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#### THIS TUESDAY

Sandeep Kumar, Founder & CEO of DigiSwasthya Foundation, will address the Club on Bridging the healthcare gap in rural India: A journey of purpose and impact.

#### **COMING UP**

May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Rotary Super Chef. Details inside

May 18th, 2025

Dental screening camp for the United Services club staff. **Details inside** 

May 18th, 2025

Member movie fellowship -Mission: Impossible - Dead Reckoning. Details inside

May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Nanhi Kali NGO to be felicitated with Rotary Club of Bombay's Anita Parikh Award for Women Empowerment.

Authors Pushpa and Raghu Palat will address the Club.

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

Leena Gupta, transformational life coach, will speak on the Next Frontier: Happiness beyond success, in a session moderated by Rtn. Rina Deora.

June 24th, 2025 Shukriya Nite. Details inside

July 1st, 2025

Rotary Club of Bombay's installation ceremony of incoming President PE Bimal Mehta and his Board of Directors. Details inside

ARE YOUR DEVICES **SPYING ON YOU?** STAYING SECURE IN THE ERA OF CYBER RISK - ADV. PUNEET BHASIN. **HONORARY ADVISOR** FOR UNITED NATIONS DPG ALLIANCE, ADDRESSES THE CLUB



Good afternoon to everyone here. Thank you for the very gracious introduction.

How many of you don't use smartphones? Not a single hand, right?

OK, so how many of you are worried whether someone will look into what you're doing on your device? How many of you may be concerned that someone may know what's going on? Anyone worried about that? Everybody. Do you think people already know?

From the moment you enter the world of the Internet, for children these days, it is from the point they are born, but in the past, it was much later. For me, it was almost college as smartphone penetration was not there. Now you see it from a very, very young age. You see artificial intelligence coupled with multiple other features of the Internet.

To give you a broad spectrum, now, everybody's aware of the new data protection law. In the year 2023, the Indian Government enacted the Indian Data Protection Act which mandated that anywhere you handle any form of Indian data, user data, data which somehow or the other belongs to an Indian national — be it social media providers or any other platform, including companies with Indian employees — protection under the Data Protection Act becomes mandatory, and compliance for data protection becomes mandatory for those organisations.

Penalties are up to ₹250 crores. If you're wondering why an organisation has not been penalised till now — it was enacted in 2023, however, the rules are still pending, and the formation of the body, there have been multiple dynamics that have changed in our nation in this entire period — multiple crucial issues have come up. Because of this entire situation and lobbying against data sovereignty, one of the most crucial aspects of this particular law in its draft stage before it was enacted in 2023 was data sovereignty — "My nation's data remains within the confines of my nation." Obviously, you have a lot of big-ticket companies lobbying against that. In the final version of the Act which was enacted, data sovereignty doesn't exist in its absolute form. But yes, it gives the government the power to blacklist certain countries where data cannot be transferred — certain countries where processing of data cannot be done. A copy of the data has to be maintained in India. The office of the organisation has to be in India.

You cannot say, "I'm governed by the laws of











XYZ country, but I will take your national data, your citizens' data, and do whatever I want." That option is not there. So, they need to have somebody answerable sitting right here — in India. This law is already enacted. What's awaited is the formation of the Data Protection Authority, which will enforce — obviously in the form of legal proceedings that are bound to happen. Any individual can file a complaint under this Act.

It also happens to me — the moment I book a flight ticket; I start getting messages about different hotels. I get messages about taxi service providers. I'm like, "I have not reached out to any person." So, data travels faster than lightning speed. Today, you just book your ticket, and your data is out there.

In such situations wherein, as an individual, your data is lost — as an organisation, there is a breach of your data that takes place — you can raise a complaint to the Data Protection Authority. Thereafter, the Data Protection Authority summons the organisation to answer:

- What is the data trail?
- What is the compliance that they have in their organisation?
- How has this data set moved out?
- What are the data sets it covers? PI and PII. PI is anything that identifies me – that would mean my name. It would mean anything that you associate with me at that point of time.

PII – that's Personally Identifiable Information. Let's say I have your email ID, I have a mobile number, I have an address, and I have certain other pieces of information. I don't have your name. I don't have exactly who you are, but by piecing together these other pieces of information, I would know exactly whom it pertains to. That's called profiling.



