

Prakruti

A Newsletter of Rotary Club of Thane Green City

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Kindness in Action : Our Club, Our Cause

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From the President's Desk



Greetings,

As we embark on our journey in the Awesome year towards creating a lasting impact in the communities around us, I am reaching out to seek your support and involvement in making this Rotary journey a memorable one.

Our collective strength lies in the rich diversity of our experiences and the infective enthusiasm each one of us bring to our mission. To truly embody the spirit of Rotary and maximize the difference we can make, we need to foster an environment where every meeting is a source of inspiration and every project is a collaborative effort.

Here's how you can help create the Magic of Rotary :

- 1. Engage Actively in Meetings:** Your voice matters! Share your ideas, suggest topics, and participate in discussions. Let's make our meetings a platform for innovative thinking and lively exchanges that energize us all.
- 2. Volunteer for Projects:** Step up and take an active role in our initiatives. Whether it's leading a new project or supporting existing ones, your involvement is crucial to ensuring that our efforts are productive and fulfilling.
- 3. Bring Your Passion:** If you have a particular cause or area of interest, let's explore how we can integrate it into our projects. Your passion can spark new opportunities and drive our mission forward.
- 4. Provide Feedback:** We want to hear from you! Share your thoughts on how we can improve our meetings and projects. Constructive feedback will help us tailor our activities to better meet our collective goals.

Together, let's infuse our Rotary journey with enthusiasm, creativity, and a deep sense of purpose. By working hand in hand, we can make our meetings more meaningful, our fellowships more enjoyable and our projects more relevant, thereby leaving a profound and lasting impact on those who we aspire to serve selflessly.

July 2024 has started on the right note for us. We have initiated/executed multiple high impact community projects that you will read later on in this issue. Let this serve as the beacon of better things to come in the days ahead. Let us together create the Magic of Rotary.

Yours in Rotary
Prasant Patro



1st Monthly Snapshot

Awesome Year Installation - 8th June



President Prasant Patro was installed as the 17th President of our Club in a glittering function held on 8th June in the presence of Chief Guest, DGN Harsh Makol, PDGs – Ashes Ganguly, Mayuresh Warke and Kailash Jethani, DAFSC Chandrahas Shetty, DMC Rav Iyer, AG Sachin Athavale, other Dist.

Official, Co-Presidents, family and friends. President Prasant presented ambitious plans for the Awesome year – merging nostalgia with hope for the future. Scorpio Marine Management India Pvt Ltd., our CSR partner, were felicitated on the occasion. The change of guard - though ceremonial – depicted a smooth transition from the Excellent to the Awesome year.



Awesome President Prasant Patro's Installation program link :
<https://www.facebook.com/100064452171721/videos/1265475684613924/?app=fbl>

Happy Birthday, RCTGC !!! - 11th June

Charter Nite Celebration - 22nd June

Charter Nite and Sukriya was combined to usher in the celebrations of the year that passed by. Out-going President Chandrasekhar Limaye, in his own unique way, thanked all members for their support and co-operation during the Excellent year. Themed "Punjabiyan Swag - Dil se Punjabi", the evening was a concoction of superb performances from members and their families and fellowship over a cocktail spread of delicious food and spirits. The highlight of the evening was the "Santa – Banta" show by our very own Pushan & Sangram.



New Year, New Beginnings - 1st July

The Awesome Year got off to a very spiritual & divine start. 8 Rotary Clubs joined our own RCTGC to commence the Annapurna project by distributing grocery items to the needy at Swami Samarth and 4 Rotary Clubs joined to serve wholesome breakfast at Gurudwara Dashmesh Darbar.. Post that, along with DG Dinesh Mehta, President Prasant Patro



accompanied by First Lady Maitreyee, Rtn Archana Joshi, Rtn Sangram Joshi, Rtn Sangeeta Telang and Ashwini Kunte visited the Iskon Temple to seek the blessings of the Almighty.



1st Club Assembly - 6th July



President Prasant & Treasurer Uday presented the Club & Trust Budgets for the Awesome year 2024-2025 which was approved after deliberations and minor modifications. Secretary Neelam announced the formation of a team "Super 6" which will work closely with the Core team to ensure better attendance and greater participation in meetings/events/projects thru' innovative and creative initiatives. Criteria for judging the "Best

Rotarian Award" was announced. President Prasant appealed to all members to generously donate for the School 19 renovation project 19 (a joint project of 3 Clubs) which would give RCTGC a permanent meeting place for the next 10+ years.

