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Time: 7:30 PM

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#### PRESIDENTIAL MUSINGS

**RI DIST 3181** 



Dear Fellow Rotarians and family members.

As October wraps up, let's look back at what we've achieved despite the festive season slowing us down a bit. Kudos to our team for doing us proud at the indoor sports - 2 gold and 2 silver medals! Your teamwork

and dedication really shone through.

On the Rotaract Club front, we've submitted our application to RI and are hoping for receiving Rotaract Club Charter soon and installation of the new club by next month.

#### October Highlights:

- 3 meetings, including 2 speaker meets, a business meet, and a board meet.

We've got some exciting projects lined up across various Rotary avenues. Let's keep working together to make a real difference in our community.

Thanks for your continued support and commitment.

Best regards,

Rtn PHF Sathyajith Rao, President







#### "SAMVEDA #34 - LEADERSHIP MASTERY"



28<sup>th</sup> October, 2025

In continuation of our association with Swastika National Business School, as part of series of workshops for PU students, conducted another workshop #34 on "Leadership mastery" on 28th October, 2025 at Narayana Guru PU College, Mangalore. Shri Raghavendra Holla, Author & National Trainer, JCI and Chairman of Swastika National Business School was the resource person.

#### ROTARY INFORMATION

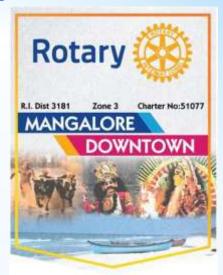
#### **CLUB BANNERS**

One of Rotary's most vibrant traditions is the exchange of club banners.

These decorative banners, often displayed at meetings and district events, are carried by Rotarians traveling abroad to exchange with other clubs.

Typically, the banners feature symbols or artistic elements that represent the club's town, region, or national culture, including handcrafted touches like embroidery, weaving, or painting.





Club Banner of
Rotary Mangalore Downtown

Many of these banners are considered artworks in their own right.

The tradition grew so popular that, in 1959, the Rotary International Board of Directors advised clubs to exercise moderation, fearing that the exchanges could become financially burdensome.

Despite this, the tradition continues today as a meaningful expression of goodwill and international friendship among Rotary members.

The Rotary archives now hold around 20,000 banners, each one reflecting a club's local pride and the strong global ties of the Rotary organization.

This exchange practice remains a cherished symbol of unity and mutual respect.

(Source: Therotarianminute.org)





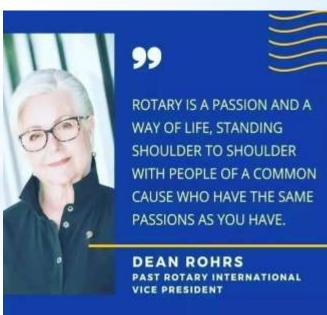
# **EVENTS THAT JUST HAPPENED**

# **ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE- PART I, II & III**



Rotary Leadership Institute- Part-I, II & III was held at Hotel President, Mysuru on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2025. The programme was hosted by Rotary Yelanduru Greenway.









## **EVENTS THAT JUST HAPPENED**

"ಬಲೆ ಗೊಬ್ಬುಗ" – "BALE GOBBUGA"



The *Downtowners* delivered a stellar performance at the Zonal Indoor Competition – Bale Gobbuga, held on 12th October 2025 at Fr. Muller's Indoor Stadium. The event, hosted by the Rotary Club of Mangalore Hillside, witnessed enthusiastic participation and vibrant sportsmanship from Rotarians across the region.

Our club members made us proud by securing several honours: Y Rtn. Jayaraj K. clinched the Gold Medal in Chess, showcasing remarkable strategic skill and composure.

The dynamic badminton duo Rtn. Ganesh Prabhu & Rtn. Rajesh Shetty triumphed with a Gold Medal in Badminton Doubles (40–50 age category), displaying superb coordination and competitive spirit.

Rtn. Rajesh Shetty further added to the medal tally by bagging a Silver Medal in Badminton Singles (50–60 age category).

Adding youthful energy to the event, our talented *Annet* Anvitha Joshi, daughter of Rtn. Prabhat Joshi, gave a spirited performance in Badminton Singles (Below 14 years) and also teamed up with Rtn. Rajesh Shetty in the Mixed Doubles category, putting up a commendable fight.

