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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 ?

## Club Service



**18.03.2025:** Weekly Meeting

**Theme:** Joint Meeting with Rotaract Club Mahe – Club Activity Report

**Guest Speaker:** Mr. Ashok Thekkatte, Educator

**Topic:** From Vision to Reality: Making a difference in our community

**Venue:** Rotary Bhavan, Manipal

**Meeting Co-ordinator:** Rtn. Shreesha Hegde

**No. of participants:** 45

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Rtn. Shashikala Rajavarma in absence of President Rtn. Subhash Bangera. Thought for the day was presented by Rtn. Jagadish Pai. Rotary Information was presented by Rtn. Dr. Girija. Profile of Rtn. Shreesha Hegde was read in the series "I'm a Proud Rotarian".

The meeting included an inspiring session by People of Action Awardee, Mr. Ashok Thekkatte on his impactful journey in transforming rural education and bringing meaningful change to Govt Higher Primary School Puttur.

Mr. Thekkatte has achieved the Best Teacher Award & Nation Building Award from Rotary for his contribution to the community. He said that the number of Govt. Schools are diminishing due to decreasing number of admissions. In order to attract students, some of the Govt. Schools have started English Medium. On the contrary, there is increase in strength in Govt. School of Puttur. In the past 23 years, the student strength has increased from 130 to 200. The medium of education is Kannada only, but English being an important language for communication, students are given special coaching in English language.



**Thought for the Day**  
Rtn. Jagadish Pai

"You won't find the same person twice, not even in the same person." This quote means that people change over time, so even if you meet someone again, they won't be exactly the same as before. It also suggests that we ourselves are constantly evolving, so we aren't the same person we were in the past.



**Rotary Information**  
Rtn. Dr Girija

There are seven Rotary Peace Centres around the world. Symbiosis University in Pune, India will host the new Rotary Peace Centre in Asia in 2027. There are two Courses – Masters (2 years) & Certificate (3 – 12 months) Course. Eligibility for Masters Course is that the candidate should have 3 years Bachelor's degree, English speaking, Non-Rotarians, Rotaractors can apply.

## Club Service... (Cont'd)

The vision of the school is to give quality education to rural under privileged students. The students are given opportunities to excel in education, sports & cultural activity. BBC News is broadcasted to students to make them understand current affairs. School is designed to have subject wise class rooms to keep the students moving & active for the entire day. Rich teaching material is provided. Hand written Class wise Magazines are published every month, which includes articles written by students, thus encouraging creative writing. In School functions like Annual Day celebrations, the children are made dignitaries on the dais and not elders. Extracurricular courses like Yakshagana, Bharathanatya, Yoga, Drawing & Seva Classes are conducted. Extra classes are conducted for English & Computers in order to improve their soft skills. In 2012, Karnataka State Quality Assurance graded the school with “A” Grade. All this showed the dedication & of a teacher to help the needy kids.

After the inspiring session, Rtr. Akshatha, Secretary, Rotaract Club of MAHE presented the Club Activity Report showcasing their recent initiatives & contributions. Tea Drive, Dental Health, Membership Drive, Letter Head Exchange, Beach Cleaning Drive, Dol Baje, Donation Drive, Old age home visit, Blood Donation Camp – These are some of their projects.



After the presentation, Rtr. Snigda & Rtr. Nanda sang a Bollywood song. The Rotaractors exhibited the essence of serving the community and also displayed talent. It was a joy to see the youth spirit. Certificates were distributed to the Rotaractors by Rtn. K S Jaivittal, Chairman RAC MAHE.

The enriching meeting was concluded with announcements & vote of thanks by Secretary Farida Uppin, National Anthem & Group Photo.

**23.03.2025: Rotary Ignite 2025** – President Elect Learning Seminar (Pre-PELS) & Secretary Elect Learning Seminar (Pre-SELS) 2025-26 - Zone IV was organised in Hotel Country Inn, Manipal. The program was hosted by Rotary Club Manipal and was presided by President Rtn. Subhash Bangera. The program was conducted under the exemplary leadership of AGE Rtn. Amit Aravind with the support Zonal Learning Facilitator, Zonal Secretary, Zonal Lieutenants,



Zonal Editor of 2025-26 who actively participated in the event. The event was inaugurated by PDG Rtn. Dr Jayagowri Hadigal. District Learning Facilitator PDG Rtn. Rajaram Bhat was the Chief Guest. AG Rtn. Jagannath Kote was the Guest of Honour. DGN Rtn. B M Bhat spoke on “Planning the year & Preparing to Lead”. The President Elects & Secretary Elects 2025-26 of all Clubs of Zone IV, including Rtn. Shashikala Rajavarma & Rtn. Vanishree Rao from RCM participated in the learning seminar, which was indeed a very motivating & inspiring session. 15 members participated from RCM. Ann Avani & Ann Kavya helped with back stage work and contributed to the accomplishment of the event. With the enthusiastic participation of delegates & insightful talks by speakers, Pre PELS & Pre SELS marked success.