Installation of District Governor - 7th July



A prestigious moment for RCTGC as President Prasant Patro and PP Pushan Vaidya signed MOUs for Skill Centre & Mental Health with Thane Municipal Corporation in the presence of Chief Secretary of Maharashtra, Smt. Sujata Saunik, Addl. Commissioner, TMC, Mr. Prashant Rode, PRIP K Ravindran and DG Dinesh Mehta.

DG's installation link : https://youtu.be/_LYISqjA-Q?si=RohTsnkHJhPEZ8Vh

Speaker Meeting - 13th July



Neuropsychologists Tanvi Dhingankar & Tanvi Ravi shared their expertise and understanding on a very relevant yet not very accepted phenomena "Forgetting to Remember". The interactive session-interspersed with games and activities - focussed on memory and its processes, changes in memory as we age, normal vs abnormal forgetting in daily life and simple memory hacks (strategies to remember). A sizeable audience appreciated the inputs of the Speakers.



Cervical Cancer Vaccination / Mental Health Awareness - 18th & 19th July



RCTGC conducted 4 sessions each for Cervical Cancer Vaccination and Mental Health at 3 Schools – Thirani, Adarsh Bal Vidyamandir and KBP. More than a 1000 students and their parents got 1st hand information about these issues and the remedies for the same.



Rotary TechLab Program – Teacher's Orientation - 19th & 20th July



As part of the Rotary TechLab Program, 8 teachers and 1 co-ordinator were given an orientation program to acquaint them with the teaching pedagogy and methodology, reporting formats and mechanism and general guidelines for managing classrooms. Rotarians and other experts facilitated the 2-day workshop as faculty.



Blood Donation Camp - 21st July

RCTGC conducted its 1st Blood donation drive in collaboration with RCHE. The camp held in Hiranandani Estate on 21st July resulted in collection of 35 units of blood. 4 Greens – Nitin Sharma, Anjali Pai, FL Maitreyie and Pratyush donated a unit of blood each. We appreciate their wonderful gesture.



Feather in Our Cap - Charter Presentation - 21st July



RCTGC sponsored a new Rotary Club – Hiranandani Ivan. The Charter Presentation ceremony and Installation of the Charter President, Chetna Singh was held on 21st July. DG Dinesh Mehta handed over the Charter and President Prasant collared the Charter President. PP Sangram Joshi as the New Club Advisor facilitated and oversaw all preparations for the Charter function.

Launch of Ni-Kshay Mitra initiative - 24th July



This initiative provides us an opportunity to support the weaker sections who are infected with tuberculosis and hence are confined to their homes or hospitalized, thereby losing their livelihood. This RI Dist. 3142 initiative helps provide food baskets to these patients for the first 3 months of their confinement. Launched in the presence of Addl. Municipal Commissioner, Shri Prashant Rode, PRID Ashok Mahajan, DG Dinesh Mehta and other senior TMC Health Department officials, 175 patients were adopted

by 8 Rotary Clubs including 20 by our RCTGC. Our gratitude & appreciation to all the donors of this project in the first quarter.



Rotary District 3142 signs MoU with Thane Municipal Corporation to enhance living conditions of less privileged

By Indira Bhat
Thane: In a bid to uplift the less privileged communities, Rotary District 3142 has partnered with the Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC) through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The signing ceremony, graced by Chief Secretary of Maharashtra Mrs. Sujata Sainik, IAS, marked the installation of District Governor Rtn. Dinesh Mehta. Past International President Rtn. R. Ravindran from Sri Lanka also attended as the chief guest.

The MoU aims to implement several impactful initiatives, including a cervical cancer prevention drive for girls aged 9 to 14, the Rotary Knowledge Enhancement and Training Centre, Project Nikshay for TB patients' nutrition support, the JWILL GITA App for mental health therapy, and the period. Additionally, a Skill Development Centre, supported by RC Thane Lakecity, RC Thane Green City, and RC Thane North, is set to be established, featuring an auditorium.

The partnership also includes plans for constructing 50 check dams, in collaboration with Lions District 3231 -A2, to bolster water conservation efforts in the region.



