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THIS TUESDAY

Amish Tripathi & Bhavna Roy in conversation with Aditi Bhimjyani on Balance between Modern Life & Spiritual Wisdom

DECODING THE BUDGET: A DEEP DIVE INTO THE KEY ANNOUNCEMENTS, THEIR IMPLICATIONS FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH, INFLATION, AND EMPLOYMENT, WITH PP SHAILESH HARIBHAKTI, RTN. ANIL HARISH & ONKARPREET SINGH JUTLA, CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER, NUVAMA PVT.



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PP Shailesh Haribhakti: Thank you very much. It's a delight to be with so many Rotarians and friends. India was reeling under the onslaught of falling growth rates, and complete depreciation in the rupee. At one time, people predicted that we would make a beeline for 90. It looks like we are getting there. And then there was that spectre of complete volatility that a new President of the United States was going to bring. In tow, he had an amazingly, I don't know, insane man, Elon Musk, who is capable of doing things. I just finished reading his biography, and he's just on the border of insanity. He's just unbelievable at what he has done in his life. So we needed to do something dramatic, and I feel that is what our Finance Minister has done this time. What I thought rather than telling you that we have a 325 lakh crore economy and our budget deficit is 4.8% and our inflation is at whatever, 6%-6.5%, I thought it is better for me to use what I have learned from this budget and the signals that it is giving me and share with you my vision of what kind of strategic framework India's AI-powered economic supremacy can deliver to all of us.

So, I am positing, and I am saying this before a very august audience of Rotarians, that India can achieve a sustainable 20% nominal growth rate. For this, it has to overcome certain constraints, and it needs the complete collaboration between the central and the state governments, between global and sovereign funds, Indian and multinational corporations, impact investors, and everybody else who has an interest in India. So what are the three things that I would like you all to keep in mind?

- We can become the world's AI-powered manufacturing hub through Make in India 6.0.
- We can become the global AI-driven services and technology capital, serving the world from India.
- The food and energy basket for the planet, an agri and energy superpower.

How do we achieve this breakout strategy? We need to first recognise the constraints, as my friend Rajas pointed out to me just before I started. So what are our constraints, and how do we overcome them?

RCB ONLINE:



Our constraints are fragmented state and central policies, and the solution is AI-driven unified economic governance for seamless state-central synergy. [...contd. in transcript]

Rtn. Anil Harish: In her speech, the Finance Minister first mentioned taxation, where she said that the budget aims to initiate transformative reforms over six domains, and the first one that she mentioned was taxation. Then she talked of a new bill to replace the existing Income Tax Act that we have had since 1961. Even though they were going to come out with a new tax bill just next week, I thought there would be no changes to the Income Tax Act this year in this budget, but then there have been as many as 85 clauses to amend the Income Tax Act now, and we're going to get a new tax bill next week.

Last year, we had 99 clauses to amend the Income Tax Act. The year before that, we had 112. So if there were to be an Olympic event called Amendment of One Particular Law, the maximum number of times, I think we would have got the gold medal right from 1964 onwards. Now how will this span out? We do not know. There will be a new law that will be coming in next week, but when will it be introduced? Will it be from 2025, or will it be from 2026? Will all these amendments that are being made now under this budget be subsumed into the new one? Will they all be a part of it, or will some of these be replaced? We just have to wait and see, no indication has been given of whether the new law will come in from 2025 or whether it will come in at a later point of time.

The biggest change that the Finance Minister announced was, of course, the rates of tax and the slabs. From the year 2020, we've had the new regime. We have the old regime of taxation, and we have the new regime. Under the old regime, you could claim certain

deductions. For instance, if you invested in the Public Provident Fund or LIC, or you gave a donation to the Rotary Club, you'd get a deduction under Section 80G. But under the new scheme, they do not want you to give donations to charities. There will be no deduction available for that at all. But the new regime gives you certain benefits, in that there are lower rates for many different slabs. Now they're changing this again. So the old regime continues in that the first 3.5 lakhs is going to be exempt from tax. But under the old regime, you get deductions such as for 80G, et cetera. But you hit the maximum slab rate of 30% surcharge plus cess at 10 lakhs of rupees of income. Under the new regime, you hit the maximum rate at 24 lakhs. So there is going to be a benefit. Most people are going to move to the new regime. I don't even know why they are continuing the old one because they made it – they also disincentivised it. But anyway, we have the old regime and we have the new regime. The old one will be useful only for those who are giving donations and are claiming certain other deductions. [...contd. in transcript]

