

July Edition

# ELEGANT NEWSPAPER

## POOJA SONI

Inspire year President 2025-26

Pooja Soni is a seasoned Technology Leader with over 23 years of experience across Manufacturing, Telecom, Automobile, Banking, and Product Development. Specializing in Backend System Management, Data Warehousing, Oracle ERP, and AI, she led a 200-member team at JP Morgan Chase before becoming the CTO of AmploGlobal Inc. In 2011, she returned to India and now runs an infrastructure business focused on developing metro stations in Mumbai. Born in Amravati, Pooja is passionate about cooking, reading, spirituality, meditation, and unconventional healing therapies. She aims to inspire with dedication and compassion in the Inspire year 2025-26.



# Leadership Unveiled:

Rtn. Pooja Soni  
Installed as  
President 2025–26

On 11th July 2025, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant hosted its Installation Ceremony at the Imperial Hall, St. Regis, Lower Parel. The evening was graced by Chief Guest Rtn. Dr. Manish Motwani, District Governor 2025–26.

Rtn. Pooja Soni was formally inducted as the Inspire President for the Rotary year 2025–26. In her address, she shared a focused vision centered on women's empowerment, youth development, and uplifting underserved communities.

The evening also acknowledged the contributions of outgoing members and celebrated the achievements of the past year, setting the tone for a dynamic and impactful Rotary year ahead.



# Jeevandhara

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On July 1st, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant proudly co-hosted a blood donation and CPR awareness camp at Andheri Railway Station under Rotary District 3141 — the first initiative under President Rtn. Pooja's leadership.

With over 600 bottles collected across various stations, this impactful drive reflected the true spirit of service. Special thanks to Rtn. Deepika Gupta for leading by example through her blood donation.



# Anandotsav

## A Rotary Celebration of Joy

Rotary's Anandotsav was a vibrant celebration of joy, inclusion, and community spirit. The event brought together people from all walks of life through music, dance, games, and cultural performances. True to Rotary's motto of Service Above Self, Anandotsav also created moments of happiness for underprivileged and differently-abled participants, making it a heartwarming day of shared smiles and meaningful connections.



## Did You Know?

### EXCHANGE OF CLUB BANNERS

One of the colorful traditions of many Rotary clubs is the exchange of small banners, flags or pennants. Rotarians traveling to distant locations often take banners to exchange at "make up" meetings as a token of friendship. Many clubs use the decorative banners they have received for attractive displays at club meetings and district events.

# Youth Leadership in Action!

Rotary Youth Director Nikita Arora led with heart and purpose as she championed the donation of a prosthetic limb for a young child. Her dedication embodies the Rotary spirit of service, compassion, and community upliftment.



## A Generous Beginning:

Dr. Twinkle Sanghavi Leads with Heart



Elegant is proud to share that Dr. Twinkle Sanghavi, our Past President, and her family have donated ₹10 Lakhs (USD 11,765) to ACTREC, Tata Memorial Hospital, Kharhgar, to support the treatment of underprivileged cancer patients.



This inspiring act of generosity reflects Dr. Twinkle's continued commitment to the spirit of Service Above Self, setting a powerful tone for the year ahead.

## Empowering Through Skills:

A Step Towards Financial Independence

Vocational Director Anita Gupta has sponsored training programs to help young girls gain skills that support their education. Elegant is committed to continuing such initiatives across age groups, promoting empowerment and financial independence through vocational learning.



# A Stirring Evening of Valor and Vision ✨

On July 24, 2025, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Elegant was honored to host Shri Vishwas Nangare Patil, Additional Director General of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Maharashtra, and recipient of the President's Police Medal for Gallantry. The event, held at Enigma Hall, JW Marriott, Juhu, from 5:00–7:00 PM, unfolded under President Rtn. Pooja Soni.

Best known for his valiant service during the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks, especially at the Taj Hotel, Shri Patil's address was a riveting narrative of resilience, courage, and unwavering patriotism. He shared his humble beginnings as a Marathi-medium student and his extraordinary journey to becoming a senior IPS officer.

His firsthand account of confronting terrorists and the injury and loss of fellow officers and citizens struck a deep emotional chord. Equally captivating was his powerful recital of poems. Each poem, delivered with heartfelt passion, elevated the atmosphere—bringing goosebump and a standing ovation.

Shri Patil's message was clear and compelling: Believe in yourself, rise above adversity, and never lose sight of your purpose.

The evening was not just a talk—it was a soul-stirring experience that reaffirmed values of duty, honor, service, and national pride, marking one of the most memorable moments in the club's journey.



# Upcoming August Events

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- 5th Aug: Picnic
- 13th Aug: Tree Plantation
- 19th Aug: Leaving a Legacy Swift inheritance
- 23th Aug: Baghban project
- 28th Aug: Ganapati Visarjan

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## JULY BIRTHDAY

- 1. Anusha Lukesh Agarwal - 02-Jul
- 2. Vinita Ranjay Pratap - 03-Jul
- 3. Dr. Namrata Sanghai - 11-Jul
- 4. Alka Deepak Modi - 14-Jul
- 5. Ruchika Suri - 18-Jul
- 6. Anita Vimal Khandelwal - 22-Jul
- 7. Anika A. Shah - 23-Jul
- 8. Rippy Narinder Dhingra - 23-Jul
- 9. Sunita Puneet Gupta - 23-Jul
- 10. Rricha Sandip Agarwal - 26-Jul
- 11. Shalini Aggarwal - 28-Jul
- 12. Shreya Gagan Khemka - 29-Jul
- 13. Dr. Priti Shenai - 31-Jul
- 14. Neeti Amardeep Arora - 31-Jul

