



## A New Dawn of Service: Meet Your 2026-27 Board!

Fellow Rotarians,

A new Rotary year is on the horizon, bursting with potential and promise! As we stand at the threshold of 2026-27, we are filled with immense enthusiasm to usher in a fresh chapter of service, fellowship, and impact for our beloved Mysore community.

This edition is especially significant as we proudly introduce the dynamic team that will steer our club through this exciting journey. Our newly inducted Board of Directors for 2026-27 is a vibrant blend of experienced

leaders and enthusiastic new voices, each bringing unique talents and a shared commitment to the ideals of Rotary.

Join us in extending a warm Rotary welcome to these dedicated individuals. Their energy and vision are the catalysts that will drive our club to greater heights, inspiring innovative projects and deepening our community connections. Let's rally behind them as we embark on another remarkable year of "Creating Hope in the World."

Let's meet the team!

## The One & Only: Rtn. Ta.Na Mohan



A Rotarian whose name carries as much charisma as his personality. Born and brought up in Hassan. Mohan is a true standout in his own right. A graduate in Electronics and Communication Engineering, he's spent the last 20 years as a trusted LIC Developmental Officer, leading a dedicated team of 50 advisors.

His wife, who is the real BOSS to him, most lovingly calls him her "Jeevan Saathi, Jeevan Anand - Zindagi ke saath bhi, zindagi ke baad bhi." Together, they

are proud parents to Pratham Adithya, who is now studying engineering in Surathkal.

A Rotarian since 2011, Mohan has brought his leadership and creativity to our Midtown family, serving as Editor and President Elect. He's also an active member of literary and social groups in Namma Mysuru and has a hidden talent that could give our very own REAL star "Uppi" a friendly competition - yes, he's a brilliant actor on stage too! With a passion for reading autobiographies and a heart full of service, Mohan brings energy, humor, and dedication to everything he does.

## From the Editor's Desk

As I take up the mantle of editor for our club's newsletter for the year 2026-27, my heart is filled with immense gratitude.

My sincere thanks to President-Elect Rtn. Mohan for bestowing upon me this wonderful opportunity to serve the club in this new capacity. I am honored by your trust.

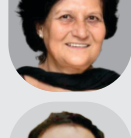
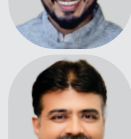
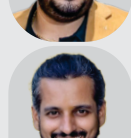
A very special thanks to Rtn. Aiyanna, whose belief in me has been a constant source of strength. Thank you for your unwavering support and invaluable guidance.

This inaugural issue would not have been possible without the gracious cooperation of our newly elected 2026-27 Board members and their spouses. Thank you for your time and contributions.

Finally, a heartfelt note to my pillars of strength—my parents and family. Thank you for your endless support and tolerance. I request you to bear with me a little longer, as this journey has just begun!







**The Innovation Architect: Rtn. Rakesh Babu.KL**

A Rotarian who truly lives at the intersection of creativity and community. Rakesh started his journey in the fragrant world of his family's Agarbatti business, and today, he's the driving force behind Innomantra Consulting—where he doesn't just talk innovation, he architects it. For over two decades, he has trained leaders from Fortune 500 companies and co-created innovation methods that have shaped over 1,500 minds worldwide.

But here's where it gets even more interesting. Rakesh is a Rotarian through and through, serving since 2000 and now leading as President of Rotary Mysore Midtown. And he brings his unique flair to everything—whether he's scripting cartoons for Rotary, emceeding major conferences, or cheering just as passionately on the cricket field. At heart, Rakesh is a family man, sharing laughter and love with his wife Aruna and daughter Saanvi. He's a beautiful blend of sharp intellect and joyful spirit—a true believer in balancing impact with joy, and innovation with heart.

**Built on Strength, Driven by Heart: Elizar Milton**

A proud son of Mysore and an engineer from SJCE, Elizar is a dynamic force as the founder of Milton Engineering, having built over a thousand homes in our city. But his vision extends far beyond construction. He's also a dedicated educationist, founding the Trinity Group of Institutions and Trinity International School, where he and his wife, Dr. Shama, empower the next generation. Off-site, you'll find him just as dynamic. A talented cricketer, a swimmer, and a shuttle player, he brings that same energy and direct, confident approach to everything he does. A devoted family man, father of 2 lovely kids and a proud member of our Rotary Midtown family, Elizar adapts with grace to every role—whether building homes, shaping young minds, or serving our community.



**The Man With a Vision for All- Rtn. Sulaiman Sait.**

A Rotarian who doesn't just correct vision—he creates it, both in business and in service. Rtn Sulaiman was born into the family that started Mysuru's very first optical business, and he didn't just inherit the shop—he expanded the legacy. In 1985, he pioneered specialty contact lenses here, changing how Mysuru sees the world.

