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MEET THE CHIEF GUEST - Dr. MOHAN ALVA



Dr. M. Mohan Alva was born in an agrarian family on 31st May, 1952 in Mijar, a small village near Moodabidri. Dr. Alva had his primary education in his native village Mijar and later he secured his Bachelor's degree in Ayurvedic Medicine in Udupi. With his hard work and dedication, he has become an icon in the field of Education, Indian medicine, Sports and Culture to name a few. Today, he is an established leader in all these and more. The true self of Dr. Mohan Alva is an embodiment of humaneness and selfless service. These values he has been able to spread in the 22,000 youth who are studying under various institutions of Alva's Education Foundation. He is known for his charitable work and concern for the poor in the true sense, cutting across Caste, Creed, Sex and Religion. His charitable work reflects a spectrum of areas prominently in his concern of those afflicted with HIV, those with merit

and cannot pursue education for want of money, Inculcating excellence in sports, He has worked for the upkeep and spread of Indian classical and traditional music and dance. His concern for growth of Kannada literature is legendary.

Moodabids being a small town, the people around it found it very difficult to get quality higher education in profession and non professional courses. Realizing this difficulty, Dr. Alva established ALVA'S EDUCATION FOUNDATION the year 1995, Under this foundation, he thought of establishing institutions providing basic education starting from Pre-University, Degree courses in faculties like Arts, Commerce and Science, in general then he also established institutions in Medical sciences in particular Ayurveda, Homoeopathy, Naturopathy and Yoga and Graduate level and Post Graduate coursesin Ayurveda and Para Medical Courses like Nursing, Physiotherapy and Medical Laboratory Technology along with this realizing the need for standard Technical education, he has started a $full-fledged\,Engineering\,college\,called\,Alva's\,Institute\,of\,Engineering\,\&\,Technology.$

Altogether 22,000 students are getting quality education at different institutions under Alva's Education Foundation under the leadership of Founder Chairman Dr. M. Mohan Alva. The teaching methodology here does not limit to the syllabus, but it is extended to make student perfect by training regularly under personality development, cultural activities, sports and games, fine arts and other social training towards national Integration under trained faculty, is specially executed by Dr. Mohan Alva. Indeed, it is a unique plan of providing complete education which is rare and one of its kind, provided under Alva's Education Foundation setup. It is extremely important to stress here the fees charged in Alva's Institutions are nominal to a fault. All the institutions are running without any profit motive.

Alva's Foundation has LKG to 10th standard in English medium and from 6th to 10th standard in Kannada medium approved by Govt. of Karnataka. At present, all the students studying in Kannada Medium are benefitted by free education provided by Alva's Education Foundation.

Student Adoption Scheme:

A step ahead from providing education is 'Free Education' with free Food and Accommodation and total fees exemption under Adoption Scheme have been offered by Dr. Alva all these years. Out of 26,000 students, 4500 students are brought under this scheme. The Adopting scheme runs through the graduation. This scheme is open to all the deserving students irrespective of their Caste, Creed, Religion, Community etc. An average of Rs. 70,000 will be spent each student coming under free education Scheme. Needless to say that financial burden to Dr. Alva to keep this noble cause going runs to millions. The beneficiaries chosen are under four categories namely:

High Distinction/Meritorious Category: Students who score more than 95% in the qualifying examination are included in this category. At present nearly 2000 students are getting this benefit with free food and accommodation with education.

In spite of the risks and uncertainties, he took a bold step of establishing 'Alva's Health Centre' a well equipped hospital with 200 beds and 50 beds free wards. The hospital has well experienced doctors and multi-speciality medical services such as Allopathy, Ayurveda, Homeopathy, Physiotherapy, Naturopathy and Yoga.

Alvas Shobha Vana: This is an Herbal garden with priceless medicinal plants. Herbal Garden is spread across $100\,\mathrm{acres}$ of land having 58 separate vana's or sub sections.

