

ROTARY CLUB OF SOLAPUR

RAINBOW

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Monthly Newsletter

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President Message

Dear fellow Rotarians,

It gives me immense joy to present the third bulletin of our club for RY 2025-26. Each page reflects the passion, energy, and commitment of our club members. The month of August was truly enthralling and

engaging!! Many service projects, Rotary Annapurna Celebration, New members' orientation and induction, Rotaract club's installation and the cherry on the cake was the award ceremony at Jalna for RY2024-25!! As we reflect on the past month, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude.

Membership Growth – August is Rotary Membership Development month. Our members are our strength, our pride, and our family!! Thanks to our club Membership Director Rtn. Anand Gundyal and the dedicated efforts of his committee, and the warm, inclusive spirit of every member here, we welcomed 17 new members into our Rotary family.

This growth is not just about numbers – it is about energy, fresh perspectives, and expanding our reach to serve even more meaningfully. Following Rotary's DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) policy, we invited members from different age groups, cultural backgrounds, genders, classifications, socio-economic standards, etc. But each new member brings with them unique talents and a renewed passion to make a difference. I encourage all of us to continue being ambassadors of Rotary, inspiring others in our community to join this noble mission.

Exciting Award Ceremony RY 2024-25 – We witnessed the magic of devoted efforts of our members at Vijayotsav at Jalna. IPDG Dr Suresh Saboo Sir and his team appreciated our efforts and celebrated the outstanding contributions made by members and committees over the last Rotary year. These awards are not just trophies or titles – they are symbols of dedication, teamwork, and the impact we are making on lives across Solapur and beyond.

Let me extend my **heartfelt congratulations to all the award winners – especially IPP Rtn CA Sunil Maheshwari**. Rtn. Sunil demonstrated what true leadership looks like - marked by vision, meticulous planning, and a deep commitment to service. And that made him the Best President of Rotary District 3132. Congratulations IPP!!

Our club also showed outstanding teamwork. Whether you've led a project, supported behind the scenes, or inspired others with your service - you have made the Rotary Club of Solapur shine brighter. Thank you!

Moving Forward – Let us carry this momentum forward. Our goals for this year and in upcoming years are ambitious, but with the spirit I see in our team, I have no doubt we will achieve them – together. Let us continue to grow, to serve, and to uplift. Let us Unite for Good!!

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Rtn. CA Sunil Maheshwari
President 2024-25

**RC SOLAPUR
TEAM ROCK STARS
DISTRICT AWARDS
2024-25**

Rtn. Brijkumar Goydani
Secretary 2024-25

No.	Award / Felicitation at District
01	Best President in RID 3132 Diamond Award
02	1st Position Rtn CA Sunil Maheshwari (Rotating Trophy)
03	Best Administered Club Diamond Award 1st position (Rotating Trophy)
04	Highest TRF Giving in District Diamond Award 1st Position (Rotating Trophy)
05	Best Managed Trust Diamond Award 1st Rank in District (Rotating Trophy)
06	Best Club Secretary Zone A Diamond Award 1st position Rtn Brijkumar Goydani
07	Best Rotary Information within club Diamond Award 1st position
08	Highest attendance in Virat District conference Diamond Award 1st Position
09	Best District Governor Official Visit Award
10	APF contribution \$15000 or more Gold Trophy
11	100% giving club award
12	District Quiz 1st Rank award Rtn Dhanashri Kelkar
13	District Governor Citation for the club
14	Special Felicitation for Successfully Hosting DTA "Diksha"
15	Net Membership Growth Platinum Award 2nd Position
16	Best Vocational Service Project Platinum Award 2nd position
17	Best Teacher Support Platinum Award 2nd position
18	Contribution to Polio Plus Fund Golden Award 3rd Position
19	APF Contribution Golden Award 3rd Position
20	Best Child Health Care Golden Award 3rd Position
21	Best sponsored new club in last 2 years Golden Award 3rd position
22	Best Dist. Director in RID 3132 Platinum Award 2nd position Rtn Shanta Yellambkar
23	Best Asst. Governor Zone A Diamond Award 1st Position Rtn Suhas Lahoti
24	District Quiz 3rd rank award Rtn CA Sunil Maheshwari
25	Best Support Sergeant at Arms Rtn Dhanashri Kelkar Felicitation
26	CSR - Rotary Ki Digital Pathshala - PP Patel & Co. Felicitation
27	Felicitation Kashmir Medical Mission PDG Rajiv Pradhan
28	AG Felicitation Rtn Suhas Lahoti
29	Felicitation Rtn Shanta Yellambkar Cultural Director

