

We are proud to share that the **3rd Edition of our Rotary E-Bulletin “Ekyaam”** has been published today i.e. 7th October 2025, carrying superb lines, inspiring messages, and impactful updates that showcase the true essence of Rotary and our club’s ongoing journey of service.

It is a matter of great pride to recall that our 1st and 2nd Editions of “Ekyaam” were jointly launched on **22nd September 2025**, which was also the **1st day of Navratri 2025** – a day of new beginnings and celebration. The occasion became even more memorable with the gracious presence of our esteemed **District Governor Nominee (DGN) Rtn. Ashish Patwari**, who officially released the editions. His inspiring words, guidance, and encouragement on that auspicious day added immense value and made the launch a historic milestone in the journey of Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro.



With this 3rd Edition, “Ekyaam” continues to carry forward its vision of spreading awareness, highlighting service projects, and strengthening the bonds of fellowship among Rotarians. Each edition reflects our collective spirit of “Service Above Self” and our commitment to creating meaningful impact in the community.

Rtn. Abhishek Bavalia
Editor, E-Bulletin



Rtn. Ashish Patwari
DGN 2027-28

Dear President Rtn. Pranav Mehta, Editor Rtn. Abhishek Bavalia & Team Wadhwan Metro,

Hearty congratulations on bringing out yet another 3rd edition of your bulletin “**Ekyaaam**”. The name itself reflects the spirit of unity and togetherness that Rotary stands for.

Your club’s commitment to impactful service is truly commendable. The permanent project Annapurna, ensuring that no one sleeps hungry, and the recently inaugurated Dialysis Centre at C. J. Hospital, Surendranagar, are shining examples of service with compassion. These initiatives will touch countless lives for years to come and will remain as enduring legacies of Rotary in your community.

May AIKYAM continue to showcase your club’s milestones, inspire fellowship, and spread the message of “Service Above Self.”

With best wishes to President Pranav, Editor Abhishek, and the entire team for continued success.

Yours in Rotary, **DGN Ashish Patwari**

Rotary Global Facts

*“Rotary members have **completed over 50,000 global grants** and countless local projects, impacting millions of lives through service and humanitarian efforts worldwide.*

Rtn. Francesco Arezzo
RI President

Rtn. Amardeep Singh Bunet
Dist Governor - 3060



Rotary Dialysis Center – A New Beginning in Healthcare Service

Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro proudly launched a new permanent project, the **Rotary Dialysis Center**, at C J Hospital, Surendranagar on 22nd September 2025. This initiative, executed under a District Global Grant, reflects Rotary’s commitment towards sustainable community health service and marks a new chapter of service in the region. The project was initiated with the aim of providing free and accessible dialysis treatment to patients suffering from kidney-related diseases. With rising cases of chronic kidney disorders, this facility will be a lifeline for underprivileged patients who cannot afford high-cost treatments at private hospitals.

The project was initially approved during the previous tenure of President Rtn. Jeiniel Mehta & Secretary Rtn. Nimesh Shah. During their leadership, the entire groundwork, documentation, approval process & received of 2 machines for the global grant was successfully completed. A tri-party agreement was signed between Rotary District 3060 & Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro & C J Hospital Surendranagar. This agreement ensures smooth operation, maintenance, and transparency in the functioning of the Rotary Dialysis Center.



Infrastructure & Donor Contributions

As part of the project, **two advanced dialysis machines** were procured and installed at C J Hospital in the previous year. These machines were generously donated by two respected families of Surendranagar:

1. Smt. Smitaben D. Shah, wife of CA D.V. Shah Sir
2. Smt. Bhavnaben Rashminbhai Mehta, **wife of Mr. Rashminbhai Mehta**, owner of Mehta Jewellers

Their noble contribution will forever remain an integral part of this noble project and serve as a blessing for countless patients, ensuring timely treatment and improving their quality of life.

The inauguration program was held in the gracious presence of DGN Rtn. Ashish Patwari, District TRF Chair Rtn. Prashant Jani, Trustees of C J Hospital, Members of nearby clubs & all enthusiastic members of our club. The event was filled with gratitude, encouragement, and a strong commitment to serve. Distinguished guests appreciated the club's foresight in establishing a healthcare facility of such importance. The entire program was successfully organized by **Rtn. Mehulbhai Shah & Rtn. Dr. Darshansinh Padhiyar**, whose efforts ensured that the launch was memorable and impactful.



The **Rotary Dialysis Center at C J Hospital** stands as a **permanent legacy project** of Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro. It is not just a healthcare facility, but a lifelong commitment to saving lives and reducing suffering. With this initiative, the club has taken a significant step in fulfilling Rotary's motto of **"Service Above Self."**

The project symbolizes the unity of Rotarians, generosity of donors, and the vision of Rotary in making a sustainable impact in society.

