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Physiotherapy Centre



Establishment : 1975

Facilities : Advance equipments, Special attendance of Physiotherapist to every patient, Doubt clearance of every patient, Advance techniques by Physiotherapist, 35 Types of treatments are available, The above facilities given at nominal charges.

Patient Treated Daily Approx. : 80-100

Benefitted patients Approx. : 2000+ per month

Instruments / Treatments :

Matrix Rhythm Therapy Machine, MWD, Ultra Sound, IFT, TENS, Traction, Russian Current, Electrical Muscle Stimulation, CPM, Paraffin Wax Bath, S.W.D. and Different kinds of Exercise materials

Patients type : Paralysis, Polio, Fractures, Accidents Spondylosis etc.

Well trained Physiotherapist & Technical Staff

Rajarshi Shahu Blood Centre



Establishment : 1975

(Largest Blood Bank in Western Maharashtra)

Features : Providing uninterrupted service since, Collecting more than 10000 units per year. Conducting 150 camps in and around Kolhapur, Promoting only Voluntary Blood Donation.

Well trained Doctors & Technical Staff

Facilities : Component Separation Unit :

Providing Packed Cells, 24 Hours plan, Chemiluminescent immunoassay analyzer for testing Blood & Blood Products, Random Donor Platelets, Fresh Frozen Plasma and Cryoprecipitate,

Aphaeresis Unit : Providing Single Donor Platelets. Fully equipped Component & Aphaeresis Lab. Automation in Blood Grouping with Gel Technology.

NAT (Multiplex Nucleic Acid Test) :

Ensures greater safety in transfusion (Detects HIV1/2, HBV and HCV in blood donors)

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Guest Visit to our Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra, Kolhapur



RRFC PDG Rtn. Surendra Bommireddy, along with Rotarians from various RID 3170 clubs, visited Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra. They were joined by Rtn. Varun Gupta from RC Mumbai Island, Dr. Yashwant S. Patil Thorat, and members of RC Hupari. The visitors appreciated that we execute our Rotary Samaj Seva projects with exceptional dedication and excellence, and praised the centre's impactful social work.

The guests also expressed confidence in the centre's vision and assured their support for future initiatives, making the visit truly inspiring.



Know your



Polio Fund

Rotary International's commitment to ending polio continues to inspire global partnerships and extraordinary progress. Since launching the PolioPlus program in 1985, Rotary has contributed over \$2.9 billion and played a leading role in reducing global polio cases by more than 99.9%. Through the Global Polio Eradication Initiative—which includes WHO, UNICEF, the CDC, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation—Rotary advocates for funding, mobilizes communities, and helps deliver lifesaving vaccines to children worldwide. Rotary's Impact in the Fight Against Polio Rotary, as a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, has helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children around the world. Through sustained advocacy, Rotary's efforts have helped secure commitments of over \$11 billion from donor governments to support eradication activities. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation continues to match every Rotary dollar raised two-to-one, further amplifying the impact of our contributions. Rotary members have contributed countless volunteer hours, from supporting immunization campaigns to raising awareness in their communities. Thanks to the dedication of Rotary members and our partners, the world is closer than ever to ending polio for good. Let's continue doing our part to ensure a polio-free future for every child.

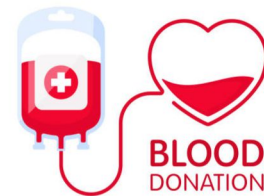


Blood Donation Camps

Total Blood Donation Camp: 21

Total Number of Pints Collected: 822 pints

Total Number of Beneficiaries: 2466



What goes around comes around!

This is a true story that had happened in 1892 at Stanford University.

An 18-year-old student was struggling to pay his fees. He was an orphan, and not knowing where to turn for money, he came up with a bright idea. Friend and he decided to host a musical concert on campus to raise money for their education.

They reached out to the great pianist Legacy J. Paderewski. , who was performing in Sanfransisco.



His manager demanded a guaranteed fee of \$2000 for the piano recital. A deal was struck and the boys began to work to make the concert a success. The big day arrived. Paderewski performed at Stanford. But unfortunately, they had not managed to sell enough tickets. The total collection was only \$1600. Disappointed, they went to Paderewski and explained their plight. They gave him the entire \$1600, plus a cheque for the balance \$400. They promised to honour the cheque at the soonest possible.

“No,” said Paderewski. “This is not acceptable.” He tore up the cheque, returned the \$1600 & paid an additional \$ 1000 and told the two boys keep the money you need for your fees. The boys were surprised and thanked him profusely.

It was a small act of kindness. But it clearly marked out Paderewski as a great human being.