Rotary International Recognitions	
01	RI Club Excellence Award
02	Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) Club
03	100% Foundation Giving Club



1. Preventive Health for Women Seminar – August 1, 2025

A seminar focusing on preventive healthcare for women was delivered by Dr. Kusum Moray, Belati. She gave her expert advice on menstrual hygiene, cervical cancer screening, exercise, and nutritional awareness. An educational documentary film on unnecessary hysterectomy was also screened.

2. Breastfeeding Awareness Week – August 1, 5 and 6, 2025

The club organized a Breastfeeding Awareness Seminar for nursing students at Gangamai Hospital. Dr. Gauri Kahate addressed 180 students on how nurses can be a great resource for new mothers in their breastfeeding process. In association with SOGS, we conducted seminar on educating new and expectant mothers about the importance and advantages of breastfeeding, related challenges and family support at Duffrin and Civil Hospital. We distributed protein powder, dates, nutritional supplies, and medicines, etc to more than 200 women.

3. District Awards Celebration at Jalna - August 3, 2025

Members participated in the District Awards Ceremony - "Vijayotsav" at Jalna, where our club was recognized for outstanding service and bagged more than 30 awards including Best President of the district, Diamond Secretary in the zone, and many more prestigious awards!! Details in photo report.

4. Rotary Annapurna Day Celebration – August 4, 2025

The 18th Anniversary Celebration of Rotary Annapurna Yojana happened at Dream Palace Banquet Hall. On this day, Rotarians bought beneficiaries in their cars, offered them gifts, and gave delicious feast. The chief guests - Deputy RTO Mr. Vijay Patil and well-known teacher Mr. Keshav Shinde Sir - appreciated the efforts taken by club and Udyogvardhini team for these beneficiaries.

5. Tree plantation and Blood Donation – August 4, 2025

Rotary Club of Solapur organized Tree plantation drive and Blood Donation camp at Chandak Bagicha, Solapur on the occasion of PP Rtn. Kishor Chandak's birthday celebration. Chadak pariwar welcomed us and arranged delicious breakfast for all. 25 Trees – mainly Chafa (Plumeria flower), Bakul (Bulletwood or Indian Medlar), Parijatak (Coral Jasmine Tree), and Palm trees were planted. 28 bottles of blood were collected through this drive.

6. Rotaract Club of DHB Soni College Induction – August 8, 2025

The newly formed Rotaract Club of DHB Soni College, Solapur was formally inducted in a vibrant ceremony attended by Rotarians, faculty, and students. Rtr Mohammad Saad Kaladgi is Charter President and Rtr Jyoti Kale is Charter Secretary. PDG Zubin Amaria was the installing officer and the chairman of DHB Soni College Mr. Madhusudan Karwa was the guest of honour.

7. Office Opening of District Governor 2026-27-August 10, 2025

We are pleased to announce the grand opening of office of the District Governor 2026-27 Rtn. Jayeshbhai Patel!! The newly established District Service and Leadership Center (Fondly called as Dil Se office) will serve as a vital hub for coordinating essential public services, engaging community stakeholders' meetings, and planning of district's future projects.

8. New Members Orientation – August 10, 2025

रोटरी एक प्रेरणा - New Members Orientation Program – Rotary Club of Solapur conducted Orientation Program for all new members in Solapur and Dharashiv districts. It was a vibrant and engaging seminar where 120+ enthusiastic members attended the event. All of the seniors shared invaluable insights, personal experiences, and practical tips to help the newcomers feel right at home.