Permanent Project - Annapurna “Anna Aahar Yojna”

Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro’s permanent project, **Annapurna Anna Aahar Yojna**, continues to touch lives with uninterrupted service in the month of September 2025. From **Week 224 to Week 227**, our club successfully served wholesome meals to **250+ beneficiaries every Sunday**, ensuring that no one is deprived of food. The project was carried out with dedication and consistency on the following dates:

7th September

14th September

21st September

28th September

A special note of gratitude goes to **Rtn. Kripalsinh Zala**, who on **7th September 2025**, carried forward the Annapurna spirit despite heavy rainfall to distribute food personally in various areas with umbrella in hand, he continued the noble task of service with utmost commitment, proving that true Rotary spirit shines brightest even in challenging conditions. His dedication became an inspiring example for all, reminding us that service knows no boundaries of weather or circumstances.

Every week of Annapurna is not just about providing meals, but also about spreading warmth, care, and dignity to those in need. We are heartily thankful to our Project Chairs and all the members, whose tireless efforts, leadership, and coordination made it possible to carry out this noble work smoothly every Sunday of September. Their commitment has inspired all members and strengthened our club’s Annapurna initiative.

The Rotary Annapurna Project truly symbolizes the essence of giving back to society, and with such consistent execution, our club has set an example of dedication, service, and humanity.



Project HUMF - Help to Underprivileged Mothers & Females

On 18th September 2025, the Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro proudly conducted **Project HUMF (Health, Upliftment, Motherhood & Fitness)** under the dynamic leadership of our club's **Super Women team**. The project was organized in two impactful sessions on the same day, focusing on the health and well-being of women at the grassroots level.

- **Morning Session:** Held at the **Anganwadi near Sunflower School**, where women from the community gathered to participate and benefit from the initiative.
- **Afternoon Session:** Conducted at the **Anganwadi near Chabila Hanuman**, further extending the reach of the project to more beneficiaries.

During both sessions, our team distributed **Protein Powder, Almonds packet and Daliya packet** to all women present, ensuring they received nutrition essentials that promote health, strength, and wellness. The focus was on encouraging healthy dietary practices for women, especially mothers, to improve their overall fitness and ability to care for their families.

This thoughtful project was successfully carried out under the guidance of **Project Chair Rtn. Bhagwati Padhiyar**, whose dedication and planning ensured smooth execution. The involvement of our club's women members added special energy and warmth, truly making it a project *"by women, for women."*

Project HUMF once again reinforced our club's commitment to women's health, nutrition, and empowerment – ensuring that small acts of care lead to a healthier tomorrow.



Project Khilkhilata Aangan – Spreading Joy & Comfort

On 18th September 2025, alongside Project HUMF, the Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro’s Super Women team also carried out another beautiful initiative – **Project Khilkhilata Aangan**. Both projects were executed on the same day at the same two venues:

- **Morning Session** at the Anganwadi near Sunflower School
- **Afternoon Session** at the Anganwadi near Chabila Hanuman

The focus of Project Khilkhilata Aangan was to make the Anganwadi environment more child-friendly and joyful. As part of the initiative:

- **Educational Charts** were given to brighten up the walls and aid children in their early learning journey.
- **Chairs** were provided to ensure comfort for the little ones, sponsored by Rtn. Shilvi Shetul Shah.
- To conclude the sessions on a happy note, snacks were distributed to all kids and women, kindly sponsored by Rtn. Ishita Parikh.

The project filled the Anganwadi with smiles, laughter, and warmth, making it a memorable day for both the children and the women present. It not only improved the infrastructure but also reinforced the spirit of care and compassion that Rotary stands for.

This thoughtful project was successfully led by **Project Chair Rtn. Shilvi Shetul Shah**, whose commitment and generosity ensured its impactful execution.

Project Khilkhilata Aangan proved that when love and service come together, every Aangan truly starts to Khilkhilata (blossom with joy).





Blood Donation & Health Check Up Camp

On 4th September 2025, Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro, in collaboration with the Indian Red Cross Society, Surendranagar, and with the valuable support of Shrimad Rajchandra Love & Care, organized a Blood Donation & Health Check-Up Camp at Shri Uttar Buniyadi School, Sapar.

The project successfully addressed multiple aspects of health and wellness:

- Blood Donation Camp:**
A total of 26 bottles of blood were collected from willing donors. Each donor was felicitated with a certificate and a gift as a token of appreciation for their life-saving contribution.
- Anaemia Check-Up Camp:**
279 students underwent anaemia screening. Medicines were provided immediately to those in need, ensuring timely care and follow-up awareness.
- Eye Check-Up Camp:**
305 students were examined for vision-related issues. Among them, 44 students were diagnosed with weak eyesight and were provided with spectacles, restoring clarity to their vision and supporting their education.