Alva's Pharmacy: Alvas Pharmacy was established by Dr Mohan Alva in 1981 for providing genuine, classically manufactured Ayurvedic Medicines.

Alva's Virasat - A cultural extravaganza: Dr. Alva's crowning achievement in the field of dance and music is Alva's Virasat. It is a National Cultural Festival held in Moodabidri every January for the last 29 years.

Alva's Nudisiri: Generally it is felt that the youth have little or no chance to participate and express themselves at district and state level in the Literary Meets. Dr. Alva, realizing these lacunae, started organizing Mini Kannada Sahithya Sammelana, a Literary Meet called 'ALVA'S NUDISIRI' exclusively for the age group of 16-24 yrs. This is regularly held in the last week of November every year.

Independence Day: Every year, Alva's Education Foundation celebrates a very unique Independence Day function at Vanajakshi K. Sripathi Bhat Stage. Over 40,000 audience including students, staff and parents are seen in an inimitable enthusiasm, exhibiting unity and strength, and thereby paying a mass tribute to our country.

Scouts and Guides International cultural Jamboree was held in Moodabidri

Awards and Honours

- Best Talented Youth in the World by Oxford University, U.K. 1980.
- Karnataka Natak Academy Award 1998.
- Aryabhata Rajatha Prashasti –2000.
- Rajyotsava Prashasti by Government of Karnataka 2005
- Sri. M. Vishweshwarayya Award-2001.
- "Kannada Shree" by All India 70th Kannada Sahithya Sammelana held at Belgaum 2002.
- In April 2008 awarded with 'Basavashri' Prashati by his holiness Shri Thontadarya Swamiji.
- In May 2008 'Vijayashri' Prashasthi by his holiness Shri Pejawar Swamiji and in June 2008 awarded with 'Shri ShriVijayindraPuraskara' by his holiness Shri Shri Raghavendra Swamiji of Mantralaya.
- Honorary Doctorate by Mangalore University in 2010.

Academic Bodies

- As a member of the Senate of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore, 2012-2016
- Syndicate Member of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Banglauru (2006-09) by the Governor of Karnataka.
- Present Syndicate member of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangaluru nominated by the Governor of Karnataka
- C.C.I.M. Member for last 10 years (2007-2017) by Central Council for Indian Medicine, New Delhi.
- Member of Karnataka Knowledge Commission by Government of Karnataka headed by Dr. Kasturi Rangan since 2013.
- President Karnataka unaided PU college management Association in 2021

Parent Father Late M. Ananda Alva Mother Late Mrs. Sundari Alva

Wife Late Mrs. Shoba Alva

Children: Mr. Vivek Alva, Dr. Vinay Alva

MEET THE INSTALLATION OFFICER - ASSISTANT GOVERNOR ZONE 2, RI DIST 3181 2025-26 - RTN PHF CHINNAGIRI GOWDA H.C. (ROTARY CLUB OF MANGALORE SUNRISE)



Born and brought up from HOLALU Village, Near MANDYA. Educational Qualification: : B.E, (Civil Engg.) (1979-1984) from P.E.S College of Engineering, Mandya. Mysore University, M.Tech., (Industrial Structures) (2002-2004) & Ph.D., (Civil Engg.) from NITK-SURATKAL, KARNATAKA, INDIA. Specialization: Earthquake Engineering, Employment Experience: Karnataka Govt. Polytechnic. Govt. Polytechnic, Bantwala & Karkala as Selection Grade Lecturer Teaching Engineering subjects (35.5 years). Was Principal of KPT Mangaluru. Blessed with Two Childern Dr. Navyashree, MD Gen. Medicine, Senior Resident, Manipal Hospital Bengaluru and Dr. Chandan C Gowda Ph.D., Civil Engineering, Working for Atkins's London, UK. He joined Rotary Club of Mangalore Sunrise in the year

1996. He was the President of the Club in 2005-2006 and 2022 -23. He was the Zonal Lieutenant Zone 2 RI Dist 3181 in year 2023-24. He is a Paul Harris Fellow. He is married to Mrs. Prema.