9. Organ Donation Awareness Rally – August 13, 2025

The club participated in a public rally to promote organ donation awareness. 3000 students from various colleges participated.

10. India's Independence Day Celebration – August 15, 2025

Club members celebrated Independence Day at Rotary Red Cross Swagati School, Solapur. This year we donated sports equipment – outdoor sports such as basket-ball set, badminton set as well as indoor sports such as carrom set, board games etc. Students performed patriotic songs as well as delivered speeches.

11. District Membership Seminar at Akluj – August 17, 2025

Representatives of our club attended "Membrix" at Akluj. Our club was awarded with Shikhar trophy - for top 5 registrations for the event. We got Trailblazer club recognition for membership growth in the district. The event was held beautifully where strategies for sustainable growth, retention, and engagement were discussed.

12. New Members Induction & Family Dinner – August 19, 2025

The Rotary Club of Solapur hosted a warm and memorable New Members Induction and Family Dinner, marking a significant occasion in the club's calendar. The evening was graced by the presence of PDG Dr. Omprakash Motipawale as the Chief Guest. We inducted 17 dynamic new members in our Rotary family.

13. Dental Check-up Camp at Podar International School – August 29, 2025

In association with Smt. Ramdevi Kabra Charitable Trust and PDU Dental College and led by Ann Dr. Etika Kabra, Rotary Club of Solapur conducted a dental check-up and oral hygiene seminar at Podar International School, Solapur. The initiative benefited over 550 students, focusing on raising awareness about oral health and hygiene through on-site dental examinations.

14. Seminar on Good touch/Bad touch at Kuchan Prashala – August 29, 2025

Rotary Club of Solapur organized an awareness seminar on Good Touch / Bad Touch at Kuchan Prashala which was conducted by Rtn. Dr. Shonali Valsangkar. It focused on child safety, awareness, and personal boundaries and essential knowledge for their well-being.

15. Shoes Donation to needy students at Kuchan Prashala – August 29, 2025

Rotary Club of Solapur, in association with the Solapur Private Hospital Owners Association, donated shoes to 50 needy students at Kuchan Prashala. This initiative aimed to support underprivileged children and promote comfort and dignity in their educational journey.

VIJAYOTSAV - District Awards Celebration at Jalna



Dynamic Duo with 30+ Awards



Best Administered Club in District



Best AG Zone A Rtn Suhas Lahoti



Best Managed Rotary Club Trust



Best President in the District
Rtn CA Sunil Maheshwari



Best Secretary Zone A
Rtn Brijkumar Goydani



CSR Felicitation P P Patel & Co



District Director Platinum Award
Rtn Shanta Yellambkar



Rotary Int. Quiz Competition 1st Rank
Rtn Dhanashri Kelkar



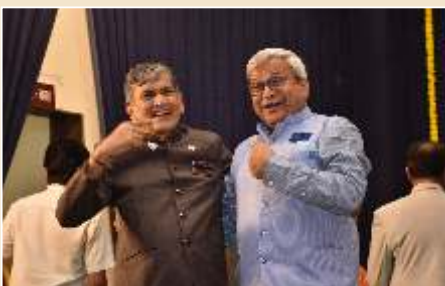
Enjoyment for collecting awards



Felicitation for Sgt at Arms Rtn Dhanashri Kelkar



Highest Giving to TRF



Lighter Moments



Team Solapur Bus



Team Solapur

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डिस्ट्रिक्ट लिटरसी डायरेक्टर २०२५-२६.