It was truly a day of pride and joy for the *Downtowners*, celebrating teamwork, talent, and the spirit of Rotary fellowship both on and off the court!

## The Downtowners

#### **BUSINESS TONIC- EPISODE No. 338**







Our member **Rtn Ganesh Bhandary** was one of the panelist in the "Business Tonic- Episode No.338 on the Topic –Panel Discussion on Funding & Marketing Support for MSMEs" telecasted on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2025 and retelecasted on 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2025 on Namma Kudla 24X7 Youtube channel

## Meeting on Sports development in Mangalore





Under the leadership of our member Rtn Umesh Gatty A., a delegation had a meeting with Mr.Arun Machayya, Vice President of Karnataka Kreeda Pradhikara at Mangala stadium on 28th October, 2025 and discussed on the issues relating to sport's development in Mangalore

## The Downtowners

# Karnataka State Bench Press Championship-2025









Sri Shakthi Bharath Gymnasium, Thokkottu under the aegis of Karnataka Powerlifting Association & Dakshina Kannada Powerlifting Association organised Karnataka State level Sun-Junior, Junior, Senior & Masters 'Bench Press Championship -2025' at Gatty Samaja Bhavana, Thokkottu from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2025. Our member **Rtn Umesh Gatty A**., was one of the Chief Guest on the occasion.

## International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking



As part of "International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking-2025" celebration, Ullal Taluk Level National Mental Health Programme was held at Parijnana PU College, Someshwara on 27.10.2025. Our member Rtn Dr Savitha Gatty also spoke on the occasion.





## The Downtowners

Distribution of Scholarships

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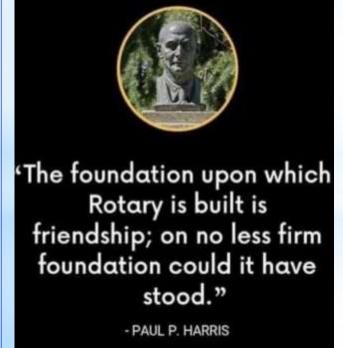
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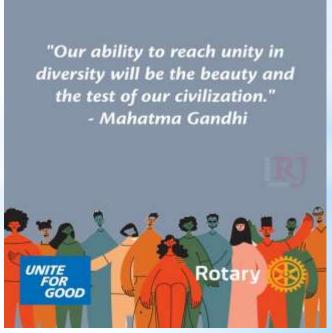
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On the occasion of Annual Assembly of Rastriya Vishwa Brahmin Samajoddharaka Sabha held in October, 2025 at Kalikamba Vinayaka Temple, Mangalore, our member **Rtn Ganesh Bhandary** was one of the Chief Guest.

On the occasion, 37 students were given scholarship and Dr. S.P. Gurudas was honoured.











## BIRTHDAY WISHES TO OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS

Rtn PARINEETHA SHENOY	3RD NOV
JON PRATHUL PRASHANTH KOTIAN	10th NOV
S/O. RTN. PRASHANTH KOTIAN	
Jon.PRANAY SUVARNA	11th NOV
S/o Rtn RAHUL SUVARNA	
Jon.ANIRUDH SHETTY,	14th NOV
S/o Rtn RAJESH SHETTY	
Rtn UMESH GATTY A.	17th NOV
Ann SAHANA GANESH,	17th NOV
W/o Rtn GANESH M.P.	17th NOV
Ann RANJANA HEGDE,	19th NOV
W/o Rtn PRABATH JOSHI	19th NOV
Rtn PRASHANT NAYAK	20th NOV
JON SATHVIK TANAY HANDE,	
S/o Rtn SANDEEP HANDE P.	24th NOV
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# WEDDING ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO OUR MEMBERS

NAME	DATE OF ANNIVERSARY
Rtn. PRASHANTH KOTIAN & Ann. PRITHVI KOTIAN	7 <sup>th</sup> NOV
Rtn. EKANATH DANDEKERI & Rtn ASHALATHA DANDEKERI	27 <sup>h</sup> NOV



#### **NOTABLE ROTARIANS AROUND THE WORLD**

# Famous Rotarians





Könosuke Matsushita Founder of Matsushita Rotary Club of Osaka, Japan

Konosuke Matsushita was a Japanese industrialist who founded Panasonic, Japan's largest consumer electronic company.