MEET THE GUEST OF HONOR, ZONAL LIEUTENANT RI DIST 3181 2025-26 ZONE 2 RTN PP PHF RAVI JALAN



Rtn PP PHF Ravi Jalan had his early education at Mangaluru. He did his B.Com degree from St. Aloysius College in 1996. He joined his family business of logistics in the year 1996. He is the Proprietor of Raj Logistics and Prasad Motors. He joined Rotary Club of Mangalore Central in the year 1998-99. He was the President of the Club in the year 2000-2001. He was the RI Dist 3181 District Rotaract Committee Chairman in the year 2020-21. He was an Interactor and Rotaractor in the past. He was the President of the Rajasthani Association Mangaluru. He is the Co-ordinator of the D K Tanker Owners Association. He was also the Chairman of the Rotary Orphanage Olympics Committee. He is happily married to Ann Neelam and they have 2 children

-Annet Dhristi and Annet Shristi.

President 2024-25 Speaks



Dear Rotarians,

The thanks giving family dinner meeting was well attended and I had the occasion to thank all the members of the club for the success of the Rotary Year 24-25 by our club. The release of this bulletin is timed to coincide with the installation Ceremony of office bearers of the Club for 2025-26. I would like to welcome the Chief Guest Dr. Mohan Alva, Installation Officer Rtn PP PHF Chinnagiri Gowda and Guest of Honor Rtn PP PHF Ravi Jalan to the Installation. The President Elect Rtn Bhasker Rai Katta, Secretary Elect Rtn Vikas Kotian, Treasurer Elect Rtn PHF Rajesh Seetarama

and all the office bearers of 2025-26 are wished all the best!

Yours in Rotary

Rtn. PHF Brian Pinto

President 2024-25

President 2025-26 Speaks



Dear Rotarians,

At the very outset, I would like to thank all of you for reposing faith in me and electing me as the 39th President of this remarkable club. The team of 2024-25 led by Club President Rtn PHF Brian Pinto, Club Secretary Rtn PHF Rajesh Seetharama and Club Treasurer Rtn PDG MD Dr. B. Devdas Rai have done exceedingly well and brought the Diamond Plus Award to our Club. I congratulate them on their achievement! They have raised the flag and the expectation on our team comprising of my self. Club Secretary Elect Rtn Vikas Kotian, Club Treasurer Elect Rtn PHF Rajesh Seetharama and all our Office Bearers. We will live upto your expectations. I welcome all our Club members, Chief

Guest Dr. Mohan Alva, Installation Officer Rtn PHF Chinnagiri Gowda and Guest of Honor Rtn PP PHF Ravi Jalan to the function.

Yours in Rotary Rtn. Bhasker Rai Katta President 2025-26

Secretary's Report



The following activities were conducted by our club from 28.06.2025.

28.06.2025 - The Club Family thanks Giving dinner meeting was held at Hotel Kudla Pavilion at 8.00 p.m.

28.06.2025 - Rtn M.V. Mallya and Rtn/Rtr PH Darryl Steven DSouza were felicitated in the Club Family Dinner Meeting held at Hotel Kudla at 9.00 p.m.

28.06.2025 - Rtn PP PHF Ravi Jalan and Ann Neelam Jalan were fecilitated by the club in the family Dinner Meeting of the Club held at Hotel Kudla at 9.15 p.m.

28.06.2025 - Rtn Dr. Paul Simon was inducted to the Club in the Club family Dinner meeting held at Hotel Kudla Pavilion at 9.30 p.m.

29.06.2025 - Our Club President Elect Rtn Bhasker Rai Katta attended the Installation Ceremony of RI Dist 3181 Governor 25-26 Rtn M.D. Ramakrishna in a function held at Mysore Socials Mysuru at 11.00 a.m.