But his real vision shines brightest through Rotary. A member since 1987—one of our most senior and dedicated—he's a quiet force of service. From countless eye camps for children to cataract surgery drives, he has literally brought light and sight to thousands. He currently chairs our impactful Hongirana project and even edits our newsletter with care! When he's not behind a lens, you'll find him on the court or pitch. A disciplined tennis player since 1981 and former captain of our Rotary cricket team for nine years, he plays with the same passion he serves with. In every sense, Rtn. Sulaiman Sait is a man who sees—and helps build—a brighter world for all.

**The Man Who Builds Great Workspaces & Great Vibes- Rtn JayKumar.**

A mechanical engineer by training, Jay started his journey with giants like Wipro before launching his own ventures. He's the visionary behind Workrite Interior Solutions, transforming Mysuru's offices into inspiring spaces since 2012. But Jay doesn't just create offices—he creates communities. In 2019, he co-created Wekreate Space, a vibrant coworking hub that grew from 40 seats to over 700, filling our city with joyful energy and connection. When he's not designing dream workspaces, Jay balances a family LPG business and cherished time with his wife, Thejaswini, and their two school-going superstars. He comes from a legacy of service; his father, Mr. Nagaraj, served as a Tahsildar and even worked in the PMO. In short, Jay builds businesses, designs brilliant solutions, and creates spaces where great work—and great vibes—happen naturally.



**A Heart that Cares, Repairs, and Shares - Rtn Dr Kumar**

Dr. Kumar, the present Community Service Director. A proud son of Nanjanagud and a dedicated cardiac surgeon at Mysore Jaideva, he brings over a decade of expertise in the delicate art of mending hearts—a profession he describes as an immense physical and emotional service, where a single stitch holds the balance between life and loss. His greatest strength flows from his own family. As described by his wife, Dr. Manasa, he is a

principled and kind-hearted man who never gives up, viewing his work “not as a means to wealth but as a way to give back”. By his side through every struggle, she is his constant support. And then there's six-year-old Hasini, his daughter, the joyful reason behind his every effort, who simply says, “My dad is funny, makes me laugh all the time...he's a very good doctor,makes sick people better!” When not in the operating theatre, Dr. Kumar is a doting father who gangs up with his daughter for fun, a loving husband, and a man

with diverse interests—from international politics to Netflix (though emotional dramas trouble him!). He steps into his role with deep respect for the Rotary Midtown legacy, ready to build on beautiful friendships and lifelong memories through meaningful service.

**The Salt-to-Sand Savvy: Rtn. Veeresh**

A Rotarian whose talent in business is as dependable as his heart in friendship. If you need something sold — whether it's salt, sand, cement, or real estate — Veeresh is your man. A true son of the soil, born to an agricultural family, he continues to honor his roots by conferring the "Best Agriculturist Award" to encourage hardworking farmers. In Rotary, he's been a steady anchor for years, serving in multiple board roles and especially



shining as our go-to treasurer — more than once — thanks to his sharp skills in accounts. His service extends to education too, as the current honorary secretary of Manasa Kuteera School. At home, he's a proud husband to Smt. Mallika Devi and a father to two bright sparks — Pragnya, an aspiring actor lighting up the stage, and Gagan. Dependable, dedicated, and always ready to help, Veeresh truly lives the Rotary spirit.



**A Budding Leader: Rtn. Indresh S.M.**

Welcoming a new face to our board who is already making quiet waves in our community: Rtn. Indresh S.M. Indresh first made Mysuru his home 25 years ago, and he's been enriching it ever since. By day, he's a passionate lecturer at Maharaja's College. By heart, he's an entrepreneur, running Arnava Paints & Hardware—a venture affectionately named after his young son, Arnava

Siddharth, who's currently charming UKG. But there's more! When he's not shaping young minds or running his business, Indresh loves staying active with a game of shuttle badminton, enjoying a peaceful read of the newspaper, or traveling with family. At home, he's supported by his wife, Shwetha, who is also an educator, and guided by the humble legacy of his father, a dedicated postmaster. A man of quiet dedication and warmth, Indresh steps into his new role as a board member for 2026-27 with humility and heart.

**"A Man of Principle and Purpose- —Rtn. Vinod Kumar Jain.**

A Rotarian whose life is a beautiful map of resilience, success, and kindness. A new member of our Rotary Midtown family who is already on a path of incredible service, stepping into a leadership role as one of our board members in the coming year. Vinod is the passionate force behind Sri Padma Enterprises, a journey he began as a young engineer in 1989. Through sheer dedication, he built a business known for trust and quality.