Onkarpreet Singh Jutla: Good afternoon, everyone. It's a pleasure speaking at this gathering. So, see, I think when we look at investments, what has this budget done for investments? I think the first step when we look at any set of investing is what is a macroeconomic set of data which will lie for the next three, five, or ten years. So, in that context, what the budget has given is clarity in terms of how much this country will have debt as a percentage of GDP. There is a fiscal glide path, which is like a governing path for the government. Like today, India's number is 57% debt to GDP ratio. By 2030, the government has a trajectory that they will bring it down to 50-odd percent, which I think is a very good guidance. If you look at even US markets, the debt-to-GDP ratios are far, far higher. So, I think this is extremely important when you think about which asset class you should be investing in.

Secondly, the government has held on to the fiscal deficit numbers. The market borrowings, the government market borrowings, are pretty much in line. They are going to be around 11.6 lakh odd crores. The fiscal deficit is projected to go down by 20 bips from next year as well. So, what does this say that fiscal consolidation is largely in place? The biggest boost is the consumption, which they have done by reducing the tax rates, which is the middle class. Rs 12.75 lakhs, there is absolutely no tax, which gives money in the hands of consumers, which can be spent on discretionary expenses. So, when we combine all of these three things, how does each asset class get impacted?

So, first of all, if we talk of equities, what it does to the equities, if you look at entire portfolios of mutual funds or PMS schemes as of today, a significant part of them are invested into CAPEX heavy themes, PSU themes. And now, since the government has given a lot of weightage to discretionary consumption, there will be a cycle where CAPEX stocks will effectively take a backseat. There will be a churn, which will be required in the portfolio. So, you will need to position portfolios in a way where you can capture consumption. So, there are different ways. So, maybe it is banks, it is FMCG companies, maybe tourism also, even hotels also in that way. So, you need to have a portfolio within equities where you have exposure to these sectors. [...contd. in transcript]



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INTERACT CLUB SPREADING CHRISTMAS JOY



On January 21st, the Interact Club of Bharda New High School organised a special initiative to spread joy and warmth on the occasion of Christmas. As part of this initiative, students generously gifted toiletries, books, stationery, bedsheets, towels, water bottles, chocolates, games, and many other essentials to the children of St. Anthony's Home, aiming to make them feel happy and blessed.

The celebration was filled with fun and engaging activities. Students played games like musical chairs and passing the parcel, and a dance competition was held, with the best dancer receiving a prize. These activities brought smiles to everyone's faces and created a joyful atmosphere.

To add to the festivities, snack boxes were distributed to the children, ensuring they had a delightful treat. The students

of Bharda New High School sat together with them, chatting and bonding over shared experiences. They interacted warmly, discussing school life and the various activities they participate in, fostering a meaningful connection.

Spending approximately two hours with the children, our students enjoyed every moment, making it a truly memorable and heartwarming experience. The event was a testament to the spirit of kindness and generosity, reminding everyone of the true essence of Christmas—sharing, caring, and spreading happiness. The students left with hearts full of joy, knowing they had made a difference in the lives of others. This wonderful and blessed day reinforced the values of compassion and togetherness, inspiring both students and children alike. May God bless them all.

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TUESDAY MEETINGS AT ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY



Rtn. Rhea Bhumgara, President Satyan Israni, PP Shailesh Haribhakti, Rtn. Anil Harish, speaker Onkarpreet Singh Jutla and Rtn. Dushyant Dave



Rtn. Sherebanu Baldiwala introduces new Rotarian Zaheer Memon



President Satyan Israni wishes Rtn. Madhusudhan Daga for his birthday



Rotarians PP Nirav Shah, Sundeep Puri, PN Manish Reshamwala, Uday Sanghani and Jimmy Pochkhanawalla



Rotarians PN Manish Reshamwala, Farhat Jamal and Jagdish Malkani



President Satyan Israni wishes PP Kalpana Munshi for her birthday



Rotarians Jimmy Pochkhanawalla, Meera Alreja, PP Nirav Shah and Pranay Vakil



Rotarians Pranay Vakil, Meera Alreja, Pradeep Chinai and Suresh Jagtiani



Rotarians IPP Manoj Patodia, Rajas Doshi and Sundeep Puri



President Satyan Israni inducts new Rtn. Awais Noorani



President Satyan Israni inducts new Rtn. Zaheer Memon



Rtn. Ptn. Aruna Jagtiani and Rtn. Pranay Vakil



Rotarians Vinod Juneja, President Satyan Israni, Suhail Nathani, Farhat Jamal and PP Nandan Damani