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So, the Act is as comprehensive — and, as a matter of fact, much better than the EU GDPR and multiple other legislations across the globe as it covers PI and PII. So, anything that may identify me as me is also covered in this.

As an individual, if you raise a complaint with the Data Protection Authority, accordingly, the organisation is summoned to give answers.

There are multiple offences under the Act — from ₹50 crores onwards till ₹250 crores in penalties, and all of that goes to the Consolidated Fund of India; it does not come to the individual.

An individual has other options. Apart from prosecuting before the Data Protection Authority, there is also the criminal remedy, that is, the data breach litigation, which occurs in the criminal forums — that is, BNS, registering the police complaint — retributive methodology, wherein basically you're trying to bring them to book.

You can do all three things together.

Why is it that suddenly so much power is being given to you? The threat to you is that much. So, the Data Protection Act also got enacted with a great amount of difficulty. I'm quite certain everyone would be aware of the level of opposition that was there against this Act, not just from the opposition parties, but the kind of media — you could say common knowledge — being created about it: "The government is going to misuse your data, so-and-so person is going to misuse your data."

There was so much of a narrative created around it, because this was going to disrupt — and it already is disrupting — a large number of industries like your digital marketing industries, wherein, today, technically, marketing is only focussed on stealing your data and thereafter selling you things, profiling you. It disrupts all of those industries. And the biggest industry that it disrupts is the cybercrime industry which has surpassed any other form of illegal business that takes place globally. The cybercrime industry has crossed all those different barricades. It's the highest-grossing industry in terms of turnover.

So, you are profiled, and then you are targeted. There are multiple such instances wherein offences, whether financial or physical crimes, are being linked to the Internet.

Before I delve into the 'why' and 'what' of this entire subject...

All of you go to different hospitals for treatment, correct?

Have you ever wondered what the data security in a hospital is like? No one has wondered. When you go back, I would want you to Google and see — one very high-level national leader in a country (again, I will not name) was targeted, and an attempt to murder him was made, by breaching the database of the hospital.



#### **ROTARY FLAG EXCHANGE**





Rtn. Hiren Kara brings back the flag of Rotary Club of San Francisco, the second oldest club in the world. At one time, the Rotary Club of San Francisco had 600 members. "The day I attended, they installed their 131st member. It was a pleasure to visit the club," says Rtn. Hiren.

#### **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		Apr-25
	Platinum Hospital, Mulund	7
DIALYSIS	Aastha Hospital, Manor	19
	Sukh Sagar Hospital, Dahisar	20
	Shatabdi Hospital, Govandi	108
	Shatabdi Hospital, Kandivali	17
	Samarpan, Ghatkopar	87
	Lifeline Medicare Hospital Charkop	45
	Dr.M.L.Dhawale Memorial Trust Hosp. Palghar	24
	K.J. Somaiya Hospital & Research Centre, Sion	37
	Acharya Shri Ramesh Dialysis Centre, Andheri E	52
	Rotary Yoda Dialysis Centre, Symbiosis Hospital	100
	Swami Shraddhanand Hospital, Vasai West	63
	Mallika Hospital, Jogeshwari West	39
	Adhikari Life Line Hospital, Boisar, Palghar	27
	Total	645





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#### TUESDAY MEETINGS AT ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY





Rotarians Dilip Dalal, Ashok Chinai and Radhika Vora



PP Nirav Shah, Rtn. Gopal Pachisia of Rotary Club of Bombay



Rtn. Ritu Prakash Desai, Rtn. Hoshang Nazir and Rtn. Ptn. Malti Jain



Rotarians Ramesh Dhir, PP Rajnikant Reshamwala and Darious Irani



President Satyan thanks speaker Adv. Puneet Bhasin for her time spent addressing the Club



PE Bimal Mehta, PP Dr. Rumi and Rtn. Ptn. Pervin Jehangir and Rtn. Mihir Mody



Harbour and Rtn. Naresh Pachisia



Rotarians Madhusudhan Daga, PP Ramesh Narayan and PN Manish Reshamwala



Rotarians PDG ARFFC Sandip Agarwala, Khurshed Poonawala, President Satyan and Rhea Bhumgara



Rotarians Renu Basu, Ritu and PP Framroze Mehta



President Satyan Israni wishes Rtn. Arish Dastur for his birthday



Rtn. Laxmi Karnani asks a question



Rtn. Mahesh Khubchandani introduces the speaker



Rtn. S V Prasad asks a question



#### **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

Over the past few days, rising tensions at the borders have brought our attention to the brave efforts of the Indian Army, who are selflessly protecting our nation. We Salute to their bravery.

