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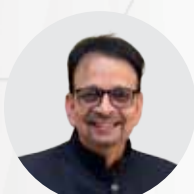
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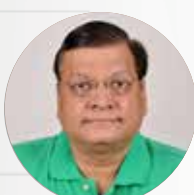
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From the President's Desk



From the President's Desk

November, the month dedicated to **The Rotary Foundation** reminds us of the transformative power of giving, and I am proud to share that our Interact clubs of **PSBB OMR** and **PSBB Gerugambakkam** together raised **Rs. 1,00,000** for the Rotary Foundation's **Polio Fund**. The spirit of Rotary's future leaders is appreciated, and we stand encouraged by their example.

This month was filled with camaraderie, colour, and compassion.

We began with a lively and memorable **Halloween-themed fellowship** at the Hard Rock Café. The energy was electric, and the infectious enthusiasm of our senior members, **Ann Nalini** and **Rtn. V. T. Murthy**, lit up the dance floor and inspired all of us. Moments like these remind us

that fellowship is the heartbeat of Rotary.

We also had the privilege of participating in a **joint meeting with 30 Rotary clubs**, an achievement in itself, reflecting unity, shared purpose, and the collective strength of our Rotary movement.

The shining jewel of RCMT—our club's most cherished flagship project— the **Rota Talent Contest**, was held on November 22nd. This year's event stood as a powerful celebration of talent, courage, determination, and joy dedicated to the exceptional abilities of nearly **1300 differently abled and underprivileged children**. The full day of competitions and festivities, their smiles, their talent, and their spirit were the true rewards for all of us.

RCMT presented the **"Rota Voices of Victory" Award** to the **Samagratha Foundation**, an organization doing exceptional work in nurturing musical talent among autistic children. Their commitment to empowering special children resonates deeply with Rotary's values of inclusivity and service.

Our commitment to service continued throughout the month:

-**Annadanam** was carried out on **all 30 days**, ensuring that no day passed without an act of kindness.

-We distributed **free prescription spectacles to nearly 70 children** of the Ramakrishna Mission School, helping them see the world with clarity and confidence.

-Ongoing **eye camps** have continued to extend the gift of sight to many more beneficiaries.

As we close this dynamic month, let us carry forward the momentum, compassion, and fellowship that defined our November.

Inspired to Serve

Yours in Rotary,
Dr. Pravin Tellakula

President
Rotary Club of Madras T Nagar 2025-26

Editor's Desk



Dear all,

The November 2025 Rotary theme is Rotary Foundation Month. This month emphasizes supporting The Rotary Foundation, which channels donations into meaningful projects addressing poverty, illiteracy, disease, and other global challenges.

November is always very special for RCMT, as it marks the celebration of our flagship project — the Rota Talent Contest.

This month, Ann. Rathna Krishnan, who has been part of this journey for over two decades, shares her insights and experiences.

Warm regards,
Rtn. Shanthala Sathya

RCMT Member

ROTA - A Flashback of Joy!

A Celebration of Hearts, Hopes, and Happiness

For over 33 years, the Rotary Club of Madras T. Nagar, in association with the Neeta Charitable Trust, has proudly hosted the ROTA Talent Contest — a joyful tradition that began under **President Rtn. Balaji** with **300 children** and now welcomes over **2,000 participants** every year.

Fondly called “ **Namma Veetu Kondattam,**” this annual carnival is all about fun, laughter, and togetherness, bringing smiles to children from orphanages and special schools across Chennai.

Started as the pet project of **Rtn. N Ramakrishnan** who envisioned and anchored it in the early years, ROTA has grown with the loving contributions of Jayshree, Shoba Rajkumar and many others who made it truly

special. I was privileged to serve as Chairman along with **Rtn. PP Kapil Kumar**, and this project remains very close to my heart.

The day brims with excitement — music, magic, mascots, and memories — but the most touching moments come from our special needs children, whose courage and joy inspire everyone present.

Organized entirely by our Anns and supported by Rotarians, ROTA is a shining example of Service Above Self — a day where every child is celebrated, every smile matters, and every heart goes home full.

Regards

- **Ann. Ratna Krishnan**



Club Service

Director

Rtn Dr. Ganapati.J



Spooktacular Night with RCMTians at Hard Rock Cafe

On November 6th, the RCMTIANS came together for a thrilling **Halloween** celebration at **Hard Rock Café**, Nungambakkam. The venue buzzed with excitement as our talented makeup team transformed members into spooky, funny, and creative characters — from witches and ghosts to rock stars and vampires!