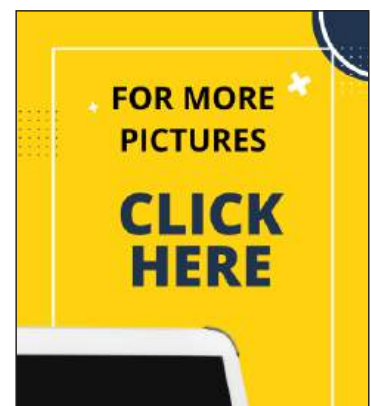
Rotarians Rajendra Bhambhani and Sanjiv Saran Mehra



Rtn. Ptn. Avaan Vakharia and PP Preeti Mehta



Rotarians PP Nirav Shah, Mahesh Khubchandani and Miral Shah



PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY MUSINGS

A Roaring Start to the Year: January Recap

Fellow Rotarians and Friends,

As we move into February, I'm thrilled to reflect on a truly dynamic and engaging January for our club. We've kicked off the year with a bang, filled with inspiring speaker meetings, impactful projects, exciting initiatives, and of course, a truly unforgettable fellowship experience.

January proved to be a month of intellectual stimulation, thanks to the diverse range of speakers we welcomed. We began the month with Prabhuji Gauranga Das sharing with us the three essential truths of Vedic leadership being Vinay (humility), Vivek (discrimination), and Vairagya (renunciation). This was followed by an engaging talk by Dr. Jehangir Sorabjee on wellness and the right approach to a long life. We then had Dr. Firuza Parikh, fertility specialist being felicitated with the Sohrab Pirojsha Godrej Science Technology Award. The final speaker for January was Subahoo Chordia speaking to us on Energy Transition. I extend my sincere thanks to our program and awards committees for securing such an impressive lineup of speakers and awardees.

We also saw the second edition of our super successful Anand Rathi Wealth Rotary Golf Classic 2025 and the inaugural edition of the Phillip Capital Rotary Golf Challenge 2025 to raise funds in support of adult literacy. I take this opportunity to thank both PP Vineet Bhatnagar and Rtn. Pradeep Gupta for their immense support. We have been able to raise funds to the tune of Rs. one crore approx. for the cause of adult literacy.

Beyond our engaging meetings, we've continued to make strides in our ongoing projects. The organic farming at Gale village is progressing well. We also had the Annual Sports day for the elders of Ananda Yaan where we witnessed the abundant energy and enthusiasm of the elders. They behaved as if they were school kids all over again and had a whale of a time! Our Cotton Green Medical Centre is also making great strides under the astute leadership of PP Arun Sanghi who with the assistance of Chairman Rtn. Dr. Mehernosh Dotivala has for the first time ensured that the centre saw more than one thousand patients in one month! What a fantastic job this team is doing.

Bhavishya Yaan, Lighthouse and the Interact committees are going about their work with their usual zeal and fervour. The children of the respective programs are being engaged and involved in a vast



gamut of projects and activities to increase their life skills, gain better insights and overall to help them become better human beings. I commend the dedicated project teams for their hard work and commitment.

Of course, no recap of January would be complete without mentioning our incredible fellowship trip to Kaziranga! Thirty-six Rotarians and partners embarked on this unforgettable adventure, immersing ourselves in the breathtaking beauty of the national park and its incredible wildlife. From Jorhat to Majuli, Kaziranga to Brahmaputra, Navagraha temple to Kamakhya temple, thrilling jeep safaris to serene nature walks, we shared laughter, camaraderie, and a deep appreciation for the natural world. This fellowship trip truly embodied the spirit of Rotary, fostering strong bonds and creating memories that will last a lifetime. My heartfelt thanks to Rtn. Ptn. Kashmir Dalal and PP Vineet Bhatnagar for their meticulous planning and execution.

As we move into the frenzy of February, let's carry the momentum of January forward. I encourage everyone to actively participate in our upcoming meetings, projects, and initiatives. Together, we can continue to make a meaningful impact in our community and beyond. I look forward to another month of service, fellowship, and growth.