डिस्ट्रिक्ट ३१३२ मध्ये रोटरी क्लब ऑफ सोलापूर म्हटले की मोठा क्लब, ऍक्टिव्ह क्लब, वर्षभरात सर्वात जास्त प्रकल्प करणारा क्लब. ज्या क्लबमध्ये PDG डॉ. राजीव प्रधान, PDG झुबिन अमारिया असे डिस्ट्रिक्टचे नेतृत्व केलेले अनुभवी ज्येष्ठ रोटेरियन आहेत, तसेच पुढच्या वर्षी DGE रो. जयेशभाई पटेल हे डिस्ट्रिक्टचे नेतृत्व करणार आहेत. यावर्षी आपल्या क्लबच्या अध्यक्षा रो. धनश्री केळकर व सचिव रो. निलेश फोफलिया हे क्लबची धुरा सांभाळत आहेत. नक्कीच हे दोघे यावर्षी सर्वांना बरोबर घेऊन सर्व Avenues मध्ये चांगले काम करणार आहेत आणि विशेष करून लिटरसी मध्ये वर्षभरात भरपूर प्रकल्प करणार आहेत असे त्यांनी सांगितले आहे, त्याबद्दल त्यांचे खूप खूप अभिनंदन करतो.

आपले डिस्ट्रिक्ट गव्हर्नर सुधीरजी लातूरे यांच्या नेतृत्वाखाली आणि लिटरसी टीमच्या काउंसीलर PDG स्वाती हेरकल यांच्या मार्गदर्शनाने, मी डिस्ट्रिक्ट डायरेक्टर प्रमोद शिंदे आणि आमची डिस्ट्रिक्ट मधील पूर्ण टीम काम पाहणार आहोत. लिटरसी मध्ये आपण यावर्षी हॅपी स्कूल साठी स्पेशल फोकस करत आहोत. हॅपी स्कूल म्हणजे काय? तर ज्या जिल्हा परिषद शाळा किंवा माध्यमिक शाळांना गरजू गोष्टीपैकी पाच गोष्टी तुम्ही क्लब तर्फे दिल्या की ती शाळा हॅपी स्कूल होते. अशा पाच गोष्टी त्या शाळेमध्ये द्या की त्यांच्यामुळे मुलांच्यात बदल दिसला पाहिजे, मुलांना आपली शाळा हॅपी स्कूल झाल्यानंतर त्या शाळेमध्ये येण्यासाठी आनंदी वाटले पाहिजे. साधारणतः खालील पैकी पाच गोष्टी तुम्ही शाळेत देऊ शकता. मुली-मुलांसाठी सेपरेट टॉयलेट्स बांधून देणे किंवा पूर्वीचे असेल तर सुव्यवस्थित करून देणे, पिण्याच्या स्वच्छ पाण्याची सोय करून देणे, हॅन्ड वॉश युनिट देणे, शाळेचे रंगकाम करून देणे, पुस्तक लायब्ररी देणे, डिजिटल क्लासरूम देणे, खेळाचे साहित्य देणे, मिनी सायन्स सेंटर देणे, मुलींसाठी सायकली देणे.

आपल्या क्लबमधून वर्षभरात कमीत कमी पाच हॅपी स्कूल कराव्यात अशी अपेक्षा आहे. साधारणतः एका हॅपी स्कूल साठी अडीच ते पाच लाखापर्यंत खर्च येतो. आर्थिक मदतीसाठी आपण क्लबमधून सदस्य, शाळेतील माजी विद्यार्थी, मदत करणारा कोणताही ट्रस्ट, आणि आपले मित्र मंडळ यांच्याकडून देणगी घेऊ शकता. पाच हॅपी स्कूल करणे अवघड नाही. मी रोटरी वर्ष २०१८-१९ मध्ये क्लब अध्यक्ष असताना एका वर्षामध्ये २६ हॅपी स्कूल केल्या होत्या आणि त्याचा खर्च एक करोड पर्यंत गेला होता.