In light of this situation and current market conditions, we have received several queries regarding the Fire Insurance Policy covering storage at various ports, godowns, and factories.

We would like to clarify that any act of war is explicitly excluded under the scope of all Fire and Personal Accident (PA) policies issued by any General Insurance company.

This is because war risks are considered **commercially uninsurable** under property and PA insurance policies.

The nature of war-related events can lead to catastrophic losses, potentially threatening the very existence of General Insurance companies and their global reinsurers.

This ensures that the families or legal heirs of insured individuals are not left facing financial hardship during such unfortunate events.

Warm regards, Rtn. Miral Kilkilraj Shah



### Rotary Club of Bombay, Bombay Pier & Mumbai Sion

Invites you for

### **Rotary Super Chef**

AN EVENING OF OF CULINARY THRILLS AND FLAVOURS!

On

Date: Saturday 17th May 2025

Time: 4.00 P.M. to 7.00 P.M.

Venue: Ramnath Payyade College of Hospitality

**Management Studies** 

Location: https://rb.gy/1hti3j

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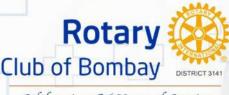








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along with
Cotton Green Clinic Committee

# DENTAL SCREENING CAMP



For United Services Club Staff (US Club)

SUNDAY | 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2025 9:30 AM ONWARDS | US CLUB PREMISES





#### RCB'S RURAL INITIATIVE EARNS VANVASI EARTH DAY RECOGNITION

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#### Palghar's Vanvasi Named 'Star' Village By EARTHDAY.ORG For Sustainable Environmental Initiatives

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With support from the Rotary Club of Bombay, donor Geeta Keshavan, and project implementation partner Chirag Rural Development Foundation, Vanvasi has become a beacon of sustainable rural transformation.

The Star Village initiative recognises outstanding communitydriven efforts in villages across India that have achieved significant environmental impact. This remote village in Jawhar Taluka, Palghar District, situated atop hills, comprises 120 families. The Integrated Village Development Programme of the Rotary Club of Bombay has significantly enhanced irrigation practices through the utilisation of solar energy, enabling year-round irrigation. This has allowed the villagers to remain in their villages and has helped mitigate urban migration.

They have begun cultivating cash crops like fragrant mogra, and have established nurseries for producing mango saplings for commercial purposes. Individual water filters and backup solar lights have been provided to every house.

## SPREADING SMILES, ONE MEAL AT A TIME: ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY'S INSPIRING DONATION DRIVE

A heartwarming display of community spirit and unwavering compassion was witnessed as the Rotary Club of Bombay spearheaded a meaningful meal donation drive from April 25<sup>th</sup> to May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025. This noble initiative brought much-needed sustenance and comfort to the relatives of patients undergoing treatment at the esteemed KEM Hospital and the renowned Wadia Hospital.

Driven by the core values of service and empathy, the Rotary Club of Bombay mobilised its members, encouraging both individual and family participation. The response was truly inspiring, with Rotarians and their loved ones dedicating their time and energy preparing and distributing nutritious meals. Day after day, volunteers could be seen at the designated spot, offering warm smiles and wholesome food to those enduring difficult times while supporting their ailing family members.

Our partner, WithAarya Foundation, has been preparing and distributing 150 freshly cooked meals twice a day for several years. This time, our Club made a small yet meaningful contribution by supporting 3,000 meals over ten days. Beyond the nourishment, the act of personally handing over the meals fostered a deep sense of connection and solidarity. For the recipients, these gestures of kindness offered not only physical sustenance but also emotional comfort, reminding them that they are not alone on their journey.

This drive stands as a shining example of the Rotary Club of Bombay's ongoing commitment to community service and making a tangible difference. The collective effort of its members, along with the enthusiastic involvement of their families, undoubtedly brought relief and hope to countless individuals at KEM and Wadia Hospitals. It serves as a powerful reminder of how compassion and collective action can help alleviate hardship and uplift lives.