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BLOOD DONATION CAMP

4th September 2025
Uttar Buniyadi Vidyalaya, Sapar

HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ 26 Units of Blood Collected
- ✓ 279 Anemia Check-ups
- ✓ 305 Eye Screenings
- ✓ 44 Spectacles Distributed

Mr. Sabbirbhai Mohsinbhai Daruwala -
101st Blood Donation

SUPPORTED BY:
Shrimad Rajchandra Love & Care • Sarva
Mangal Family Trust • Shri C.U. Shah
Medical College & Hospital

All donors were felicitated with Certificate & Gift.

PROJECT CHAIRS: Pankaj Upadhyay
Devang Doshi

The camp was meticulously coordinated under the leadership of **Project Chair Rtn. Devang Shah (RCWM)** and **Project Chair Shri Pankaj Upadhyay (IRCS)**, whose dedication made the initiative impactful and successful.



Blood Donation Camp – Teacher’s Day

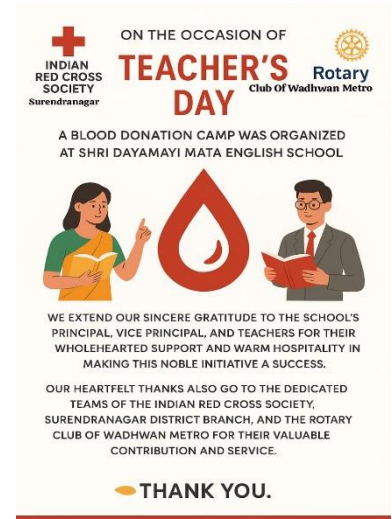
Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro, in collaboration with the Indian Red Cross Society, Surendranagar, successfully organized a **Blood Donation Camp** at Dayamayi Mata English School (DMES) on dated 6th September, 2025. The event was thoughtfully scheduled to coincide with **Teachers’ Day**, symbolizing the spirit of service, sacrifice, and nurturing life.

The camp received an overwhelming response from enthusiastic donors, and a total of **57 bottles of blood** were collected. Each contribution represented not just a bottle of blood but a gift of hope and life for those in medical need.

To honor and encourage the generosity of the donors, every participant was awarded a certificate and a gift as a token of appreciation. Adding a unique and eco-friendly touch, Dayamayi Mata English School presented a flower plant to each donor, reinforcing the message of giving life, nurturing, and growth.

The camp was efficiently managed under the dedicated leadership of **Project Chair Rtn. Bhavini Shah (RCWM)** and **Project Chair Rtn. Jigna Sanghvi (RCS)**, whose tireless efforts ensured smooth planning and execution of the initiative.

This initiative not only strengthened the bond between Rotary, the Indian Red Cross Society, and the school community but also created awareness about the importance of regular blood donation. The event stood as a shining example of how service organizations can work together to **save lives and spread humanity**.



Rotary Navratri 2025 – A Celebration with a Purpose

The Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro, in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Surendranagar, Rotaract Club of Wadhwan Metro, and Rotaract Club of Surendranagar, successfully organized the grand festival of **Rotary Navratri 2025** at *Matroshree Farm* from **25th September to 28th September 2025**.

This four-day festive celebration was not just about Garba and joy—it was a **major fundraising initiative** aimed at supporting noble causes and strengthening our community service projects. The event beautifully blended the spirit of **cultural tradition**.



Purpose and Impact

This Navratri celebration was designed as a **fundraising event**, with proceeds dedicated to:

- Supporting Rotary's flagship **Annapurna Anna Aahar Yojna** (weekly meal project).
- Expanding **healthcare initiatives** such as Dialysis Center operations and Cervical Cancer Vaccination drives.
- Enhancing **community development projects** including water purifiers, education support, and environmental efforts.

Highlights of the Event

- **Vibrant Venue:** Matroshree Farm was transformed into a colorful festive ground with sparkling lights, traditional décor, and a joyous atmosphere that resonated with the energy of Navratri.



- **Live Garba Nights:** Each evening witnessed enthusiastic participation by hundreds of families, youth, and well-wishers dressed in traditional attire, dancing to the rhythmic beats of Garba and Dandiya.



- Fellowship & Bonding:** Members of Rotary and Rotaract clubs came together, strengthening fellowship and creating lasting memories while welcoming guests with warmth and hospitality.



- Delicious Dinner:** All four nights concluded with mouth-watering dinner spreads, offering a variety of delicacies that delighted the taste buds and added to the festive charm.