आपल्या क्लबचे सदस्य DGE जयेशभाई पटेल हे गेल्यावर्षीपासून दरवर्षी १०० डिजिटल क्लासरूम देत आहेत. त्यासाठी मी त्यांचे खूप खूप कौतुक आणि अभिनंदन करतो. टीचर्स ट्रेनिंगसाठी आपण प्रयत्न करावेत. ते खूप गरजेचे आहे असे DG सुधीर लातूरे यांचे म्हणणे आहे. लिटरसी कौन्सिलर स्वाती मंडम यांच्या माध्यमातून डिस्ट्रिक्ट तर्फे आपण यावर्षी टीचर्स ट्रेनिंग साठी खास प्रकल्प राबवणार आहोत. नेशनबिल्डर अवॉर्डसाठी आपल्याला लवकरच चार्ट पाठवला जाईल. त्याप्रमाणे आपण शिक्षकांचा सन्मान करावा. यावर्षी टीचर सपोर्ट, ई-लर्निंग, एडल्ट लिटरसी, चाइल्ड डेव्हलपमेंट, हॅपी स्कूल, बुक बँक लायब्ररी, नेशन बिल्डर अवॉर्ड सारखे अनेक प्रकल्प आपण डिस्ट्रिक्ट मध्ये करणार आहोत. यासाठी आपला क्लब नक्कीच तयार असेल. आणि वर्षभर उत्कृष्ट काम करणार याची मला खात्री आहे.

मी पुन्हा एकदा क्लब अध्यक्ष रो. धनश्री केळकर, सचिव रो. निलेश फोफलिया, आणि सर्व बोर्ड ऑफ डायरेक्टर्स तसेच रोटरी सदस्य यांना या रोटरी नवीन वर्षासाठी खूप खूप शुभेच्छा देतो. धन्यवाद.



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डिस्ट्रिक्ट लिटरसी कमिटी चेअर

Upcoming Projects

 Distribution of English-to-Marathi Dictionaries for Municipal Schools in Solapur	 Teachers' Training	 Nation Builder Awards
 Science Laboratory	 Sports Equipment to school	 Sanitary Pad vending machine donation to school & many more projects for Rotary Happy School!! Stay Tuned!!

EDITORIAL

Dear Rotarians,

This is our Third Bulletin of RY 2025-26. August went by fast as a vibrant month for club activities as well as my personal new business venture. Glad to cover all impactful community outreach programs, engaging fellowship events, and growth of our Rotary family. Our members demonstrated passion and purpose at every step. As we turn the page to September, we shift our focus to one of Rotary's important area of focus-literacy. With meaningful initiatives on the horizon, we look forward to empowering minds and building a more educated tomorrow. Let's continue to shine the light of service in all we do!

Rtn. Akash Bahety - Editor, RY 2025-26



Rotary Annapurna Day Celebration - August 4, 2025



Thank you Miniyar family for your generosity.



Fun filled moments for beneficiaries



Shahi Bhoj for beneficiaries

New Member Orientation - August 10, 2025



Inaguration By DG Sudhirji Lature



DGE Jayesh Patel - Responsibilities of Rotarian



RC Solapur New Members at the orientation

District Membership Seminar "Membrix" at Akulj – August 17, 2025



Having a good time at the district seminar



Winning Top 5 Shikhar Trophy



Recognition for membership growth

New Members Induction & Family Dinner - August 19, 2025



Future Rotarian in Making



Welcome to Rotary Club of Solapur Family!



Guidance by PDG Dr Omprakash Motipawale

Weekly Meetings in August



Weekly Meeting 5



Modak Competition for Ganapati Utsav



Seminar on Preventive Health for Women

ROTARY CLUB OF SOLAPUR IN NEWS



SERVICE PROJECTS @ A GLANCE FOR AUGUST 2025



Blood Donation Camp at Chandak Bagicha



Breastfeeding Awareness Seminar for nursing students and staff at Dufferin Hospital - Speaker Rtn. Dr. Saman Tamboli



Breastfeeding Awareness Seminar for nursing students and staff at Gangamai Hospital Speaker Dr. Gauri Kahate



Charter Presentation and Installation of Rotaract Club of DHB Soni College



Dental Check-up Camp at Podar Int. School by Ann Dr. Etika Kabra



Distribution of Protein Powder and Nutritional Supplements to expectant and new mothers at Civil Hospital



Distribution of Protein Powder and Nutritional Supplements to expectant and new mothers at Dufferin Hospital



Rotary members at Ganapati Arati at Kuchan High School



Shoes donation at Kuchan High School

Introducing our new members - RC Solapur expanding family.....