Konosuke lent his brother in law a factory to start his own business that became Sanyo Electric.

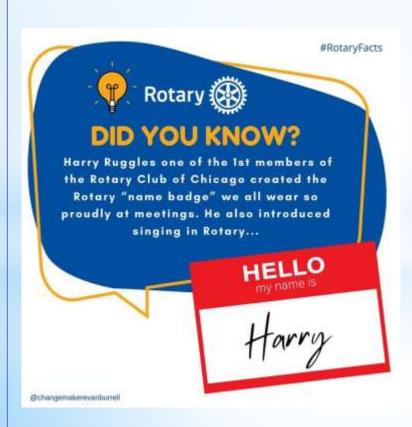
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#### RTN KONUSUKE MATSUSHITA

Konosuke Matsushita (November 27, 1894 – April 27, 1989) was an Japanese business magnate best known as the founder of Panasonic, Japan's largest Electronics Company selling products under the brand names National, Panasonic, Technics and Ouasar.

Konosuke Matsushita was the member of Rotary Club of Osaka, Japan

#### **ROTARY HISTORY**





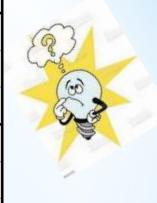


## **BRAIN TEASERS**

#### **SUDOKU**

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# ROTARY QUIZ

- 1) What is the First official motto of Rotary International?
- 2) Which is the largest Rotary Club in the World in terms of membership?
- 3) Which is the largest Rotary Club in India?
- 4) What is the predecessor to The Rotary Foundation (TRF)?
- 5) Who was the first President of the first Rotary Club (Founded in Chicago in the year 1905)

#### RIDDLES

Sam and Sally have four daughters.

Each of their daughters has one brother.

How many children do Sam and Sally have in total?

#### **ROTARY IN NEWS**

#### DISTRICT EXCELLENCE AWARD - 2024-25!!!!

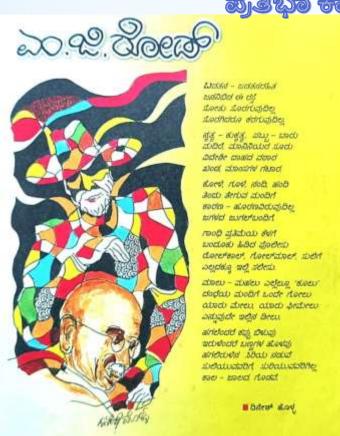


#### PROUD MOMENT FOR RID 3181

Thrilled to share that Rotary International has honoured our District 3181 with the prestigious 2024-25 District Excellence Award!

This recognition celebrate districts where at least half the clubs earn the Club Excellence Award — and we did it with style!

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The Kannada poem "ಎo.ಜಿ.ರೇಡ" penned by our Honorary member Rtn Dinesh Holla, which was earlier published in "Taranga", Kannada Weekly.

"Imagination is the beginning of creation. You imagine what you desire, you will what you imagine, and at last, you create what you will."

— George Bernard Shaw





## October reflections

#### "UNITE FOR GOOD"















Rtn. PDG Major Donor Dr. Devdas Rai, a distinguished member of the Rotary Club of Mangalore Central, graced our weekly meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2025, as the guest speaker. He delivered a captivating address on the topic "Unite For Good," where he masterfully articulated the nuances between the Rotary International theme and the presidential message. His talk was not only deeply informative but also highly thought-provoking, leaving a lasting impression on all attendees.

"It is the long history of humankind (and animal kind, too) that those who learned to collaborate and improvise most effectively have prevailed."