Paderewski later went on to become the Prime Minister of Poland. He was a great leader, but unfortunately, when World War began, Poland was ravaged. There were more than 1.5 million people starving in his country, and no money to feed them. Paderewski did not know where to turn for help. He reached out to the US Food and Relief Administration for help.

The head there was a man called Herbert Hoover, who later went on to become the US President. Hoover agreed to help and quickly shipped tons of food grains to feed the starving Polish people.

A calamity was averted. Paderewski was relieved. He decided to go across to meet Hoover and personally thank him. When Paderewski began to thank Hoover for his noble gesture, Hoover quickly interjected and said, “You shouldn’t be thanking me, Mr Prime Minister. You may not remember this, but several years ago, you helped two young students go through college in the US. I was one of them.” Because of your kindness, I could complete my graduation & now stand before you as the President of the USA.

The world is a wonderful place. What goes around comes around!

Article sent by - Rtn. Girish Joshi

“ Doing good to others out of compassion is good, but the Seva (service) of all beings in the spirit of the Lord is better. ” - Swami Vivekananda



KHASBAG MAIDAN

– THE LIVING HEART OF KOLHAPUR'S TRADITION & PRIDE

Few places in Kolhapur capture the city's spirit as powerfully as Khasbag Maidan. More than a wrestling arena, it is a cultural monument where discipline, strength, and community come alive. For over a century, it has shaped Kolhapur's identity as Maharashtra's wrestling capital.

A Glorious Legacy

Built during the reign of the Kolhapur Chhatrapatis, Khasbag Maidan is one of India's largest and oldest wrestling grounds. Designed like a traditional "akhada," it can accommodate thousands who gather to witness the skill and courage of pehelwans from across the region.

At its center lies the sacred Huda—the mud pit prepared with milk, butter, turmeric, and herbs—symbolizing purity, healing, and the deep respect for the sport.

Nurturing Generations of Champions

Khasbag has produced many national and international champions trained under strict gurukul-style discipline. Numerous renowned wrestlers began their journey here, carrying Kolhapur's legacy to global arenas.

Today, it remains the training ground for:

- Aspiring wrestlers, - Experienced gurus and ustads, - National-level athletes

Its traditional environment ensures wrestling remains not just a sport but a way of life.

Home to the Prestigious Maharashtra Kesari

The annual Maharashtra Kesari tournament draws massive crowds and electrifies the maidan with cheers, drums, lezim, and celebration. Winning this title at Khasbag is considered one of the highest honors for any wrestler.

A Place of Community & Heritage

Beyond wrestling, Khasbag has been:

- A venue for cultural festivals, - A stage for public gatherings
- A symbol during social movements, - A landmark reflecting Kolhapur's heritage

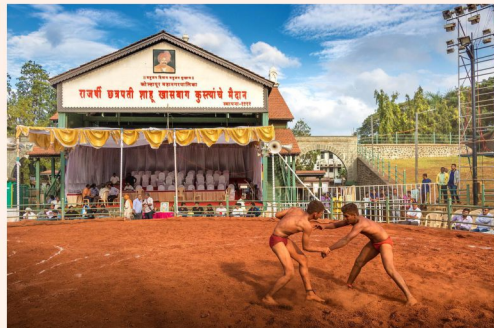
Its values of discipline, respect, and unity echo the ideals upheld by Rotary.

Preserving a Treasure for the Future

As Kolhapur grows, preserving spaces like Khasbag is essential. Supporting akhadas and young athletes will keep this century-old legacy alive for generations.

Khasbag Maidan is more than a venue—it is Kolhapur's pride, its history, and a lasting inspiration for all who believe in hard work and perseverance.

Article sent by - **Rtn. Dr. Vaibhav Sasurkar**



Greetings

From -
ROTARY CLUB OF KOLHAPUR



Happy Birthday



Rtn. Narayan Patodia - 30th Oct.

Happy Wedding Anniversary

Rtn. Arvind Krishnan - 31st Oct.

Rtn. Shobha Arvind - 31st Oct.

RC Kolhapur's UPCOMING KEY PROJECTS



Saturday - 29th November 2025



Saturday, 13th December 2025



Sat.-Sun., 17-18th January 2026

NEXT MEETING



DATE:
**Wednesday,
5th November 2025**

TIME:
5:30 PM

GUEST

PDG. Rtn. Pratap Puranik

SUBJECT

**The Rotary Universe:
Information and Knowledge**

**Venue : Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra,
Shri. Madhav Prasad Goenka Bhavan, 3rd Floor,
Smt. Kamal Govind Gundesha Hall,
Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra, Kolhapur**



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with PRIDE**



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Kolhapur**



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ROTARY CLUB OF KOLHAPUR**

**WE MEET EVERY
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