

September Edition

ELEGANT NEWSPAPER

RCME 'S TALENTS ECHOING THE SPIRIT OF INDIA'S TRAILBLAZERS.



Our past president Alkaji - a beautiful human, intelligent and crystal-clear in thought, a true well-wisher with the best intentions for all.

Our Past President reminds us of the indomitable spirit of Kiran Bedi - fearless, inspiring and always leading with integrity and grace. ★



IPP Nidhika Bahl - an impactful author who brings forth the reality of life and the beautiful way of dealing with it.

A healer, motivational speaker and passionate philanthropist. Our Past President reminds us of the fearless and thought-provoking spirit of Arundhati Roy - a voice of truth, compassion and unshakable significance. ★



ROTARACT & INTERACT CLUB INSTALLATION AT SIS

On September 4th, JW Marriott Juhu hosted Bharat Dabholkar, the renowned advertising guru, author, and writer, who captivated the audience with his insights into impactful advertising and creative storytelling.

Dabholkar shared memorable slogans like Amul's "Utterly Butterly Delicious," Frooti's "Mango Frooti, Fresh and Juicy,". He also discussed his role in the iconic political campaign "Abh Ki Baar Modi Sarkar," highlighting how powerful messaging can unite and inspire a nation.

The session was filled with fun behind-the-scenes stories that had the audience in splits, making it a unique and enjoyable event. Dabholkar's humble demeanor and practical advice on turning adversity into opportunity left attendees motivated and inspired.

He also offered thoughtful perspectives on Bollywood and theater, emphasizing the importance of storytelling in connecting with people.

A big thanks to President Pooja Soni and her team for organizing such impactful speaker sessions, along with Tehmina Khandwala and the entire team for their valuable support.



*What goes up
but never
comes down?*

ROTARACT & INTERACT CLUB INSTALLATION AT SIS

Singapore International School celebrated the installation of its Rotaract and Interact Clubs on 8th September 2025. The occasion was graced by Principal Mr. Stephen, Director Ms. Saronee Mallick, RCME President Ms. Pooja Soni, Youth Director Ms. Nitika Arora, and International Director Ms. Rricha Agarwal.

Outgoing Rotaract President Ruvee Shah presented the club's impactful initiatives, setting the stage for the new leaders:

- Rotaract President: Saisha Swamy
- Interact President: Sohum Agarwal

The event also acknowledged Ms. Anita Pansari for initiating the Rotaract Club and Ms. Nitika Arora for her dedicated support in making the installation possible.

With fresh leadership and renewed energy, both clubs are set to embark on an inspiring year of service and growth.



BLOCKS, PRINTS & LOADS OF SMILES!

What happens when creativity meets fellowship? Pure magic! Our Inspire Elegant's Block Printing Workshop at Oberoi Springs Club on 20th September was a burst of colors, laughter, and hands-on fun. From crisp designs to quirky little smudges, every shrug turned into a unique masterpiece — stamped with the spirit of our members.

Cheers to Swapnil Tayal for budget wisdom, Deepa Rupani for suggesting Maasom, and our fellowship trio — Reshma, Poonam, and Manjari — for flawless execution. Dr. Nidhika Bahl's reels were the perfect finishing touch!

And of course, our September squad — Sarita, Neeha, and Poonam — your behind-the-scenes sparkle made it all shine

Special mention to President Pooja Soni, whose vision, energy, and hands-on involvement tied everything together and made the Block Print event truly memorable



SANITARY PAD DISTRIBUTION DRIVE

On 22nd and 23rd September 2025, our club organized a Sanitary Pad Distribution Drive to spread awareness on menstrual hygiene among schoolgirls. The initiative took place at K J Khilnani High School, Mahim (through our member Sunita Goyal) and at Tata Compound School.

Guided by President Pooja Soni, the drive aimed to not only distribute pads but also encourage open conversations around menstrual health and hygiene.



3rd Blood Donation Drive of Inspire Year

The third blood donation drive of Inspire Year (2025–26) for District 3141 was successfully held at Andheri Railway Station on 15th September. The initiative once again brought together volunteers and donors in the true spirit of service, reinforcing our commitment to saving lives and spreading hope.



An 80th Birthday Bursting with Love and kindness.

For Mrs. Urmila Choudhary's 80th birthday, our incredible Rtn. Priti Choudhary, her husband Mr. Sanjay Choudhary, and the radiant Mrs. Urmila gifted ₹1,50,000 worth of sports gear—treadmills, gym cycles, and cross trainers—to the Blossom Disability Center in Bandra. Launched on September 16, 2025, these machines will help specially-abled kids build strength, confidence, and dreams of independence. This heart-melting act of Service Above Self has us all cheering for Priti, Sanjay, and Mrs. Urmila's boundless kindness.