The Rotary Club of Bombay extends its heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed their time, resources, and unwavering support to make this initiative a resounding success.

























## 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	Apr-25
	Homoeopathy	480
	Dental OPD	343
	Ophthalmic OPD	101
COTTON GREEN	Paediatrics OPD	33
	General OPD	183
	Pathology Lab	32
	ECG	34
	TOTAL	1206

Director	Rtn. Renu Basu	
Committee chair/co-chair	Rtn. Mihir Mody / Rtn. Meera Alreja	
Name of the Committee	RCB Medical Centre, Talwada	
Patients visi	ted / treated	Apr-25
	Ophthalmic OPD	1007
	Spect given during the month	97
	Operations	43
PRICE	Patient kept for treatment	3
PRVEC	IOL	10
	Yag Laser	
	Green Laser	
	Keratoplasty	
	TOTAL	1160
	General OPD	944
	Dental OPD	75
ADMC	Paediatric OPD	43
ADMC	Pathology Lab	52
	TB Patients	15
	Gynaecology	5
	TOTAL	1134

## A DAY OF SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY AT SOMAIYA UNIVERSITY SUMMER CAMP FOR BY STUDENTS



The second day of the Somaiya University
Summer Camp arranged for the
Bhavishya yaan students proved to be an
enriching experience for all, particularly
in the field of science.

The campers began their day early at 6:30 a.m., setting off for a peaceful morning walk — an energising start to a day packed with learning and exploration.

Following breakfast, the first academic session commenced at 10:00 a.m. This engaging session focused on polymer science and was conducted by Vandana Ma'am and her colleagues. It was filled with hands-on experiments that captured the students' curiosity. The session covered:

- The definition and types of polymers
- How to test the pH range of substances using litmus paper
- A practical demonstration of a double displacement reaction

Afterwards, the group attended a session on environmental science led by Asmita Ma'am. Though largely theoretical, the lecture kept the students interested with meaningful insights into:

- The unique properties of water
- Various chapters within environmental studies
- Notable NGOs working to protect the environment

- Career opportunities in the environmental sciences
- A practical test of the pH of water, cold drink, and buttermilk using a modern device

The students then had a photo session with professors from Somaiya University before heading to lunch.

The final academic session of the day began at 2:30 p.m. and was led by Jacinta Ma'am and her partner. Focused on biotechnology, the session introduced the students to:

- Different branches of biotechnology, each identified by a colour
- Equipment used in biotechnology labs
- The safety measures followed during experiments on plants and animals
- A simple but fascinating experiment to extract DNA from an onion

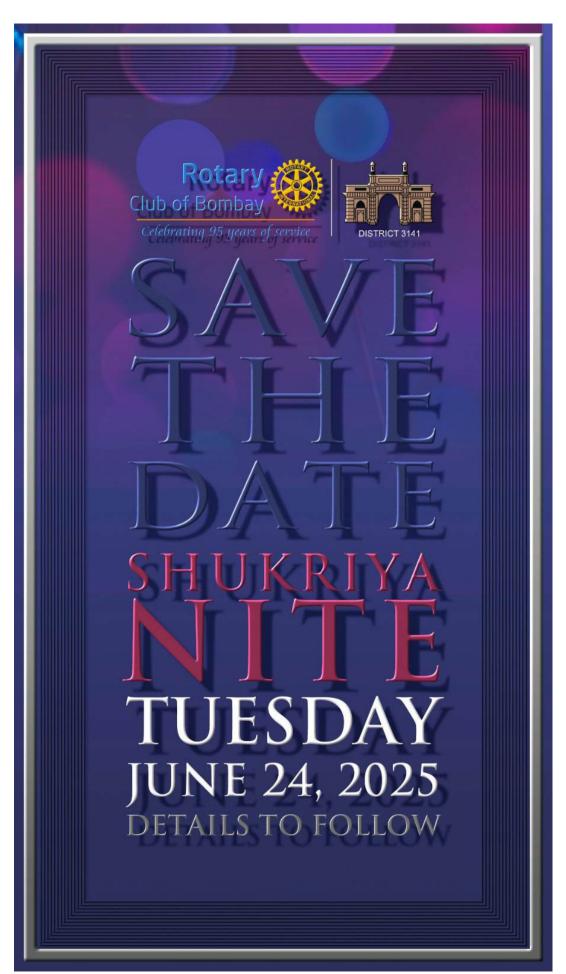
Following a tea and snack break, the campers enjoyed a sports session from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., where they played badminton and interacted with new friends.