# October reflections

#### "GST-2.0 - REVOLUTIONARY TAX REFORMS"













During our weekly meeting on 14th October, 2025, our in-house speaker Rtn Rajesh Shetty delivered an insightful talk on "Revolutionary Tax Reforms – GST 2.0." He eloquently explained the intricacies of the latest GST reforms introduced by the Government on 21st September, 2025, highlighting their far-reaching implications on businesses and the general public. His presentation offered a clear understanding of the new framework, shedding light on how these changes aim to simplify compliance, enhance transparency, and strengthen the nation's tax ecosystem.

"The important thing about tax reform is you make the tax code less complicated, easier for people to understand."

- Grover Norquist.



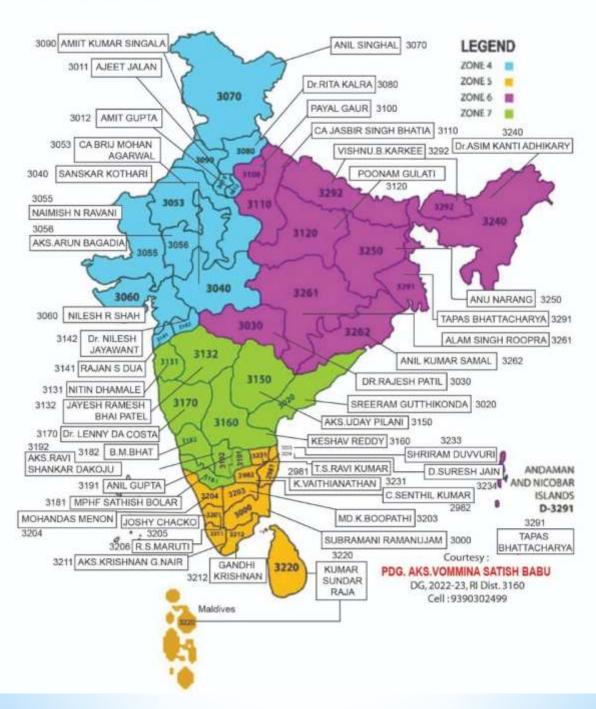


#### ROTARY INFORMATION

#### **ROTARY DISTRICT GOVERNORS OF INDIA – 2026-27**



#### Governors 2026 - 2027





#### ROTARY INFORMATION

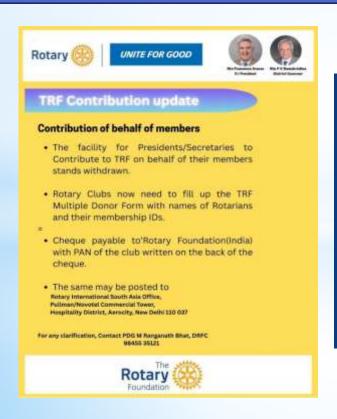
#### **TRF TRUSTEE FOR 2026-2030**



We wish you continued success in all your endeavors &

look forward to the impactful leadership and service you will bring to The Rotary Foundation & the global community. Past Rotary International Director (PRID) Rtn A.S. Venkatesh, popularly known as Venky, has been elected as TRF Trustee for the term 2026 to 2030. He is the member of Rotary Club of Chennai Mambalam. He was the Rotary International Director for the period 2021-23.

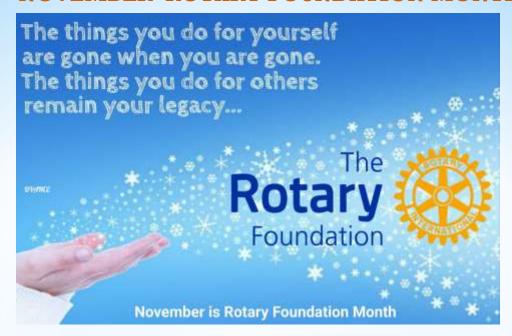
Rotary Mangalore Downtown congratulate him and wishes him all the success.







#### **NOVEMBER-ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH**



# What is your Rotary Club doing in November to celebrate and focus on The Rotary Foundation?

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. As the charitable arm of Rotary, we tap into a global network of Rotarians who invest their time, money, and expertise into <u>our priorities</u>, such as eradicating polio and promoting peace. Foundation grants empower Rotarians to approach challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition with sustainable solutions that leave a lasting impact... Strong financial oversight, a stellar charity rating, and a unique funding model mean that we make the very most of your contribution. Give and become a part of Rotary's life-changing work!