Jagruti Palak Sanstha - Medicine distribution - 27th July



RCTGC has been distributing medicines to the specially abled children of Jagruti Palak Sanstha for several years now. Medicines for July 2024 were handed over to these children by Mrs. Amruta Narsapur (donor) who subsequently interacted with the students and the care-takers. We thank Mrs. Narsapur for her generosity and kind presence.



Movie Night Out - 27th July

The 1st family get-together of the Awesome year was a Movie Night. Yester-year's classic, Chupke Chupke, was screened at Lodha Amara auditorium. Members & their families enjoyed the movie and then joined for a cock-tail dinner at Taste of India.



The Month that Was – July 2024

Members added	1
Contribution to TRF	USD 500
Contribution to NGF	Rs. 2.68 lakhs
Meetings (Assembly / Speaker / Regular)	2
Fellowship	3
Project	6

Our Gratitude & Sincere Thanks Our Generous Donors

Amit Mohan

Amita Gupta

Ananta Kumar Panigrahi

Aseem Kumar Srivastava

Bibhash Mahapatra

Bibhu Prasad Mishra

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Sabita Guru

Sachin Shanbhag

Sanjay Kumar Patro

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Sarika Kulkarni

Sarthak Panigrahi

Shaswat Mishra

Shilpi Panda

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Sunil Bhalerao

Surabhi Das Sharma

Swagat Mishra

Uday M Bhagwat

V Vijaya Lakshmi

Vendavagali Srinivasa Reddy



A Preview of how August will be for us



As a new month approaches, our curiosity about what it holds for us grows. Fortunately, our astrology expert, Vaastukaar Dr. Bhushan Sonawane has shared his astrological predictions for August 2024. While individual experiences will differ, here's a general outline of what August 2024 might bring for each of the 12 zodiac signs.

Aries

Take control of your life. Acknowledge both your negativity and that of others. Avoid placing too much importance on money. Concentrate on your true personal growth. Your partner might mistreat you, or you might feel trapped. Re-evaluate the situation. Your addiction could lead to mental depression.

Taurus

What you desire is beginning to manifest in your life. You might receive a well-deserved raise or promotion. You may be experiencing some chemistry issues with your partner, but things will improve soon. Be gentle with yourself regarding your health.

Gemini

Romance or an engagement could be on the horizon. Coordination and cooperation are needed in both personal and professional relationships. Strive to maintain a balance between physical and emotional love.

Cancer

Listening to others is your greatest strength, and you love helping those around you. There are strong possibilities for advancement in your business or career. You might meet someone loving and romantic. Be sure to exercise daily to maintain your health.

Leo

Take an honest look at your past actions and consider how you have used or misused your position and authority. Doing this will lead to positive changes in your life. Now is the time to pay off old debts. Sit down with your partner to resolve any issues. Let go of the past, as holding onto memories can affect your health. Meditation and Reiki healing can be beneficial.

Virgo

You may encounter betrayal in both your personal and professional life. Quarrels or a separation from your partner could occur. You might face heart issues or need surgery, so please take proper care of your health. Do not expect any changes in your career at this time.

Libra

You might struggle to accept the reality of your emotions or become selfish or overly emotional in love. It seems there is fear in your mind regarding your love life. There will be no changes in your career or business. Emotional disturbances or imbalances may occur. Please monitor your emotions carefully and take full control of yourself.

Scorpio

An important phase of your life is ending, paving the way for a new beginning. If you accept the inevitable, things will start to change. You might lose a job you dislike or see the end of a relationship. Letting go will lead to positive changes. Please take care of your health.

Sagittarius

Embrace the upcoming opportunity with enthusiasm. New doors are about to open, and you may land the job you applied for. Someone special might capture your heart. If you're currently ill, you can expect a swift recovery.

Capricorn

You are in a favourable position, but it's important to be fair and logical when making decisions, as one wrong choice could negatively impact others. In your relationship, your partner may be blunt or distant. Instead of reacting, give them space and address any issues calmly. It appears you're neglecting your health, which isn't advisable. You might face surgery or other health problems, so please cooperate with your doctor.

Aquarius

This month, new luck is on its way to you. You might receive a new job or business opportunity, marking the start of prosperity, happiness, and pleasure. There could also be a successful launch of a new business venture. However, you may experience some emotional and mental imbalances.

Pisces

A new relationship may be on the horizon. Make decisions and anticipate improvements in your career. Your current relationship may be experiencing tension, so avoid confrontation. If you're ill, consider seeking a second opinion.