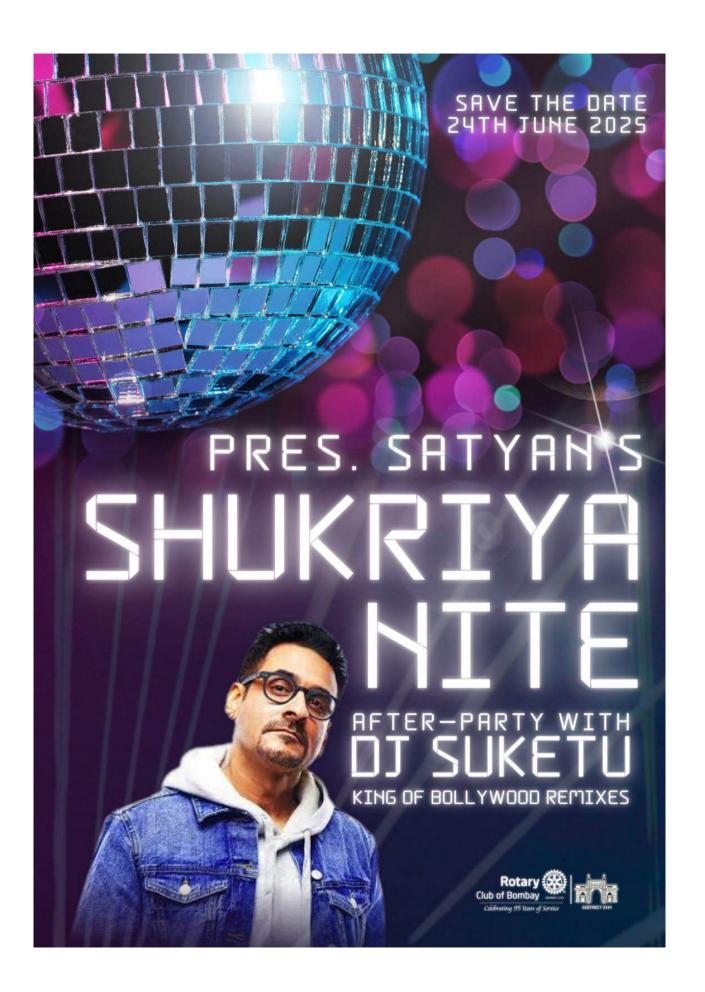
The day concluded on a high note, having offered a wealth of learning opportunities and hands-on scientific experience. For many participants, it was their first time conducting real experiments in a science laboratory—an inspiring step forward on their journey into the world of science.

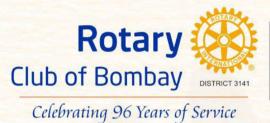


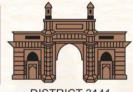












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MAY 15 Rtn. Christopher Bluemel



MAY 16 Rtn. Rajendra Bhambhani



MAY 16 Rtn. Soli Cooper



MAY 16 PP Mahendra Sanghi



MAY 17 Rtn. Jamshed Banaji



MAY 17 Rtn. Partha Ghosh



MAY 18 PE Bimal Mehta

#### **ROTARIAN PARTNER BIRTHDAYS**

MAY 14

Rtn. Ptn. Vasudha Shah

**MAY 16** 

Rtn. Ptn. Lovey Pariyaram **MAY 17** 

Rtn. Ptn. Damini Kamdar

Rtn. Ptn. Shama Thukral

**MAY 18** 

Rtn. Ptn. Kiran Bajaj

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

**MAY 16** 

Rtn. Ptn. Amita & Rtn. Jagdish Malkani Rtn. Ptn. Gautam & PP Preeti Mehta

**MAY 17** 

Rtn. Ptn. Neeraja & Hon. Rtn. Kumarmangalam Birla

**MAY 19** 

Rtn. Ptn. Lalita & Rtn. Joseph Koshy

Rtn. Ptn. Meenakshi & Rtn. Ajai Kumar

Rtn. Ptn. Radhika & Rtn. Abhishek Saraf

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Programme	Rina Deora
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