☀️ WHEELS OF KINDNESS – SERVICE ABOVE SELF ☀️

A heartfelt thank you to *Advisor Vinita Pratap* ,who envisioned and brought this beautiful project forward, and to *Rippy Dhingra* , who joined hands with her in generously donating a wheelchair worth *50,000 Rs* . 🌸 Your act of kindness will bring comfort, mobility, and dignity to someone in need. ❤️

Special appreciation to *VP Manjari Thanawala* for her dedicated coordination in making this project a reality. 🙏

Together, we live the Rotary spirit of Service Above Self. 🌎

Warmly
Pres Pooja Soni



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE!

Find 10 differences between the 2 pictures!



KOLKATA CHRONICLES – A JOURNEY OF ART, CULTURE & TOGETHERNESS

Our recent trip to Kolkata on 27th to 29th Sept 2025 was nothing short of extraordinary – a celebration of art, culture, tradition, and the unbreakable bonds of friendship. The city, vibrant with festive spirit, welcomed us with open arms during the grand Durga Puja. Each pandal reflected breathtaking creativity and craftsmanship, offering valuable lessons and unforgettable inspiration.

The trip was thoughtfully curated to offer a blend of traditional experiences, leisure time, and culinary delights – creating the perfect balance between exploration and relaxation. From dhunuchi dances and temple visits to street food adventures and shopping, every experience added a beautiful layer to our Kolkata memories.

Heartfelt appreciation to President Pooja Soni for her vision and warmth in leading this memorable journey. Special thanks to Shilpy for her meticulous planning and seamless logistics, Poonam for curating thoughtful gifts and arranging the blissful Kalighat Darshan, and Reshma for capturing every candid moment. Gratitude also to Anita Pansari, Vinita Pratap, Prachi Ajmera, and Manjari for their valuable suggestions, coordination, and constant support.

Despite unexpected showers and the city's challenges, the group's cheerful and cooperative spirit ensured that every moment was filled with laughter, grace, and gratitude. The camaraderie and enthusiasm of our members truly made this trip unforgettable.

As we return with hearts full of joy and suitcases full of memories, we are reminded that travel not only opens our eyes to new worlds but also strengthens the beautiful bonds within our Elegant Family.





“Art, devotion,
and friendship
– the true
trinity of our
Kolkata
diaries.”

“Every trip
ends, but
memories
keep
travelling in
our hearts.”