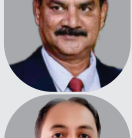
But his drive doesn't stop at work—he's a networking star who made history in BNI, earning a green lapel pin in just six months! Beyond the boardroom, Vinod has a soul tuned to old melodies and a heart that travels with purpose. He is an angel for those in need, supporting students and, with profound compassion, helping families navigate cancer treatment—a cause deeply personal to him. At his center, Vinod is a devoted family man. He finds joy in his wife Sujatha, his son Chiranth and daughter-in-law Sonica, and the twinkling eyes of his grandson, Ekansh. His story is one of remarkable strength, turning personal loss into a legacy of support for others. Rtn.Vinod Jain, another Debutant on board who truly lives by the belief of lifting others as he climbs.”



**The Steady Force: Rtn. Pavithran C.P.**

Rtn.Pavithran is a man of few words, a true team player, and a silent force with exceptional skill in administration. For an impressive 36 years, he has been the dependable backbone at Sree Gokulam Chit & Finance, where he masterfully builds networks and nurtures growth with the steady diligence of an installment plan.

A Rotarian since 2006, he brings that same quiet commitment to our Club—steadily contributing to community service, fellowship, and cultural exchanges through travel. At home in Hebbal, he is a devoted family man, sharing life's journey with his wife Seeja and their two accomplished children, Hridhik and Aparna. Rtn.Pavithran enjoys traveling, blending business with pleasure as seamlessly as he blends diligence with dedication.







### The Artisan of Healing: Dr. Manu Prasad S

A Rotarian who doesn't just treat patients—he transforms lives with the skill of an artist and the heart of a healer.

For over 20 years and 10,000 surgeries, Dr. Manu has been a master craftsman in craniofacial and cleft surgery, blending medicine with artistry and philosophy. Trained across the globe and a leader in prestigious projects here in Mysore, he's not only a surgeon but a teacher, an author, and the

compassionate force behind the Swasthya Foundation, providing free cleft care to those in need.

But behind every great person is a great story of strength. Dr. Manu's journey is deeply shaped by the resilience of his mother, Mrs. Chayamani, who raised him with unwavering courage and love. Her dedication laid the foundation for the compassionate healer and leader we see today. Beyond the operating room, Dr. Manu is a proud family man, sharing life's joys with his wife Shanthi and their two bright daughters, Saesha and Saina. In every sense, Dr. Manu Prasad S is a testament to how strength, skill, and service can come together to create not just medical masterpieces, but meaningful change.

### A Man with many Hats- Rtn. Balu Vijay S N.

Born in Mysuru, brought up in Mandya, Balu is a true whirlwind of energy and purpose. He's an entrepreneur, engineer, educator, and a devoted Rotarian, seamlessly leading ventures in healthcare, construction, and more—all while pursuing a PhD in Aerospace Materials!

But beyond the impressive titles, Balu has a zest for life that's truly inspiring. A former NCC cadet and athlete, he now channels that discipline into endurance sports, chess, and his love for reading

and meditation. He's a man of many layers: A sharp engineer, A community servant, A traveller, music enthusiast, and a proud family man.

He's supported by his wife, Kalashree, who is blessed with Koel's voice and their two wonderful children—Varshini, who's pursuing dance, and his younger son in LKG. Balu carries forward the legacy of his father, an industrialist-turned-lecturer, blending business acumen with a deep-hearted purpose. At his core, whether he's building a business, serving our community, or simply enjoying a good book, Balu does it all with a remarkable sense of integrity and joy.



### The Dynamic Egg-spert: Rtn. Venkatesh

A Rotarian who is truly the "egg-spert" in more ways than one—our very own Rtn. Venkatesh.

A commerce graduate who hatched a remarkable business empire, Venkatesh is the successful force behind Balaji and Venkateshwara Poultry Farms, and a director of the Mysore IT Park Society. He has led at the national level with the National Eggs Coordination Committee (NECC) and continues to serve the poultry community with dedication.

But his interests aren't just poultry and profits! He's also a man who enjoys the swing of a golf club and the rally of a tennis match.

As a Rotarian since 2000, he's worn almost every hat in our club—from Community Service Director to President—and has even represented us on the global stage at international conventions in Bangkok and Hamburg, adding to his travels across 22 countries.

At home, his nest is full of joy with his wife Sunita and their two sons, Kushal and Kunal, daughter-in-law and their 2 sons.

A Major Donor, a dynamic leader, and a man with a truly global outlook. He will be joining the Board in the coming year to share his expertise on Rotary seva.

### The Herbal Healer : Dr. Chaitra S.

By profession, Dr. Chaitra is an Ayurveda specialist with over a decade of experience, gently healing everything from arthritis to autism with her compassionate and holistic touch. She has dedicated the last five years especially to supporting children on the autism spectrum, helping them — and their families — thrive.

A healer, a joyful soul, and a devoted mother to her son Abhay.



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