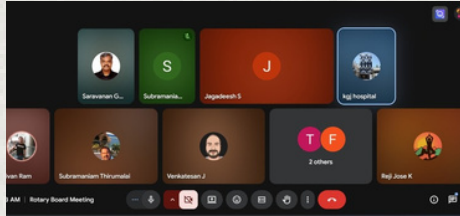


## Board Meeting -7

The 7th Board Meeting was conducted online on 1st February and was led by the President, Rtn. Dr. Ashok. Several important matters were discussed during the meeting. Notably, the vocational awardees were finalized and approved by the Board. The minutes of the meeting were shared in the RCR official WhatsApp group so that all club members could review the details of the meeting.



## Bedsheets for homeless

Rtn. Dr. Ashok and First Lady Sowmiya joined the Shiradi Sai Baba Divine Trip organized by DG Devendran along with fellow Presidents. It was a memorable two-day journey. They boarded an early morning flight on the 2nd and had the blessed opportunity for darshan later that evening.



During their visit, they noticed many homeless people braving the harsh cold on the streets. Deeply moved by the situation, the Presidents came together with compassion and generosity. They purchased bedsheets and distributed them to those in need, bringing warmth and comfort to many.



It was truly a moment that reflected the spirit of Rotary—sharing is caring and serving those who need it the most. The group returned to Chennai the following day, carrying back not just memories of the divine trip but also the joy of having made a small difference in the lives of others. For the President and the First Lady, it was indeed a deeply memorable and heartwarming experience.



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## Vocational Awards

The RCR Vocational Awards Ceremony was successfully conducted on 22 February 2026 at Hotel Benzz Park. The event celebrated professional excellence and recognised individuals who have made notable contributions in their respective fields.

Our club adopted a rigorous and transparent selection process to identify the awardees. The process was led by the Vocational Service Director Rtn Sukumar, with the support of Rtn Subbu. Several nominations were received from club members, and the committee held multiple review meetings to carefully evaluate the proposals. After thorough scrutiny and consideration of merit, the selected names were presented to the club board for approval.

The evening witnessed enthusiastic participation from many club members. The program began with a soulful invocation song rendered by Ann. Anvitha D, D/o Mr. Deepak (Prospective member), followed by the recital of the Four-Way Test by Ann Shivani, D/o Rtn Jagadeesh.



Our President Rtn Dr Ashok delivered the welcome address, warmly greeting the members and guests. Subsequently, Rtn Sukumar inaugurated the Vocational Awards segment and briefly explained the selection methodology and evaluation process followed by the committee.



The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Functional Awards, which were conferred upon the following distinguished recipients:

- Mrs. Latha Maheswari
- Ms. Subbulakshmi Subbiah
- Mr. Selvam

**Mrs. Latha Maheswari** has been a transformative force in improving educational opportunities for underprivileged children. Through her dedicated efforts at Tirusulam Panchayat Union Middle School, which serves children of sanitation workers and daily wage labourers, she has significantly enhanced the school's infrastructure and learning environment.



Under her leadership, the school secured ₹1.77 crore in sponsorships from 28 organisations including Bank of America,

Cognizant, Zoho, Accenture, Rotary Club, and Team Everest NGO. These collaborations supported the development of classrooms, toilets, borewells, kitchens, dining sheds, laboratories, and also provided students with uniforms, notebooks, computers, and medical camps.



Her service extends beyond one institution, supporting several schools with smart classrooms, sanitation facilities, and scholarships. During the COVID-19 pandemic, she also organised grocery distribution for 1,000 families and assisted vulnerable communities. Her commitment to education and social service has empowered many children to aspire for a brighter future.

**Ms. Subbulakshmi Subbiah** is a dedicated development professional with over 14 years of experience in community health, WASH (Water, Sanitation & Hygiene), education, and capacity building across Tamil Nadu.



Since 2012, she has served as Secretary of NGO-INDIA, leading several development initiatives in collaboration with

government departments, UNICEF-supported programs, and grassroots organizations. Her work focuses on improving school environments, promoting hygiene education, and strengthening sustainable water and sanitation practices.



**Mr. Selvam**, a retired employee of Lucas TVS and a resident of Teachers Colony, Kolathur, is widely respected for his dedicated service to community development. His tireless efforts over the years have significantly transformed the colony's infrastructure and quality of life, all through voluntary service without any personal gain.



One of his most remarkable achievements was leading the legal effort that secured government pattas for 103 plots in Teachers

Colony. By taking the initiative to file and pursue a case on behalf of residents, he ensured rightful ownership and long-term security for many families. Mr. Selvam also played a key role in reclaiming five grounds of land that had been encroached upon, which were later developed into a well-maintained public park featuring a 500 sq. ft. yoga space.



His contributions extend to establishing a community library, developing water reservoirs on previously unused land, and facilitating the creation of a bus stand spread across nearly ten grounds. He has supported the construction and upkeep of the colony temple, organized Independence Day celebrations for over 25 years, and helped implement essential services such as drainage systems, metro water supply, and waste management facilities.

Mr. Selvam's selfless dedication exemplifies true civic responsibility and community leadership, making him a deserving candidate for recognition.

The ceremony was graced by our Chief Guest and Mentor, District Vocational Service – Rtn JSK Naidu, whose presence added great value to the occasion. He delivered an inspiring address, motivating members and highlighting the importance of vocational service and community impact.



Following the award distribution ceremony, a warm and engaging introduction session was held for prospective members. A total of four prospective members took the opportunity to introduce themselves, sharing brief insights about their backgrounds, interests, and enthusiasm for community service.



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Prospective member - Mr Deepak



Prospective member - Mr Sivachandran



Prospective member - Mr Sylvester



Prospective member - Mr Vinodh



The event was gracefully emceed by **Maj. Donor Rtn Dr G. Saravanan**, District Secretary, who conducted the program in a well-prepared and engaging manner. The venue arrangements, including hotel booking and food menu, were efficiently coordinated by our Club Service Director Rtn Jagadeesh. The evening concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by our Club Secretary, **Rtn Shivanram**.

## Run to End Polio

**Rtn Dr Ashok** participated in the Run to End Polio 2026, a marathon organized to unite people for the powerful cause of creating a polio-free world. The event was led by RC United Chennai, with our club proudly supporting it as a Silver Sponsor.



Our **First Lady Sowmiya** also took part in the run, showing her support for this global Rotary initiative. The event was held on 15 February under the leadership of **DG Rtn D Devendran**, bringing together Rotarians and supporters in a shared commitment to eradicate polio.



## SMILE

RC Korattur organized an Athletic Sports Meet for Special Children on 21 February. The event was inaugurated by **DGE Rtn Shriram Duvvuri**, and the valedictory address was delivered by **DG Rtn D. Devendran**.

Our club proudly supported the event as a Silver Sponsor. The program was attended by our **President, Rtn Dr Ashok**, who encouraged the young participants.





The children enthusiastically took part in the various activities and thoroughly enjoyed the event, making it a joyful and memorable occasion for everyone involved.

## RUN FOR HER

RC Singara Chennai organized "Run for Her" on 15 February to promote women's safety and empowerment. The mini marathon started at 5:00 AM and saw participation from women, men, and children.



The run was conducted in 3K and 5K categories, encouraging community participation and spreading awareness about women's safety and empowerment.

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