Yours in Rotary
Rtn. PHF Rajesh Seetharama
Secretary 2024-25

Between you and me...



Dear Rotarians,

A Glorious year 2024-25 has drawn to a close and the Rotary year 2025-26 is upon us. Our Club bagged the DIAMOND PLUS AWARD (the highest award for a club in RI), Excellence Award for Club Bulletin, Excellence Award for Chinnara Utsava in 24-25. The Award for Centor has given a shot in the arm for me. I have been editing Centor continuously since several years. Centor provides full information about our Club activities and this has helped our Club bag several awards. I thank all our members for the co-operation rendered in the

successful publication of weekly issues of Centor. I Seek the same co-operation in the future also! I thank Rtn M.V. Mallya for sponsoring the July Issues of Centor.

Yours in Rotary
Rtn. PDG MD Dr. B. Devdas Rai,
Editor

I THANK ALL THE MEMBERS OF ROTARY CLUB OF MANGALORE CENTRAL FOR THE SUCCESSFUL ROTARY YEAR 2024-25 CLUB PRESIDENT 2024-25 RTN PHF BRIAN PINTO

Addressing the members of our Club in the Club Thanks Giving family dinner meeting of our club held at Hotel Kudla Pavilion Balmatta on Saturday, the 28th of June 2025 at 8.00 p.m. Club President Rtn PHF Brian Pinto thanked all the Club members for whole hearted co-operation in ensuring that the Rotary Year 2024-25 was a very successful year for our club. He welcomed the gathering and conducted the proceedings. He also felicitated club members who have helped out in 2024-25. Rtn Nagendra rendered the invocation. Club Secretary Rtn PHF Rajesh Seetharama made the announcements. The hosts of dinner, Rtn PHF PP Rajtopal Rai (who along with Ann Poornima family co-hosted the dinner), Rtn PP PHF Chandrahas Adyanthaya (who alongwith Ann Geetha family co-hosted the dinner) and Rtn Jagannath Shetty (who alongwith Ann Sukanya family co hosted the dinner) released the weekly Centor. They were The formal meeting was followed by fellowship (sponsored by Club President Elect Rtn Bhasker Rai Katta. Dinner. Also present on stage were Rtn PP PHF K.M. Hegde (AG Z 2 RI Dist 3181 2024-25) and Rtn PP Rajesh Shetty

RTN/RTR PHF DARRYL STEVEN DSOUZA WAS FELICITATED BY THE CLUB IN THE CLUB FAMILY DINNER MEETING HELD AT HOTEL KUDLA ON SATURDAY, THE 28th of 2026 at 9.00 a.m.

Rtn/Rtr PHF Darryl Steven DSouza was felicitated by the Club on assuming charge as the Rotaract South Asia Office Multi District Information Organization President 25-26 in the monthly Family Dinner Meeting of the club held at Hotel Kudla Pavilion at 9.00 p.m. Many Congratulations Rtn/Rtr Darryl!

RTN M.V. MALLYA WAS FELICITATED BY THE CLUB IN THE CLUB FAMILY DINNER MEETING HELD AT HOTEL KUDLA, PAVILION, BALMATTA ON SATURDAY, THE 28th OF JUNE 2025 AT 9.00 P.M.

Rtn M.V. Mallya was felicitated by our club in the family dinner meeting of our club for June held at Hotel Kudla Pavilion, Balmatta on Saturday, the 28th of June 2025 at 9.00 p.m. for achievement in Public Image. We congratulate Rtn M.V. Mallya on his achievement!

RTN PP PHF RAVI JALAN AND ANN NEELAM JALAN WERE FELICITATED IN THE CLUB FAMILY DINNER MEETING HELD AT HOTEL KUDLA PAVILION, BALMATTA ON SATURDAY, THE 28th OF JUNE 2025 AT 9.15 P.M.