Yours in Rotary,

Satyan Israni
President



IWC: SPREADING JOY ACROSS GENERATIONS

As we bid farewell to the year and step into a new one, our journey of giving and sharing continues in the most heart-warming way.

Our year ended with the joyous spread of festive cheer among the children of SEC (Society for the Education of Challenged Children) as part of the Christmas celebration, while we welcomed the new year with the heart-warming King and Queen Contest at the old age home.

The Christmas celebration with the children of SEC was a joyful affair filled with laughter, gifts, and the spirit of togetherness. The kids were all smiles, especially when a talented ventriloquist took the stage, filling the room with laughter and cheer. And just when we thought it couldn't get better, Santa Claus made a grand entrance! Watching the children's faces light up as they received their gifts was the true highlight of the day. Their bright smiles and innocent excitement truly captured the magic of the season, reminding us of the joy that comes from simple acts of kindness.

As we turn the page to a new year, our commitment to spreading happiness extends to the elderly at the old age home.

The King and Queen Contest of the senior citizens at Parukh Dharamshala stood out, as it celebrated the wisdom, grace, and spirit of our beloved seniors. The event engaged the residents in a series of unique competitions, including solving a jigsaw puzzle, arranging cards in sequence, matching the right pairs, forming words from scrambled letters, and naming songs.


The senior citizens showed great enthusiasm and were delighted to participate in the various activities, making the King and Queen Contest at Parukh Dharamshala a joyful and memorable event. The event was more than just a contest—it was a tribute to their resilience and a chance to make them feel cherished and special.

From the laughter of children to the graceful smiles of our elders, the warmth of togetherness is the greatest gift of all.

MONTHLY PATIENT COUNT

Director	Rtn. Renu Basu	
Committee chair/co-chair	Rtn. Swati Jajodia/ PP Vijay Jatia	
Name of the Committee	Dialysis	
Patients visited / treated		Jan-25
DIALYSIS	Platinum Hospital, Mulund	7
	Aastha Hospital, Manor	17
	Sukh Sagar Hospital, Dahisar	20
	Shatabdi Hospital, Govandi	104
	Shatabdi Hospital, Kandivali	21
	Samarpan, Ghatkopar	78
	Lifeline Medicare Hospital Charkop	40
	Dr.M.L.Dhawale Memorial Trust Hosp. Palghar	25
	K.J. Somaiya Hospital & Research Centre, Sion	37
	Acharya Shri Ramesh Dialysis Centre, Andheri E	57
	Rotary Yoda Dialysis Centre, Symbiosis Hospital	100
	Swami Shraddhanand Hospital, Vasai West	62
Mallika Hospital, Jogeshwari West	39	
Total	607	

DEEPEST CONDOLENCES
Rtn. Ranjit Sinh



We regret to inform our members of the sad passing of our beloved
Rtn. Ranjit Sinh.

Late Rtn. Sinh joined Rotary Club of Bombay in 1996 and is survived by
Rtn. Ptn. Vandana Sinh.

LUNCH AND ENTERTAINMENT HOSTED BY PP KALPANA MUNSHI



Past Presidents Nandan Damani, Kalpana Munshi and Gul Kripalani



Rotarians Anirudh Chowdhary, PP Haresh Jagtiani, PP Kalpana Munshi and Pashupati Advani



Rotarians Kirit Kamdar, PP Kalpana Munshi, SV Prasad, Dushyant and Rtn. Ptn. Poonam Dave



Rotarians PP Kalpana Munshi and Meera Alreja



Rotarians PP Vineet Bhatnagar, PP Kalpana Munshi and Akhil Sanghi



Rtn. Ajit and Rtn. Poonam Lalvani, PP Kalpana Munshi, Rtn. Freyaz Shroff and Rtn. Ptn. Malti Jain



Rtn. Anil Harish, PP Kalpana Munshi, Rtn. Ptn. Shobha Jagtiani and President Satyan Israni



Rtn. Farokh Balsara, Rtn. Meher Vakil, PP Kalpana Munshi, PP Shernaz Vakil, Rtn. SV Prasad and Rtn. Ptn. Matthew Taff



Rtn. Ptn. Anita Parekh, Rtn. Khurshed Poonawala, PP Kalpana Munshi, PP Framroze Mehta and Rtn. Anand Dalal



Rotarians Ajai Kumar, Madhusudhan Daga, Jaidev Merchant, PP Kalpana Munshi, Rtn. Ptn. Anita Parekh, Rtn. Ptn. Malti Jain, Rtn. Ptn. Poonam Dave and Rtn. Kamal Bulchandani



Rtn. Zinia Lawyer, Rtn. Ptn. Anita Parekh, Rotarians PP Kalpana Munshi, Vijay Meghani, Jagdish Malkani and Meera Alreja

16TH GOLF TOURNAMENT & FELLOWSHIP A SWINGING SUCCESS!