## Rotarians in Action



15.03.2025: Rtn. Amit Aravind, AG 2025-26 was one of the resource persons for the event “Hejje”, Presidents & Secretaries Learning Seminar of Zone 3 for the year 2025-26 at Rotary Hall, Kallianpur.

16.03.2025: Congratulations to Annette Ruhita, D/o Rtn. Dr Usharani for winning the title “The Radiant Smile” at a Fashion Show “Fashionista 2025” hosted by Lords International Residential School, Udupi.



Rotarians in Action... (Cont'd)



11.03.2025: Rtn. Dr Srikanth Prabhu, Professor, Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, MAHE conducted a session on Cyber Security in Healthcare to the Faculty Members of MCON, MSON & PhD Scholars at MAHE ISAC Centre of Excellence for Cyber Security, Manipal in a Faculty Development program organised by Department of Psychiatric Nursing.



12.03.2025: Rtn. Dr. Girija & Lord Dr. Ramakrishna visited Rural Psychiatry Out Reach Camp conducted by Rtn. Dr Virupaksha Devaramane & Team from Baliga Hospital, Udupi. Nearly 100 to 140 patients availed free consultancy. It is a Rural Satellite Psychiatric Clinic conducted weekly.



14.03.2025: On the onset of 2 years of MGM Evening College, National Confest 2025 – Entrepreneurship in the Digital Age was conducted, at Nuthana Ravindra Mantapa, MGM College, Udupi. Insightful session was given by Rtn. Renu Jayaram, who was one of the Guest Speaker.



19.03.2025: 15 RCM members attended the Official Visit of DG Rtn. CA Dev Anand of Rotary Udupi at Nutana Ravindra Kalyana Matapa, MGM College, Udupi



A three-day wonderful workshop “Unretired Minds” was conducted for the Senior Citizens jointly by Bharathiya Vikas Trust Manipal & Robosoft Technologies Udupi, from 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 in BVT, Manipal, under the leadership of Rtn. Jagadish Pai. Rtn. Virupaksha Devaramane was one of the Guest Speaker, who gave an interesting & useful talk to the Senior Citizens gathered with a concluding note on Organ Donation.



17.03.2025: President Rtn. Subhash Bangera visited RC Shimoga (Zone 10) on the occasion of the Official visit of DG Rtn. CA Dev Anand.

22.03.2025: Rtn. Renu Jayaram was one of the speakers in the Residential Bridge Camp organised by Sarojini Damodaran Foundation (SDF) founded by Mr. S D Shibulal, Co-Founder & Former CEO of Infosys. Renu spoke on “Success Skills”. SDF supports academically bright but economically disadvantaged students with financial aid & mentorship for 5 to 7 years.



Public Image



Udayavani Newspaper dt 18.03.2025: Board High School Science Laboratory Inauguration by DG Rtn. CA Dev Anand



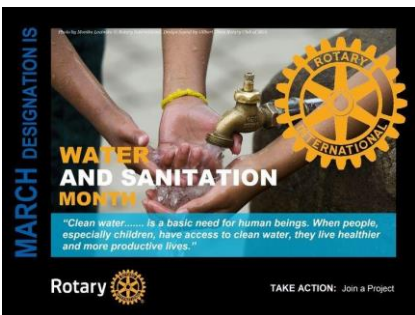
Udayavani Newspaper dt 22.03.2025: DG Visit to RCM Manipal

Celebrations



Birthdays:

- ❖ 19-Mar - Rtn Dr Usha Rani
- ❖ 22-Mar - John Aaron Fernandes, S/o Rtn Vijay Fernandes
- ❖ 22-Mar - Annette Manvi G, D/o Rtn Dr Komal Smriti
- ❖ 23-Mar - John Shreeraj, S/o Rtn Nagaraja Tantry
- ❖ 24-Mar - Rtn Shreesha Hegde
- ❖ 24-Mar - Ann Dr Lakshmi Rao, W/o Rtn Dr R S Phaneendra Rao
- ❖ 24-Mar - Ann Suchitha Vinod, W/o Rtn Vinod Kumar



Bright Future Begins with Clean Water!