Rtn PP PHF Ravi Jalan (Zonal Lieutenant RI Dist 3181 Zone 2, 2025-26) and Ann Neelam Jalan were felicitated by the club in the club family dinner meeting of the club held at Hotel Kudla Pavilion Balmatta on Saturday, the 28th of June 2025 at 9.15 p.m. for help rendered by uploading relevant club information to the concerned. Rotary Authorities. We congratulate Rtn PP PHF Ravi Jalan and Ann Neelam for their achievement!

RTN MD RAMAKRISHNA (ROTARY CLUB OF MYSORE MIDTOWN) INSTALLED AS THE RI DIST 3181 GOVERNOR 2025-26 IN A FUNCTION HELD AT MYSORE SOCIALS AT MYSURU ON SUNDAY, THE 29th OF JUNE 2025 AT 11.00 A.M.

Rtn MD Ramakrsihna (Rotary Club of Mysore Midtown) was installed as the RI Dist 3181 Governor 2025-26 in a function held at Mysore Socials Mysuru on Sunday, the 29th of June 2025 at 11.00 a.m. The Chief Guest was RI Dist 3181 Governor 24-25 Rtn MPHF Vikram Datta. Our Club was represented by Club President 25-26 Rtn Bhasker Rai Katta

RTN DR. PAUL SIMON IS INDUCTED TO OUR CLUB IN THE CLUB FAMILY DINNER MEETING HELD AT HOTEL KUDLA ON SATURDAY, THE 28th OF JUNE 2025 AT 9.30 P.M.

Rtn Dr. Paul Simon (Classification Medicine - Radio Therapy) was inducted to our club by Assistant Governor Zone 2, RI Dist 3181 2025-25 Rtn PP PHF K.M. Hegde and RI Dist 3181 Counsellor 2024-25 Rtn PDG MD Dr. B. Devdas Rai in the Club Family Dinner Meeting held at Hotel Kudla Pavilion Balmatta on Saturday, 28th of June 2025 at 9.30 p.m. With the addition of him to the club, the strength of the club is 56 now. we welcome him to the club!

Photo Gallery



Release of Centor by the Hosts of the Family thanks giving Dinner Meeting of the Club.

Felicitations of Rtn M.V. Mallya and Rtn/Rtr PDRR PHF Darryl Steven DSouza by our Club in the Family Thanks Giving Dinner of our Club



Photo Gallery



Felicitations of Rtn PP PHF Ravi Jalan and Ann Neelam Jalan in the Family thanks giving dinner of our Club

Rtn Raviraj Shettian was the guest of honor in the Installation Ceremony of the Rotary Club of Puttur Elite held at Puttur





RI Dist 3181 Counsellor 2024-25
Rtn PDG MD Dr. B. Devdas Rai
was the Chief Guest in the
Presidents Night of the Rotary Club
of Kinnigoli held at Kinnigoli

RI Dist 3181 Counsellor 2024-25
Rtn PDGMD Dr. B. Devdas Rai
being felicitated by the 1994 batch of
BDS Students of A.B. Shetty Institue of
Dental Sciences

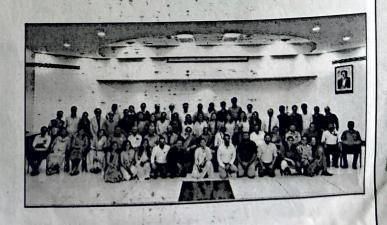


Photo Gallery



Our Club Bulletin Editor PDG MD Rtn Dr. B. Devdas
Rai receiving an Excellence Award for
Centor in the family Dinner Meeting of
the Club for June.

Rtn Ronald Mendonca, Chairman of the Chinnara Utsava 2024-25 receiving an Excellence Award for Chinnara Utsava 2024-25 in the family dinner meeting of the Club for June.





Induction of Rtn Dr. Paul Simon to
Our Club in the Family Dinner Meeting of
Our Club for June.