Rotary history was created on January 12th, 2008, when 17 Rotarians teed off at the United Services Club for the First Golf Tournament of the Rotary Club of Bombay initiated by Rtn. Moy Biswas. Since then this tournament has been held every year and its ever-growing popularity has led to a roster of no less than 32 competitors.

On February 1st, 2025, the Sixteenth Golf Tournament for the Trophy instituted by the Biswas family in 2008 was held again at the Willingdon Sports Club.

The trophy has been fondly rechristened as the Rotary Club of Bombay Mrudula Biswas Golf Trophy from 2023 onwards in honour and loving memory of Rtn. Moy's wife Mrudula. We can still feel her warmth and love around us.

President Satyan Israni officially began the tournament with a ceremonial tee-off at 8.45 am. Then began the serious business of participants of ages ranging from 16 to 83 years, who played in the following groups:

- Rotarians Pradeep Chinai, Dinesh Lal, Pashupati Advani, and Gautam Doshi;
- Rotarians Sanjay Desai, Anand Shah, Madhup Vaghani and Rajan Dalal;
- Brinda Shah, Padma Lal, Darshika Ajoomal (Daughter of Bipin Kapadia), Thea Ajoomal (Grand Daughter of Bipin Kapadia);
- Rtn. Anil Goyal, Sohel Lalvani (Son of Ajit Lalvani) and Darios Irani;
- Rotarians Dilip Dalal, Rtn. Vivek Himatsingka, Aziz Munna Javeri and Dev Thukral;
- Aditya Shah, Pragya Saboo (Daughter-in-law of Nirav Shah), Rtn. Ali Merchant, President Satyan Israni and Rtn. Moy Biswas.

While the camaraderie among players was excellent, their competitive spirit was high, with all the golfers playing to the best of their abilities. The eagles, birdies and pars (as well as some unwanted bogeys) kept coming. Fortunately, the weather was excellent, with a cool winter morning to lighten the golfers' exertion.

Although the game was highly competitive, it was played in a spirit of friendliness which was facilitated by the meticulous planning and faultless execution of the indefatigable Moy Biswas.

Exciting and electrifying as the tournament was, the fellowship that followed at the Cabbage patch was equally engaging and exhilarating, with the presence of a record number of past presidents namely Rajnikant Reshamwala, Sandip Agarwalla, Ajay Kanoria, Nandan Damani, Paul George, Nowroze

Vazifdar, Nirav Shah, Vijay Jatia, Shernaz Vakil and Vineet Bhatnagar.

After a group photograph with a very large number of Rotarians and family members present for this event, the presentation ceremony began with Moy treating everyone to quips with his trademark sense of humour surrounded by the display boards depicting the history of all the golf tournaments.

Moy narrated the history of this tournament and acknowledged the names of the Rotarians who have helped in making this tournament a success year after year.

He thanked Pradeep Chinai for facilitating the arrangements at the WSC as well as hosting the breakfast for the participants.

Bimal Mehta for the display boards.

Arvind Agarwal for the carry bags.

President Satyan Israni for the golf balls for the participants.

Fali Mehta for presenting an exclusive present for the Sponsor of the fellowship.

Moy profusely thanked Pashupati Advani for sponsoring all the trophies for this tournament and also Madhup Vaghani, for his generous contributions and sparing no efforts for making the fellowship most enjoyable. He also mentioned that Madhup has sponsored this fellowship earlier and this is his sixth time.

Moy mentioned the uniqueness of this year's fellowship was in two ways, one being the Club's President's participation in this tournament for the first time and secondly a daughter and granddaughter of a Rtn. Bipin Kapadia participating this tournament for the first time.

In appreciation for the non-participating ladies who have been present year after year for motivating and encouraging the participants, a lucky draw was organised and Jamshyd Vazifdar eventually declared none other than the First Lady Navina Israni as the "Lucky Lady".