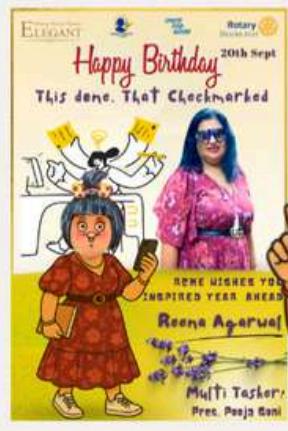
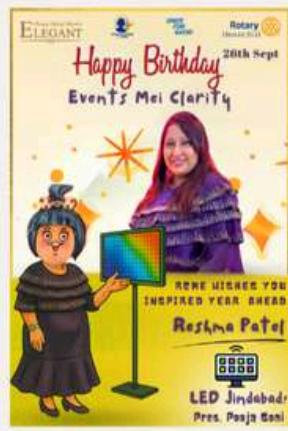
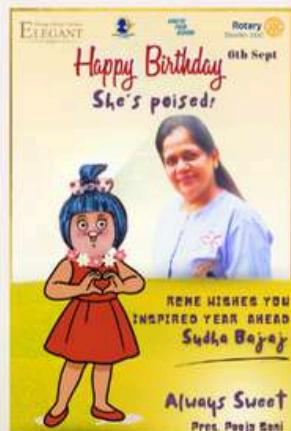
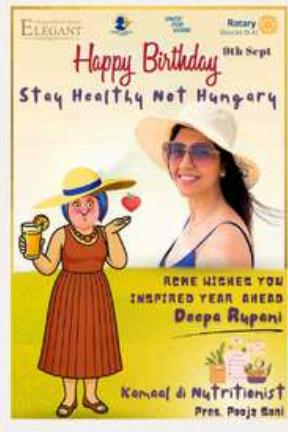
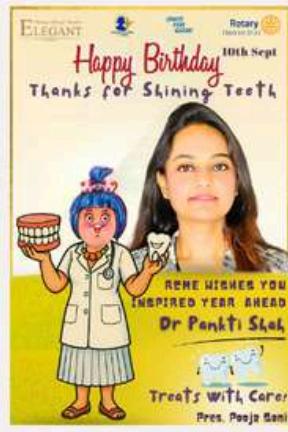
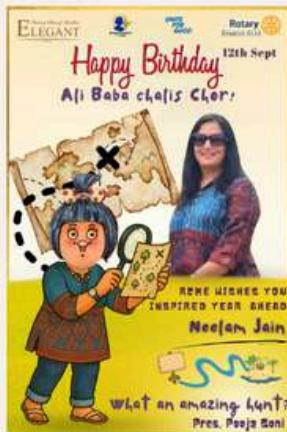
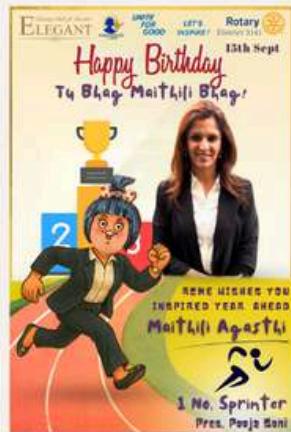
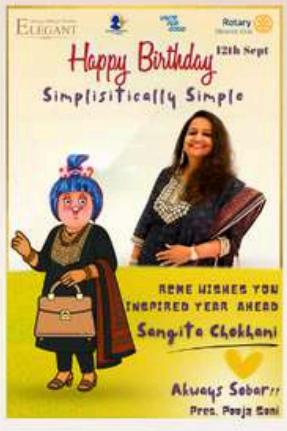
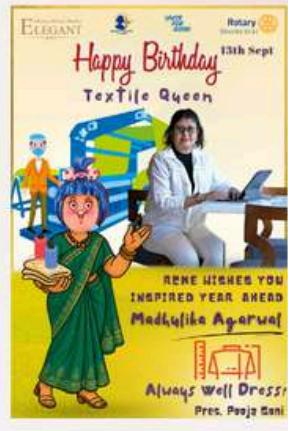
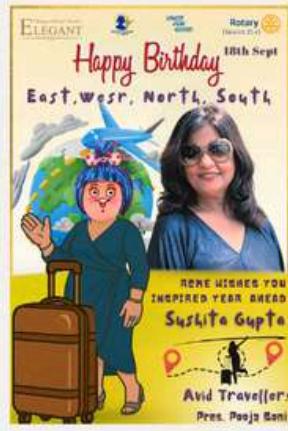
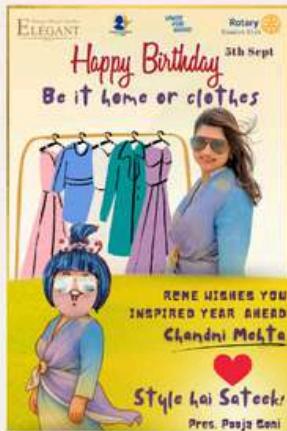
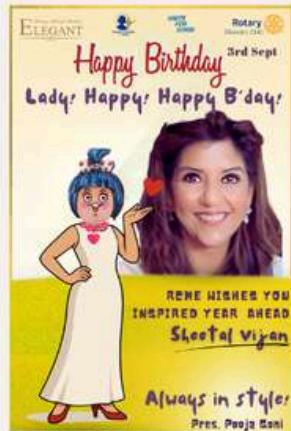
MAHALAKSHMI TEMPLE VISIT

Built in the 18th century by a Hindu merchant, the Mahalakshmi Temple holds immense historical and cultural significance. Dedicated to Goddess Mahalakshmi — the divine embodiment of wealth and fortune — it stands overlooking the Arabian Sea. According to legend, the idols of Mahalakshmi, Mahakali, and Mahasaraswati miraculously appeared at this very spot after being lost to the tides, marking it as a sacred place of faith and devotion.

Over the years, this temple has remained a spiritual landmark of Mumbai, drawing thousands of devotees, especially during Navratri. The visit was a soulful reminder of the city's deep-rooted traditions and the enduring power of collective prayer.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY



Rotary in Action - Next Stop -----

"Events mark the calendar, but people mark the soul."

October 2025

- 3th Oct : Limb Donation
- 3th Oct : Learn Program
- 6th Oct : Artisan Sutra
- 12th Oct : Diwali Party
- 25th Oct : RBL health Check up
- 28th Oct : Assembly

PRES: POOJA SONI

Thank You

Sponsors of the September

*AKS - Sarita Jhunjhunwala
(Endowment fund)
*Priti Choudhary
(Blossom Disability)
*Shweta Malpani
(Sanitary Pad donation)
*Shikha Arora
(Sanitary Pad donation)
*Nitika Arora (water filter)
Vinita Pratap (Wheel Chair)
Rippy Dhingra (Wheel Chair)

Team of August

NEW MEMBERS -

Chandni Mehta
Shweta Arora

MEMBERS -

Meenakshi Jain
Neeha Jain
Nidhi Lohia
Poonam Anand
Pratima Shah
Rachna Agarwal
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