The infectious energy of our senior members **Rtn. VT Moorthy** and **Ann. Nalini Moorthy** lit up the dance floor, inspiring everyone to join in and groove to the beats. Laughter, music,

and costumes set the perfect Halloween vibe, with members snapping fun selfies and sharing hauntingly happy moments.

The Best Dressed Award went to the most spectacularly spooky member ***Rtn Dr.Asha unni*** earning special appreciation and loud cheers from the crowd. The evening concluded with warm fellowship, delicious dinner, and endless camaraderie, making it a night to remember.





Mega Speaker Meeting

RI District 3233 organized a vibrant Mega Speaker Meeting at the Alumni Club.

Rotary Club of Chennai Castle and Rotary Club of Chennai Radiance were the lead clubs, with **RCMT** as the co-host Club, joined by 31 enthusiastic participating clubs.

The meeting was both hilarious and thought-provoking, presided over by **Mimicry Maestro, Cine Actor, and fellow Rotarian Sri Dhamu**.

It was a sight to see nearly **30 Presidents** being collaring at a single speaker meeting, true to this year's Rotary theme '**United for Good**'



District Governor Rtn. Devendran encouraged registrations for Green Rotarians – **VALARPIRAI 2.0**.

Speaker Sri Dhamu emphasized the importance of healthy eating, mindfulness, and social responsibility in nurturing a healthy family and society. His entertaining mimicry ranging from flight takeoff and landing to engaging the audience in recreating train sounds kept everyone thoroughly enthralled.

Kudos to Sri Dhamu, a truly gifted artist.

The meeting concluded with warm fellowship and a delightful dinner.

Rtn. Dharani Prakash



Board, Trust, and Golf Committee Meeting



Three meetings were held in tandem -

- Golf committee meeting
- Trust Board meeting
- Club Board meeting

at the Boat Club, Adayar, on 29th November in the presence of **President Rtn. Dr. Pravin Tellakula and Secretary Rtn. Shoba Anand.**

During the meeting, previous projects were ratified and upcoming initiatives were discussed.

The meeting concluded with fellowship and dinner.



Rota Talent Contest

RCMTs Crown Jewel Event
The 33rd Rota Talent Contest



Chairman
Pp Rtn. Kapil kumar
Ann. Jayshree Bothra



The Rotary Club of Madras T Nagar, in association with **Neeta Charitable Trust**, successfully conducted the Rota Talent Contest for children from orphanages and special schools on 22nd November at **Kamarajar Arangam**. This year marked the 33rd edition of the event, held under the leadership of **Ruby President Rtn. Dr. Pravin Tellakula**. An impressive 53 schools registered, 1,178 students participated, and 81 performances lit up the stage.

District Governor Rtn. D Devendran along with First Lady Archana graced the occasion as Chief Guest and declared the contest open by releasing balloons into the air along with the children

Dr. Rema Chandramohan Guest of honor, gave an insightful speech to the parents of the children. She said many of the disabilities can be recognized very early and the severity can be reduced to a very great extent. She urged parents to seek medical help as early as possible.

The Registration Team comprised **Ann. Lakshmi Murali, Dr. Mahalakshmi, and Dr. Asha Unni**, who ensured a smooth start to the event.

We were privileged to witness a scintillating musical performance by **autistic children from Samagratha Foundation**.

Beyond melodies, **Samagratha** extends its care through education, therapy, and

medical aid, turning silence into song, despair into celebration, and dependence into dignity. Samagratha stands as an inclusion catalyst, mentoring with compassion and planting seeds of **harmony and hope**.

In admiration and gratitude, RCMT conferred “ **The Rota Voices of Victory** ” award to Samagratha Foundation on 22nd November 2025 for transforming lives through the music of spirit, courage, and love.

A **painting and drawing competition** for children with speech and hearing impairments was conducted under the supervision of **Rtn. Kavitha, Srividya, and Lakurani**.

Breakfast, lunch, and snacks were meticulously arranged by Chairman **Ann. Jayshree Bothra**, with the **Food Committee — Rtn. Anand Sampath, Rtn. Balasubramanyam, Rtn. Anand S., and Anns Sujatha Mukundhan, Rekha, Nandini, and her family**— serving everyone with warmth and compassion.

The Judges Committee was efficiently coordinated by **Ann. Jayashree TSN**.

Every participant received thoughtful takeaway gifts, while all winning schools were honoured with medals and trophies beautifully managed by **Rtn. Dr. Poornima**

Karthik, who also handled the MC duties.

Rtn. Dr. Madhusudhan and his team provided exemplary medical support, with an ambulance on standby. Their dedication ensured the safe and smooth completion of the event.