Sohel Lalvani (Son of Ajit Lalvani) was awarded for the longest drive in hole no 01 and Sanjay Desai for nearest to the pin in hole no 06.

Finally, it was the time to declare the runner-up and the winner. The runner-up prize was presented to Dinesh Lal. (winner in 2015 and runner-up in 2012).

Thea Ajoomal (Grand Daughter of Bipin Kapadia) on her sweet sixteenth year, was crowned the winner of the Rotary Club of Bombay Sixteenth Golf Fellowship.

Loud applause greeted the announcement and all those present congratulated the champions as President Satyan Israni and Moy Biswas presented the winner's trophy.





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Ravi Fotedar
Chairman
IVD Committee

Pulin Shroff
Co-Chair
IVD Committee



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MONTHLY PATIENT COUNT

Director	Rtn. Renu Basu	
Committee chair/co-chair	Rtn. Dr. Mehernosh Dotivala / Rtn. Reema Damani	
Name of the Committee	Cotton Green	
Patients visited / treated		Jan-25
COTTON GREEN	HOMEOPATHY	438
	DENTAL OPD	223
	OPHTHALMIC OPD	114
	PAEDIATRICS OPD	44
	GENERAL OPD	163
	PATHOLOGY LAB	20
	ECG	1
TOTAL		1003

Director	Rtn. Renu Basu	
Committee chair/co-chair	Rtn. Mihir Mody / Rtn. Meera Alreja	
Name of the Committee	RCB Medical Centre, Talwada	
Patients visited / treated		Jan-25
PRVEC	OPHTHALMIC OPD	1263
	SPECT GIVE DURING THE MONTH	117
	OPERATIONS	59
	THE PATIENT KEPT FOR TREATMENT	9
	IOL	53
	YAG LASER	15
	GREEN LASER	--
	KERATOPLASTY	--
TOTAL		1516
ADMC	GENERAL OPD	1330
	DENTAL OPD	114
	PEDIATRIC OPD	27
	PATHOLOGY LAB	36
	TB PATIENTS	10
	TOTAL	

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Ravi Fotedar
Chairman
IVD Committee

Pulin Shroff
Co-Chair
IVD Committee



NATURE-FILLED OUTING AT KALINA BIODIVERSITY PARK

Around 30 RCB members and their families visited the Kalina Biodiversity Park last Sunday, making for a delightful outing. The children especially had a wonderful time, with the highlight being feeding the various species of turtles and large catfish in the pond.

The group was taken on a guided tour by Aavaan, who led them through the Miyawaki forest before exploring the rest of the park. They strolled through the lush bamboo grove and

admired the recently completed Peace Grove with its serene surroundings. They also learned about various butterfly-attracting plants, though only a few butterflies were out, as the season had just begun after winter.

After a leisurely walk, everyone enjoyed a sumptuous breakfast in the open near the amphitheatre. The lovely ambience made for a perfect conclusion to the visit. The youngest member of the group was just two years old!



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invites our members to an exclusive evening of immersive art.

SUJATA BAJAJ - SPACESCAPES



Join us for a special curated walk-through only for Rotary Club of Bombay members, friends and family.

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SUJATA BAJAJ - SPACESCAPES

ABOUT THE COLLECTION



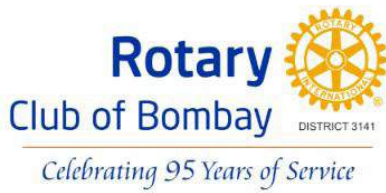
Sujata Bajaj's **SPACESCAPES** mark a significant turn in the work of an artist with many decades of experience. Taking inspiration from the cosmos, **SPACESCAPES** is an ongoing series of abstract paintings that embrace colour in its unrestrained form.

Seeking escape from the restrictions imposed by the Coronavirus, Bajaj returned to her longstanding childhood fascination with astronomy, when she would be pulled out of her bed before dawn and taken outside and introduced to stargazing.

With the advent of increasingly detailed images of outer space, Bajaj instinctively understood that the vast universe had something to say: she was seeing something that resonated deeply with a side of her practice she had yet to explore. She saw infinite space, black holes and nebulae of coloured clouds; foggy forms in various hues. Contrary to the common perception of the universe as an expansive darkness dotted with a few stars and planets, this universe was a rich and layered visual experience. Complementing her new understandings of space are Sujata's various associations with the Northern Lights - an arena where the infinite, ever expanding cosmos bring abstraction and reality into a powerful merge.