Rtn. Dhanraj Yadwad



Rtn. Dhiraj Javalkar



Rtn. Dr. Keshav Valase



Rtn. Dr. Sachin Puranik



Rtn. Dr. Saman Tamboli



Rtn. Mahesh Rayban



Rtn. Malati Prabhakar



Rtn. Manish Baldawa



Rtn. Manoj Baldawa



Rtn. Prakash Arsid



Rtn. Pratik Mehta



Rtn. Revansiddha Kapse



Rtn. Shruti
Moholkar-Kothadia



Rtn. Shyamsundar
Khandelwal



Rtn. Someshwar Yabaji



Rtn. Sanjay Madur



Rtn. Shantveer Shete



Dil se... District Service and Leadership Centre



DG 2026-27 Office Opening



District Service and Leadership Centre



Dignitaries at DG 2026-27 Office Opening

Lead 25 Aim High – Rotary India Leadership Conclave on August 23-24 at Chennai



Lead 25 - RC Solapur Team



Lead 25 - With District Governor Sudhir Lature Sir



Lead 25 - Friends Forever!

Star Performers

Week 1	Rtn Dr Saman Tamboli	Project chair and speaker for Breastfeeding Awareness Project
Week 2	IPP Rtn CA Sunil Maheshwari	Project chair for Rotaract club of DHB Soni College charter presentation event and for being a great advisor for them
Week 3	Membership Development Director Rtn Anand Gundyal	Project chair for both New Members Orientation and New Members Induction Programs. Great work on motivating and encouraging members to attend District Membership Seminar.
Week 4	Rtn Dr Shonali Valsangkar	Great seminar on Good touch/Bad touch and overall well-being for Kuchan Prashala students. Also great support for club events such as Annapurna celebration.
Week 5	Ann Sarita Phofaliya	Excellent initiative for bringing all Anns together for club activities. Led modak competition event for Ganapati festival.

Rotarian of the Month	Vice President Rtn Sandeep Jhaveri	It is rare to find someone who works so selflessly, without seeking recognition, always focused on good work and stays behind scenes. Thank you for your unwavering support and dedication to our Rotary Club work!!
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Rtn Pratik Mehta	4 Sept
Rtn Prashant Singi	5 Sept
Rtn Shanta Yellambkar	9 Sept
Rtn Vidhya Manure	9 Sept
Rtn Dhanashri Kelkar	9 Sept
Rtn Shrikrishna Galgali	11 Sept
Rtn Someshwar Yabaji	12 Sept
PP Rtn Shivaji Upare	16 Sept
Rtn Bhimashankar Sulakhe	17 Sept
Rtn Sapna Rambhia	21 Sept
PP Rtn Dr Jyoti Chidgupkar	26 Sept
Rtn Nilesh Patel	26 Sept

Congratulations !



Indian Red Cross Society, Solapur Branch has been awarded with the prestigious **NC Puri Rotating Trophy** for the year 2023-24 by IRCS, Maharashtra for the great humanitarian work by the Blood Centre. It is managed by a committee comprising of maximum Rtns of our Club. Kudos to the efforts of **Jayeshbhai, Dr. Rajiv Pradhan, Khushal, Sandeep and entire staff of IRCS, Solapur.**



Heartiest Congratulations to **PP Rtn Suhas Lahoti** for his participation in activity for Guinness World Records for the most life insurance policies sold in 24 hr!!



Ann Shweta Agrawal	2 Sept
Ann Swarupa Gandhi	3 Sept
Ann Kavita Bakle	6 Sept
Ann Sonal Jhaveri	16 Sept
Ann Anagha Bidkar	17 Sept
Ann Sangeeta Gundyal	21 Sept
Ann Dr Meenal Chidgupkar	25 Sept
Ann Rekha Kanekar	28 Sept