The presence of **Actor Arun Vijay** as the Chief Guest was a runaway hit among the children. The entire auditorium erupted in cheers as he awarded prizes for the drawing competition. We gratefully acknowledge **Rtn. Dr. Ganapathy** for facilitating the presence of such a busy and celebrated actor.

President **Rtn. Dr. Pravin Tellakula and Secretary Rtn. Shoba Anand** were on their toes throughout, ensuring seamless coordination.

Special appreciation goes to Chairman PP **Rtn. Kapil Kumar Maheshwari**, the driving force behind the Rota Talent Contest, whose calm yet precise leadership—along with his office team—ensured flawless execution.

Rota Talent Contest, **a jewel in RCMT's crown**, was once again a stupendous success! We celebrate our incredible **Interactors**. Thanks to the outstanding dedication and tremendous efforts of **Rtn. PP Meenakshi Perikarupan** and her dedicated team.











Akshayam

Chairman

Rtn. CA. Balasubramaniam

Project Akshayam aims to ensure that no one goes hungry. Food is a basic human need, and through this initiative, we strive to support individuals who are deprived or in need by providing nutritious meals every day of the year.

181 Annadhanam in 151 days. We are doing this noble project at the following homes and organizations:

- Sankara Old Age Home
- *Chaar Illam
- Little Heart
- Arunodhayam Boys Home
- Arunodhayam Girls Home
- Sastha Charitable Trust



Akshaya Trust (All 5 units. Pallikaranai, KK Nagar, Valasaravakkam, Palavakkam, Mudichur)

This noble initiative is being passionately driven by our dedicated Annadhanam Team:

Rtn. Anand Sampth, Ann. Sridevi Tellakula, Rtn. PP Kavitha Shankar, and Rtn. Balasubramanyam, who are selflessly rendering remarkable service.

We humbly request RCMTians to continue supporting and donating towards this noble cause, helping us keep the spirit of service alive and ensuring daily nourishment for the less privileged.

Let's join hands and spread kindness — one meal at a time.





1	Rtn.T.S.Narayanswamy	Akshaya Pallikarnai
2	Rtn.Anand Sampath	Akshaya Palavakkam
3	Rtn.Shanthala Sathya	Sankara
4	Rtn.Dhakshyani Venkatesh	Akshaya Vellpanchavdi
5	Rtn.Shanthala Sathya	Arunodayam Girls
6	Rtn.Vijaay Sheth	Sankara
7	Padmini Kishore	Arunodayam Girls
8	Rtn.N.R.Mukundan	Charu Illam
8	Rtn.Kapil Maheshwari	Sankara
8	Priya Ravichandran	Akshaya Valsarvakkam
9	Rtn.Dakshyani Venkatesh	Sastha Charitable
10	N.V.Prasad	Akshaya KK Nagar
11	FL.Sridevi Tellakula	Akshaya Valsarvakkam
12	N.V.Prasad	Akshaya Pallikarnai
13	Rtn.Ramesh Sampath	Sankara
14	Rtn.S.Balasubramanyam	Sankara
14	Rtn.S Balasubramanyam	Charu Illam

16	Rtn.Murali Bhaskar	Sankara
17	Poorani Kumar	Akshaya Trust Valsarvakkam
18	Rtn Pankaj Davey	Charu illam
18	Rtn.Pankaj Davey	arunodayam boys
18	FL.Sridevi Tellakula	sankara
19	Rtn Vinatha Mahendran	akshaya trust valasaravakkam
20	Dr.Anusha Unni	Sankara
21	Rtn.Meenakshi Periakaruppan	Akshaya Trust Valsarvakkam
22	FL.Sridevi Tellakula	arunodayam girls
23	Rtn Vanithashree	Akshaya Pallikarnai
24	PPT	Arunodayam girls
25	Dr.Sujatha Mohan	Sankara
26	Rtn.Vijaay Sheth	charu illam
27	Rtn.Gopal Ratnam	Sankara
27	Rtn Y G Rajendran	akshaya all homes
28	Rtn Kapil Maheshwari	Akshaya Valsarvakkam
29	Rtn.Radhakrishna Devalla	Akshaya Trust Valsarvakkam
30	Rtn Kapil Maheshwari	Akshayapallikaranai

Community Service Health

Caring for Young Eyes

Rotary Club of Madras T. Nagar Supports School Children.

Rotary Club of Madras T. Nagar, in collaboration with **Rajan Eye Care Hospital**, distributed prescription spectacles to 70 children at **Ramakrishna Mission Higher Secondary School**, T. Nagar, in a heartwarming event.

Rtn. PP Dr. Mohan Rajan and **Rtn. Dr. Pravin Tellakula** addressed the gathering, emphasizing the importance of wearing spectacles, common eye disorders, preventive eye care, and the noble cause of eye donation.