SPACESCAPES takes the concept of the universe, an infinite, abstract, fluid concept, as a point of departure. The paintings, dynamic in their construction and colour, express formation and creation on a universal level. In direct contrast to Bajaj's previous work where colour and energy played out within strong prominent lines, the **SPACESCAPES** series employs colour in the service of effervescence and constant motion.

SAVE THE DATE



It is time to prepare
for 2025-2026 with
PE Bimal Mehta

SATURDAY
8th March
2025

**HARVARD BUSINESS
SCHOOL CLASSROOM
TAJ LANDS END, BANDRA**

9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM



RISE

REALIGN | INNOVATE | STRATEGIZE | EXECUTE

**A SESSION FOR
INCOMING DIRECTORS, CHAIRS,
AND CO-CHAIRS**

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

REALIGNMENT & ADAPTABILITY

Realign and Adapting to Change

CSR STRATEGIES & GOVERNANCE

Funding Opportunities and Enhancing Credibility

MONITORING & EVALUATION

Measure, Track and Optimise Social Impact

STRATEGIC PLANNING & EXECUTING PROJECTS

Committee Presentations for 2025-26

Rotary
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SAVE THE DATE

Members Nite

Sunday | 9 March | 7 pm

STAY TUNED FOR MORE!





ANAND HI ANAND: A MUSICAL EVENING OF JOY AND INCLUSIVITY

The Rotary Club of Bombay along with the Rotary District 3141 Avenue of Disability to Ability and Baghban, held the fourth edition of its annual musical event, Anand Hi Anand, at the Y.B. Chavan Auditorium, Mumbai, on 5th February 2025. Ananda Yaan is the widely acclaimed Elder Day Care Programme of the Rotary Club of Bombay.

Addressing a packed auditorium, President Satyan Israni stated that Anand Hi Anand is a mission to happiness, and he was himself happy that the programme had expanded to three centres in seven years. He expressed hope that it would grow even more in the years ahead. He briefly highlighted the facilities being offered to the underprivileged elders of Central Mumbai, including a monthly doctor's visit, medicines, cataract operations, and more, all provided by the Club. He extended his gratitude to the Shankar Mahadevan Academy for their consistent support of the elders.

That evening, of course, was about the joy of music, which was evident as audience members danced with gay abandon in the aisles. The event commenced with stirring performances by some differently-abled youngsters and children from underserved backgrounds. Following this, the audience was treated to melodious renditions from the teachers of the Shankar Mahadevan Academy, two Rotarians, Falguni and Pratap Padode, as well as two journalists, Prasad Sangameshwar and Rohit. The grand finale featured popular hits performed by the accomplished Laxmi Soni and Kamal Somaiya.

One of the highlights of the show was an electrifying performance by young Sidhant Bhosle, the talented singer and composer, and son of Sudesh Bhosle. His two songs delighted the entire audience, bringing the evening to a memorable close filled with music, joy, and celebration.



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THE ANNUAL JAIN
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Dear Rotarians,

We look forward to your presence on

Friday 14th March

10am to 1pm

at 44 Ashok Bhavan, 14th Road Khar.
Behind Satguru on Linking Road.

Join us for

Live music | Flavours of Dilli ki chaat
Shower of Rangeen Flowers | Kesar & Gulab

Rtn. Naresh Jain. Rtn. Mohit Jain Radhika Jain

CHARCHIT: INTERACT CLUB, ART, AWARENESS, AND ACTIVISM



On February 5th, 2025, the Rotaracts of K C College, in collaboration with the Interact Club of Anjuman-I-Islam's Allana English High School, CSMT, organised an interactive and inspiring event at the Anjuman campus. This day-long event, named Charchit, was packed with cultural activities, each creatively portraying sensitive social issues that impact people, especially the younger generation, in various spaces—at home, on the streets, and within educational institutions.

The event featured thought-provoking paintings, mesmerising Bharatnatyam performances, and other dance forms that beautifully conveyed messages of resilience and social change. A powerful theatrical act shed light on multiple social issues and the deep-rooted stigmas that persist in society. Through this artistic expression, the participants aimed to create awareness and spark meaningful discussions.