In 2025-26, our Rotary Foundation turned to 109 years. That's more than a century of Rotary members changing lives and improving communities all over the world. And that's definitely something worth celebrating.

Through our Foundation, Rotary members have supported thousands of projects to provide clean water, fight disease, promote peace, provide basic education, and grow local economies. We've also been a leader in the fight to eradicate polio worldwide. Join us in making sure that every Rotary member and people in every community know about the vital work of Rotary and its Foundation.



#### SMILE .....O.K. PLEASE



#### **BUTTER GARLIC MUSHROOM**

Saritha wanted to serve her guests 'Butter Garlic Mushrooms' for the evening party.

But she had no mushrooms and no time to buy them.

Her husband suggested, "Why don't you pick some of the wild mushrooms growing down by the nearby stream?"

"Some wild mushrooms are poisonous?"

"I see squirrels eating them and they're OK."

So Saritha picked a bunch and washed, sliced and cooked them for the dinner.

Then she gave a little of the mushroom to Brutus, their dog.

Brutus ate every bite. She watched the dog. The wild mushrooms hadn't affected him.

The meal was a great success.

After everyone had finished, her daughter came in and whispered in her ear, "Mum, Brutus is dead.

"Saritha signaled her to silence and decided what to do.

The guests were dear to her.

She called the doctor and told him what had happened.

The doctor said, "That's bad, but I can take care of it. But please keep the quests calm."

Before long they heard the sirens of the ambulance.

The Paramedics and the doctor had their suitcases, syringes, and a stomach-pump.

One by one, they took each person into the bathroom, gave them an enema, and pumped out their stomach.

By midnight, the last one was done and the doctor finally left.

The hosts and the guests were all drained and weak and were sitting around the Living Room.

The daughter came in and said to her mum..."He lives at the end of our street."

"Who ?"

"The guy who ran over Brutus with his motorbike."







"SNEHA SOURABHA"- ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE-2025-26"

SOURABHA". "SNEHA District Conference for the year 2025-26 of RID 3181 will be held from 30th January to 1st February, 2026 at Silent Shores Convention Centre, , KRS Road, Hootagalli, Mysuru. Interested members are requested to register themselves for the event. Registration may be made by visiting conference website:

https://districtconference3181.in/.

The Registration charges are as under:

Rotarian-Rs.4,500/-

Rotarian with Spouse-Rs.7,500/-

Ann - Rs.3,500/-

Annet - Rs. 2,000/-.

The above rates will be revised from 10<sup>th</sup> November onwards.



'ಕಾಣಿಕೆ' - THE ROTARY FOUNDATION SEMINAR



"**ಕಾಣಿಕ** - The Rotary Foundation Seminar" for Rotary International District 3181 will be organised on 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at The Puttur Club, Puttur.

The event is hosted by Rotary Club Puttur. Interested members are requested to register for the event. 19 Rotary Club Puttur.

#### **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION-TAIPEI-2026**

Rotary International Convention-2026 will be held from 13<sup>TH</sup> to 17<sup>TH</sup> June, 2025 at Taipei. The registrations for the said event is already open. Interested members may register for the event.





#### "Khel Milan" - RAFFLE DRAW



DG Ramki launches the Raffle Ticket for District Sports Rotary- "Khel Milan" at the venue of Rotary Kambala held on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2025. Seeking support of all Rotarians in raising funds by way of buying Raffle Tickets.

Only 100 tickets on sale @ Rs 5000 each.

To Buy ONE, now.- Call 9740560862

Raffle ticket entitles FREE entry to Fellowship Dinner on 6th Dec 2025.

Draw is on 06/12/2025





"ROTARY KREEDA BHANDHAVYA-2025"

"Rotary Kreeda Bhandhavya-2025", the Zonal Outdoor Sports Meet will be held 2<sup>nd</sup> November, Mangala 2025 at Stadium. Mangalore. Rotary Mangalore Central will be hosting the event.

outdoor Various like event Running, Walking, Long jump, shot put, relay is being held under various age categories. Special events like ball throw and lemon & spoon race will be held for Annets & Johns. Finale of the events will be tug of war conducted at the end of the programme.

including Members. family requested members are participate in large numbers.