Director

Rtn Dr. Madhusudan





Eye Care Projects

Rajan Eye Care ,Rotary Rajan Eye Bank , in association with the Rotary Club of Madras T Nagar, is actively involved in eye care initiatives with the vision of creating blind-free India. Rtn. Dr. Mohan Rajan and Ann. Sujatha Mohan are rendering exemplary service in this noble cause."



CAMP REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2025

Date	Day	Camp Venue	No.of Screened	No .of Cataract surgery Done	Exp	No of Spectacles Given	Exp	Referred patient for Treatment	Transportation	Total
3rd Oct 2025	Friday	Broadway, Chennai	63	7	35000.00	8	8000.00	13	2000	45000.00
5th Oct 2025	Sunday	Kodungaiyur, CHENNAI	108	12	60000.00	15	15000.00	9	3000	78000.00
8th Oct 2025	Wednesday	Karunkuzhi. Chengalpattu Dist	138	13	65000.00	16	16000.00	18	6000	87000.00
12th Oct 2025	Sunday	Nolambur, Chennai	97	7	35000.00	11	11000.00	13	2000	48000.00
14th Oct 2025	Tuesday	Ambattur Girls High school, Ambattur	537	0	0.00	52	52000.00	38	0	52000.00
15th Oct 2025	Wednesday	Ambattur, chennai	94	8	40000.00	13	13000.00	12	2000	55000.00
17th Oct 2025	Friday	Pozhichalur Chennai	107	11	55000.00	21	21000.00	13	2000	78000.00
24th Oct 2025	Friday	Kolathur, Chennai	121	13	65000.00	17	17000.00	19	2500	84500.00
			1265	71	355000.00	153	153000.00	135	19500	527500
No.of Camp			8							
No.of cataract surgery			71							
No.of Spectacles given			1265							
Referred for treatment			97							

Vocational Service



Pp Rtn. TS Narayanswamy

The Rota Voices of Victory Award

The Sound of Music is magic that transcends time and space—a gentle breath that soothes with soft embrace. Visionary singers Vinod Venugopal and Reshmi kindled a dream called Samagratha Foundation, giving wings to differently-abled and underprivileged musicians. Born from a faith in music's power to heal and uplift, Samagratha creates livelihoods through inclusive training, professional performances, and compassionate support.

Their Inclusive Music Crew transforms every stage into a sanctuary of hope, where courage finds voice and hearts find harmony. Beyond melodies, Samagratha extends its care through

education, therapy, and medical aid, turning silence into song, despair into celebration, and dependence into dignity.

Vinod and Reshmi, as cultural transformers, have shown that music is more than art—it is empathy set to rhythm, equality in chorus, and love in every note. Samagratha stands as an inclusion catalyst, mentoring with compassion and planting seeds of harmony and hope.

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Flash from the past

**Speaker: Thamizhachi Thangapandian
2022**

**President Rtn. Meenakshi Perikarupan
Secretary Rtn. Kavitha Shankar**





RCMT at the District

Pp Rtn.Meenakshi PK



UNITED PRESIDENT'S 2ND MEET

Grand forest theme evening

Organised by Cluster 5,

28 November 2025 at Malayalee Club.

The President's 2nd Meet was celebrated in an exciting and vibrant forest theme, bringing together all club leaders for an evening filled with colour, energy, and warm fellowship. The beautifully designed backdrop, creative costumes, and lively ambience instantly transported everyone into a joyful jungle atmosphere.

The program began with the formal gathering of Presidents, followed by interactions, greetings, and light-hearted moments that highlighted the unity of Cluster 5. Members and families participated enthusiastically, adding charm to the theme with their coordinated outfits.

A special appreciation must be placed on Cluster 5's excellent organisation — from stage arrangements to smooth coordination, every detail reflected planning and teamwork. The event reached its peak with an enjoyable fellowship session, where attendees connected, shared laughs, and strengthened bonds.

And without a doubt, the side dishes and fellowship dinner were the stars of the evening — delicious, memorable, and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!

Overall, it was a memorable night celebrating leadership, friendship, and the spirit of Rotary.



Greetings

Birthday wishes to

1st	Nalini Moorthy
2nd	Sindhu Shyam
3rd	Seema Bhandari
10th	Manish Charodia
19th	Dilip Kumar
21st	Madhushree Karwa
	RV Prasad
23rd	Shankar Voora
28th	Anand Dhanashekar
30th	Pravin Tellakula

Wedding Anniversary wishes to

1st	Sangeeta and R. Gopinath
7th	Sharmila and Rakesh Gadiya



Inspired to Serve