Our Club President Elect Rtn Bhasker Rai Katta seen in the Installation Ceremony of RI Dist 3181 Governor Rtn MD Ramakrishna at Mysuru



MEMBERS/ANNS/ANNETS/JOHNS/LORDS IN THE NEWS

Rtn PDG MD Dr. B. Devdas Rai was felicitated by the BDS Batch of 1999 AB Shetty Institute of Dental Sciences
 Mangaluru in a Special function organized in AB Shetty Institute of Dental Sciences Deralakatte on Friday,
 the 27th June 2025 at 11.00 a.m. Many Congratulations Rtn Dr. Rai!

- RI Dist 3181 Counsellor 2025-26 Rtn PDG MD Dr. B. Devda's Rai was the Chief Guest of the President's Night Programme organized by Rotary Club of Kinnigoli at Rotary Rajatha Bhavan, Kinnigoli on Monday, the 30th of June 2025 at 7.00 p.m. Many Congratulations Rtn Dr. Rai!
- Rtn PP MPHF Dr. Chandrakanth Bhat toured USA recently. Many Congratulations Rtn Dr. Bhat!
- Rtn PHF S.S. Nayak was a resource person in ICAI MSME Conclave held at Chennai on Friday, the 27th of June 2025. Many Congratulations Rtn S.S. Nayak!
- Rtn PHF S.S. Nayak was the Anchor of "Business Tonic" programme Broadcasted by Namma Kudla 24 x 7 News Channel on Sunday, 29.06.2025 at 10.00 a.m. Many Congratulations Rtn S.S. Nayak!

BIRTHDAYS

21st June 2025: John Dr. Agraj (S/o Rtn Shaji Diwakaran) 23rd June 2025: Rtn Ramdas J. 23rd June 2025: Ann Usha (W/o Rtn Saji P.R.) 25th June 2025: Annet Avanika (D/o Rtn PHF Nitin J. Shetty) 25th June 2025: John Sachin (S/o Rtn PHF S.S. Nayak) 30th June 2025: Rtn Jagannath Shetty K. 02nd July 2025: Rtn PHF Srinivas Shetty 04th July 2025: John Dr. Shishir (S/o Rtn PP MPHF Dr. Madhusudan Upadhya)

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

26th June 2025: Ann Shalini and Rtn PP PHF Prakashchandra

With Best Compliments From:

Rtn. M.V. Mallya

Member, Rotary Club of Mangalore Central

THIS MEETING

04.07.2025 - FRIDAY - HOTEL KUDLA - 7.30 P.M. - INSTALLATION OFFICE BEARERS 2025-26 THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY OF OFFICE BEARERS OF THE CLUB FOR 2025-26 WOULD BE HELD IN THE FAMILY DINNER MEETING OF OUR CLUB FOR JULY TO BE HELD AT HOTEL KUDLA PAVILION, BALMATTA ON FRIDAY, THE 04th OF JULY 2025 AT 7.30 P.M. THE CHIEF GUEST IS DR. MOHAN ALVA, CHAIRMAN ALVA'S EDUCATION FOUNDATION MOODABIDIRE. THE INSTALLATION OFFICER IS RTN PHF DR. CHINNAGIRI GOWDA, (ROTARY CLUB OF MANGALORE SUNRISE) ASSISTANT GOVERNOR, ZONE 2 RI DIST 3181 2025-26 THE GUEST OF HONOR IS RTN PP PHF RAVI JALAN (OUR CLUB) ZONAL LIEUTENANT ZONE 2, RI DIST 3181 2025-26 - PLEASE ATTEND THE MEETING WITH FAMILY

BOARD MEETING

10.7.2025 Thursday - Hotel Woodlands - 8.00 p.m. The meeting of the Board of Directors of the club for July would be held at Hotel Woodlands on Thursday, the 10th of July 2025 at 8.00 p.m. - All Board Members are requested to attend the meeting.

NEXT MEETING

11.07.2025 - FRIDAY - HOTEL KUDLA - 8.00 P.M. - BUSINESS MEETING - PLEASE ATTEND

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