#### "TREASURE HUNT -2025"



Rotary Mangalore City conducting "Treasure Hunt- 2025" for Rotarians of RI District 3181 on 23rd November. 2025 at Mangalore. The event is for 4-Wheelers only.

Entry Fee is Rs. 1,000/-.

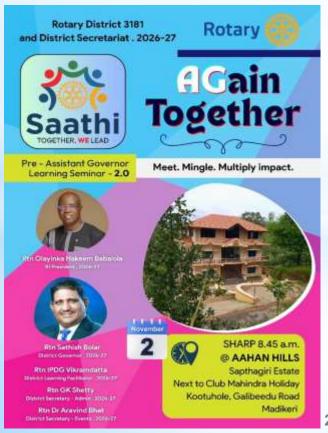


"SERGEANT-AT-ARMS LEARNING SEMINAR"



"Sergeant-At-Arms (SAA)
Learning Seminar" is being organised on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 for the incoming District Sergeant-At-Arms at New Delhi as part of various training programmes being conducted by Rotary Training Institute-2025 for Zone 4, 5, 6 & 7.

#### "PRE-AGLS 2.0"



"Pre-Assistant Governor's learning Seminar – 2.0" is being organised on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2025 at Aahan Hills, Madikeri for the newly elected Assistant Governors for the year 2026-27.



"ಚಿಣ್ಣರ ಚಿಲಿಪಿಲಿ"



"ಚಿಣ್ಣರ ಚಿಲಿಪಿಲಿ", A Children's Festival-2025 is being organised 9th November. 2025 on University College, Mangalore by Rotary Mangalore Seaside. The event is open for all the children Kindergarten to **Various** Standard. events in nursery rhymes, fancy dress, tricycle race, painting, elocution, singing, dancing, memory test etc will be held.



## "MANN KI BAAT"

Our D.G. Ramki's 'Mann Ki Baat"-Episode No:4 on the topic: "Our Foundation- How to get best returns out of our contributions" will be telecasted live on 3<sup>rd</sup> November from 8.00 PM to 9.00 PM on Google Meet.

Members are requested to log in to the event.



# FORTHCOMING ROTARY EVENTS "RIDE FOR ROTARY- 10<sup>TH</sup> EDITION"



"Ride for Rotary" – 10th Edition

Embark on a spectacular 16-day adventure, beginning on 5th January 2026 from the sun-kissed shores of Vizag and culminating on 21st January 2026 at the regal streets of Mysuru. The journey winds through Hampi and Mangaluru, unveiling the breathtaking Agumbe Rainforest, its mist-laden curves, and enchanting wild canopies. Join this epic ride of camaraderie, exploration, and purpose.

"ESRAG-SA MEGA QUIZ SERIES – 2025-26"

Environment Sustainability Rotary Action Group – South Asia (ESRAG-SA) is organising 'ESRAG\_SA Mega Quiz Series- 2025-26, a online quiz contest held virtually live on 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2025, 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2025 and 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2026.

It is open to all Rotarians, Rotaractors, RCC, Interactors (Only ESRAG). Participants include members from Africa, Middle East, SE Asia, Oceania and South Asia.



#### "ROTARY ZONAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT"



Rotary Zonal Cricket Tournament for Zone 2 &3 will be held on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2026 at Mangalore. The event will be hosted by Rotary Club of Mangalore South.



# ANSWERS TO BRAIN TEASERS SUDOKU





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# ROTARY QUIZ

- 1) 'Service Above Self' is the First official motto of Rotary International.
- 2) Rotary Club of Seattle. It has more than 600 members. It also happens to be the fourth oldest Rotary Club in the world.
- 3) 'Rotary Club of Vijayawada Mid-Town' is the largest Rotary Club in India. It also happens to be the largest Rotary Club outside United States of America.
- 4) 'The Endowment Fund' is the predecessor to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) stared in the year 2017 by the them Rotary International President Rtn Arch C. Klumph.
- 5) Rtn Silvester Schiele is the first President of the first Rotary Club (Founded in Chicago in the year 1905)

### RIDDLES

'Five'