The event moderator, Tabassum Fatma Rizvi, expressed heartfelt gratitude to the young Rotaractors for their efforts in organising such an impactful programme. The Interactors, in turn, were deeply moved and inspired by the experience. Charchit was more than just an event; it was a powerful statement, leaving a lasting impression on all attendees and reinforcing the importance of social consciousness through the arts.



GK MARG STUDENTS BUILD THEIR OWN ROBOTS

Students of GK Marg School had a thrilling experience as they built their own robots during an interactive workshop conducted by Robofunlabs. Four students from renowned schools—BD Somani International, Dhirubhai Ambani International School, CNMS, and Oberoi International—led the session, sharing their knowledge and expertise with BY students.

Vivan Rungta, Armaan Baliga, Paritra Gada, and Arham Shah brought along

robotics kits and guided the students through the building process. The workshop provided hands-on exposure to STEM education, introducing the children to the exciting world of robotics. For many, this was a first-time experience, sparking curiosity and enthusiasm for technology.

After the session, BY students shared their feedback, expressing amazement at their own creations. They were particularly inspired by the young

mentors, who were close to their own age yet so knowledgeable and helpful. Watching the video recap of their work further reinforced their sense of achievement.

To express their gratitude, the students presented the mentors with handmade paintings, Wali painting bags, and chocolates. The workshop was not just a learning experience but also a celebration of creativity, collaboration, and the power of shared knowledge.



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CELEBRATING
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RENDEZVOUS, TAJ MAHAL PALACE
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29TH MARCH 2025

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**JOIN US FOR A PROJECT
TOUR FOLLOWED BY A
CELEBRATORY LUNCH.**

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Compound, Cemetery Lane,
Bhoiwada, Parel, Mumbai - 400012

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NEXT WEEK:

VIBHA KRISHNAMURTHY TO BE FELICITATED WITH ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY SOCIAL SERVICE AWARD

Vibha Krishnamurthy is a Developmental Pediatrician with over 25 years of experience in working with children with disabilities and their families in India. She trained in Developmental Pediatrics at Children's Hospital, Boston, and founded Ummeed Child Development Center in 2001. Ummeed is one of India's leading not for profits that works with children with disabilities and their families. She has led the team at Ummeed in it's delivery of services, training, advocacy and research in the field of child development and disability. She serves as an expert on Early Childhood Development and Disability for the Govt of India, WHO and UNICEF. She is also a Founder Board Member and Past President of the International Developmental Pediatrics Association.



ROTARIAN MEMBER BIRTHDAYS



FEBRUARY 11
Rtn. Hiren
Kara



FEBRUARY 11
Rtn. Hita
Tolia



FEBRUARY 12
Rtn. Manoj
Murarka



FEBRUARY 13
Rtn. Hormusji
Cama



FEBRUARY 13
PP Arun
Sanghi



FEBRUARY 13
Rtn. Miral
Shah



FEBRUARY 14
Rtn. Vinti
Gajre

ROTARIAN PARTNER BIRTHDAYS

FEBRUARY 12

Rtn. Ptn. Farah Batra
Rtn. Ptn. Reema Kothari

FEBRUARY 13

Rtn. Ptn. Lalita Koshy
Rtn. Ptn. Sandhya Merchant
Rtn. Ptn. Marzban Patel

ANNIVERSARIES

FEBRUARY 11

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Rtn. Dr. Ashok
Kirpalani

Rtn. Ptn. Rita &
Rtn. Subhash Sagar

Rtn. Ptn. Aditya &
Rtn. Radhika Vora

Rtn. Ptn. Gopi &
PP Ashish Vaid

FEBRUARY 12

Rtn. Ptn. Amisha &
Rtn. Vivek
Himatsingka

Rtn. Ptn. Anshuman &
Rtn. Priya Tanna

FEBRUARY 14

Rtn. Ptn. Arpita &
Rtn. Vivek Gupta

Rtn. Ptn. Nusrat &
Rtn. Zulfiqar
Memon

FEBRUARY 15

Rtn. Ptn. Anand &
Rtn. Reema Damani

Rtn. Ptn. Indira &
Rtn. Suresh Kotak

Rtn. Ptn. Sujata &
Rtn. Sunil Vaswani

FEBRUARY 16

Rtn. Ptn. Karishma &
Rtn. Abhishek
Sharman

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