



### Vocational Services

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#### District Projects

Clean Environment for Good  
Health

Awareness to Road Safety  
Education with Legal Awareness  
Go Green and Save Water

#### THE 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

- Is it the TRUTH ?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned ?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned ?

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Theme:** Professionalism in the Workplace - 2026 & Beyond

**Venue:** BVT, Manipal

**Speaker:** Dr. Ashok Kamath, Principal, DIET, Udupi

**Meeting Coordinator:** Rtn. Jagadeesh Pai

**Host:** Rtn. Premaleela Bhat

**Participants:** 40

### Workplace meeting – BVT, Manipal



#### Overview

As part of Vocational Service Month, the Rotary Club of Manipal organized a workplace meeting on *Professionalism in the Workplace: 2026 & Beyond*, featuring an insightful address by educationist Dr. Ashok Kamath. The session highlighted the importance of ethical professionalism, adaptability, and embracing emerging technologies such as AI in the evolving work environment. The meeting reinforced Rotary's commitment to vocational excellence and service-oriented leadership.

In observance of *Vocational Service Month*, the Rotary Club of Manipal organized a Workplace Meeting on 13 January 2026 focusing on *Professionalism in the Workplace: 2026 & Beyond*. The meeting was coordinated by Rtn. Jagadeesh Pai, Senior Advisor, Bharatiya Vikas Trust (BVT), Manipal an organization with over four decades of experience in empowering vulnerable communities through capacity building, knowledge sharing, financial inclusion, and development partnerships with government and international agencies. The meeting was graciously hosted by senior Rotarian Rtn. Premaleela Bhat and her family, marking her 89th birthday and celebrating the arrival of her second great-grandson, adding warmth and significance to the occasion.

President Rtn. Shashikala Rajavarma presided over the meeting and formally welcomed the gathering. Rtn. Dr. Pradeep S presented the Thought for the Day, followed by Rotary Information shared by Rtn. Karunakar Shetty.



Rtn. Jagadeesh Pai introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Ashok Kamath, Principal of DIET, Udupi, a distinguished educationist with extensive experience and multiple accolades, who has also collaborated with the club on several projects in the past.



In his address, Dr. Kamath delivered an insightful and forward-looking talk on professionalism in the evolving workplace. He emphasized the critical need to adapt to emerging technologies, particularly artificial intelligence, while upholding ethical values and professional integrity. Drawing from his vast experience, he highlighted the distinction between a profession and an occupation and underscored the importance of continuous learning, adaptability, and purpose-driven work in the years ahead.

The session was well received by the members, prompting reflection on the role of vocational excellence in personal growth and community service. The meeting concluded with announcements and a vote of thanks by Secretary Rtn. Vanishree Rao, followed by the National Anthem and a group photograph.



13.01.2026: Dr. Ashok Kamath, Principal DIET, Udupi was honored in the Workplace Meeting at BVT, Manipal for his achievement and contributions in the field of Education



**Thought for the Day**  
**Rtn Dr Pradeep S**

“Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding. We must strive to replace war with cooperation, hatred with love, and suspicion with trust. Only when nations and individuals recognize the interconnectedness of all humanity can we hope for a world free from violence. It is not enough to dream of peace—we must educate, inspire, and act to make it a reality” - Albert Einstein



**Rotary Information**  
**Rtn Karunakar Shetty**

Number of Clubs - 46,000+  
Districts in India - 42  
Zones in the world - 34  
Districts the world -529  
Information on the Election for District Governor: Each club is notified on the number of votes to which it is entitled as stated in the Rotary Code of Policies (Members in the Rotary Club Invoice as on 01.07.2025.  
1to 37 Members – 1 Vote  
38 to 62 Members – 2 Votes  
63 to 87 Members – 3 Votes  
88 to 112 Members – 4 Votes  
113 to 137 Members – 5 Votes  
Each club will be entitled to at least one vote. Any club with a membership of more than 25 shall be entitled to one additional vote for each additional 25 or major fraction Their of As per 15.050.2. of MOP 2025.

**New Generation Services**



17.01.2026: Rotaract club of MAHE Visited Volakadu Government school, to transform the walls of the primary school into colorful murals and infographics that educate, inspire and bring smiles to their faces. The project was executed under the leadership of Rtn. Dhwanee Agarwal, President, Rotaract Club of MAHE



17.01.2026: Interactors of Govt. PU College of Girls School conducted various activities like Essay Writing and Painting on the occasion of Road Safety Week.

## Community Services



17.01.2026: Furniture, Cupboard & Water Dispensers worth Rs. 2.25 lakh were donated to Mannampady School, Mulky. It was a joint project between our CSR partner, Manipal Dot Net Pvt Ltd., & RC Manipal. The donation was done in the memory of Late Rtn. B R Bhat (Alumini of the school), in the centenary year of the school. PDG Rtn. Dev Anand was the Chief Guest of the program. PDG Rtn Dr Jayagowri, AG Rtn. Amit Aravind. Manipal Dot Net CTO Rtn. Prashanth Bhat & Headmistress of the School Mrs. Lizzy Anitha Pinto were the resource person. Around 13 Members from RC Manipal and one Rotarian from RC Mulki attended the program.



## Theme



## Celebrations



Birthdays	
14-Jan	Annette Jayta M Kotian d/o Rtn Bharathi Kotian
17-Jan	John Deepak Kini s/o Rtn Divakar Kini
18-Jan	Annette Namratha d/o Rtn B Karunakar Shetty
22-Jan	Annette Prerna H Hegde d/o Rtn Rohit Kumar Shetty
Anniversary	
20-Jan	Rtn Balachandra and Ann Mamatha Balachandra