

# RCTGS Bulletin

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# Our District Governor - Dinesh Mehta

District Governor Dinesh Mehta is one of the stallwort Rotarians in District 3142. Dinesh was invited to join Rotary Club of Thane Lake city in 2001-2002. He became President in 2007-2008 and set several Benchmarks -:



- 1. Highest ever Membership Growth
- 2. Highest ever Donation to the Rotary Foundation

3. First ever Matching Grant for construction of Check Dam near Bhiwandi.

He led the hugely impactful Global Grant Project at Mahavir Jain Hospital in Thane with TMC and JITO to establish a Diagnostics and Ophthalmic Centre, providing operational theatre equipments and set up a Dialysis Center with Rotary Club of Thane and a PICU with the help of PRID Ashok Mahajan. Throughout his Rotary career, Mehta has held various leadership roles:

- Assistant Governor (2012-2013)
- District Secretary (2015–2016)
- Chief Coordinator (2017-2018)
- Avenue Chair for The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Support, where he played a pivotal role in raising \$1.14 million for TRF, positioning District 3142 among the top contributors globally.

His dedication has been recognized with several awards, including the RI Club Builder Award (2015–2016) and the Rotary District Service Award on four occasions. Notably, he received the Citation for Meritorious Service from The Rotary Foundation and was honored with the Frontline Warriors Award by the Governor of Maharashtra, Bhagat Singh Koshiyari.

A committed philanthropist, Mehta is a Major Donor, Paul Harris Society Member, and Benefactor to The Rotary Foundation. His family shares his passion for service; his wife, Jyoti, was a charter member of the Inner Wheel Club and a member of the Rotary Club of Thane Lake City. Their children are also engaged in professional pursuits: Kritika is pursuing medical studies, Bhavika is studying law, and Vansh is involved in the family business, operating from Dubai.

Mehta's leadership continues to inspire and drive impactful initiatives within the Rotary community.

# From President's desk



#### Dear Rotarians,

At the outset, let me extend heartfelt congratulations to our dynamic and dedicated Club President for 2023– 24, Rtn. Vinit Gadkari, for leading the Rotary Club of Thane Greenspans through a truly impactful year. Under his inspiring leadership, our club launched several meaningful community service initiatives truly

reflecting our commitment to Rotary's core values. I am deeply honored and grateful to all of you for placing your trust in me and giving me the opportunity to serve as the 8th President of this vibrant and fast-growing club in RI District 3142. It is a privilege to lead RC Thane Greenspans, a club that continues to shine with exceptional growth and spirited participation in every facet of Rotary life.

Over the past five years, we have seen steady and encouraging growth in our membership. What makes this journey even more special is the way we've embraced and integrated every new member, fostering a culture of inclusivity and active involvement. Our members have not only stepped up to shoulder responsibilities within the club and at the district level but have also delivered on them with remarkable dedication.

We began this Rotary year on a high note—welcoming three new members during our installation ceremony, graced by the auspicious and inspiring presence of PDG Dr. Mohan Chandavarkar. Our journey into 2024–25 started with enthusiasm and purpose as we kicked off with the 'Drop of Hope' blood donation camp on 14th July 2024, held at the Sharad Pawar Mini Sports Complex in Dhokali. Friends, this Rotary year has been named the Awesome Year—a theme that challenges and inspires us to give our best in everything we do. Let us commit ourselves wholeheartedly—in thought, word, and action—to live up to the spirit of this theme.

Rtn. Uday Dabhade President

In-house Newsletter of



# Mega Blood Donation Camp



Rotary Club and Rotaract Club of Thane Greenspans successfully completed its first project of the Awesome year – the Blood donation Drive and Thalassemia Awareness Session on 14th July 2024 at the Sharad Pawar Mini Sports Stadium, Dhokali, Thane West. Dr Varsha Panchal from Triumph Blood Bank deliberated about the importance of Thalassemia check for the young couples before conceiving so that the new-born is averted with the possible genetic disorder of Thalassemia major. A total of 37 blood units were collected and additionally 18 number of people were checked for Thalassemia detection.

As we all know a lot of blood data needs to be saved in computer, therefore on the request of the Triumph Blood Bank our own Rotarian Awesome Secretary Sanjay Jadhav donated a computer and fulfilled their requirement.

Event Calendar 2024-25		
Date	Event	
21-Jul-24	District Blood Donation	
04-Aug-24	District PI Seminar	
10-Aug-24	District Picnic	
15-Aug-24	District Annapurna Day	
14-Sep-24	District RYLA	
22-Sep-24	Onam Celebration	
28-Sep-24	TRF Seminar I	
12-0ct-24	District Dandiya	
13-0ct-24	District Mental Health Seminar	
23-Nov-24	TRF Seminar II	
24-Nov-24	ROTAL Final	
29-Nov-24	District Membership Seminar I	
21-Dec-24	District Christmas Celebration	
05-Jan-25	District Patrakar Diwas	
12-Jan-25	District Marathon	
19-Jan-25	Young Masters Chess Championship	
23-Feb-25	District Peace Seminar	
01-Mar-25	Awesome Discon	
13-Apr-25	RCTG OCV	
20-Apr-25	DLA for Titen Year	
26-Apr-25	TRF Seminar III	
19-Jul-25	District Shukriya	

### **Block your dates**



#### July 28-29, 2024

We are organising a club picnic to Aaji Aajoba Resort at Wada, Palghar. We will be having great fun with sumptuous food, party games and karaoke evening. we will start at 8:00 am and reach the destination by 10:00 am.

#### August 4, 2024

We are organising a visit to Bharari Asthivyangya Vikalanga



Sanstha, Dombivli. This Apangalaya is a home for the physically challenged persons. We will be donating foodgrains, along with a cheque so that the meal of one whole month is taken care of.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2024-25Club President:Rtn. Uday DabhadeClub Secretary:Rtn. Sanjay JadhavClub Treasurer:Rtn. Shivani GadkariClub Sergeant:Rtn. Prachi DevalMembership:Rtn. Amol Yelgaonkar

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