Special Appreciation & Event Impact

Rotary Navratri 2025 proved to be more than just a festive celebration—it became a platform that united service, tradition, and community bonding. The event was graced by the presence of eminent dignitaries, including **our upcoming District Governor Rtn. Nilesh Shah, Hon’ble SP of Surendranagar, MLA of Surendranagar, MP of Surendranagar, and the Collector of Surendranagar**, whose support and encouragement added great prestige to the occasion. Their presence highlighted the significance of Rotary’s role in social service and community engagement.

A heartfelt **special appreciation** goes to:

- **Rotary & Rotaract members** for their tireless dedication in planning, organizing, and executing the event with perfection. Their teamwork ensured that every detail—from décor to dance, from safety to hospitality—was carried out seamlessly.
- **Sponsors & well-wishers** for their generous support, which not only fueled the success of the event but also amplified Rotary’s capacity to fund community projects and humanitarian initiatives.
- **Guests and participants** for joining the Garba and Dandiya nights with enthusiasm, thereby making the celebration truly vibrant while contributing to Rotary’s larger mission of service above self.

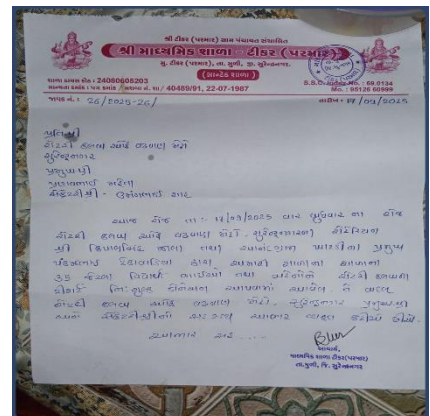
Rotary Navratri 2025 was a **shining example of how traditions and festivals can be transformed into meaningful avenues for service and fundraising**. The event strengthened the unity among **Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro, Rotary Club of Surendranagar, Rotaract Club of Wadhwan Metro, and Rotaract Club of Surendranagar**, reflecting the true spirit of collaboration.

Beyond the music and festivities, this grand celebration showcased the **power of collective efforts** in driving positive change. It engaged the wider community, inspired stronger bonds of fellowship, and reinforced Rotary’s commitment to creating lasting impact. The smiles, participation, and energy of all present turned this Navratri into a milestone event for our club and the district.

T-Shirt Distribution with Rotary Logo

On **17th September 2025**, Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro carried out a thoughtful initiative by distributing **35 Rotary logo T-shirts** to students of **Tikar School**. This project was executed by **Rtn. Kripalsinh Zala** along with **Khatdi RCC President Shri Pankajbhai**.

The distribution not only brought smiles to the children but also instilled a sense of belonging and pride by connecting them with Rotary’s mission of service and community building.



Meetings Report

1. Board Meeting

The Joint Board Meeting of the club was held on **8th September 2025**, where the agenda focused on planning upcoming projects & Rotary Navratri 2025 along with last year RIY account handover. Board members discussed project details, delegated responsibilities, and finalized strategies to ensure smooth implementation.

Another Board Meeting was held on **18th September 2025**, for the special agenda to discuss & planning of Inauguration of Dialysis Centre at C J Hospital Surendranagar. This structured approach helped the club set clear objectives and align projects with the Rotary motto “*Service Above Self.*”

2. Club Family Meeting

The Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro organized a **Family Dinner Meeting** on 12th September 2025 at Rotary Hall, Surendranagar. The gathering brought together members along with their families to celebrate fellowship and review the club’s achievements. Highlights of the evening included a presentation of recently completed projects and upcoming initiatives like Rotary Navratri 2025 and other projects.

The evening was not only about projects but also about **togetherness and bonding**. Fun activities and interactions involved spouses and children, creating a lively family atmosphere. The program concluded with a fellowship dinner, allowing members and families to enjoy meaningful conversations in a warm and friendly environment. The meeting successfully reinforced the spirit of Rotary – combining service with fellowship – and strengthened the unity of the Rotary family.



Know Your Fellow Rotarian



Rtn. Mehul Shah

Owner: **Diamond Stores**

Club President: Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro Year 2022-23

Business Highlights

Mr. Mehul Shah is the owner in **Diamond stores**, as the visionary leader behind **Diamond Stores**, Mehul Shah has been instrumental in driving the business's growth and success. With a keen eye for innovation and a deep understanding of customer needs, Mehul Shah's leadership has been pivotal in shaping the company's direction.

Rotary Leadership

During his tenure, **Mr. Mehul Shah** brought forward creative and innovative ideas that significantly strengthened the Public Image & Fundraising of Rotary. His forward-thinking approach helped showcase Rotary's service activities to the community in a more engaging and impactful way. During his Rotary presidential year, Mehul Shah introduced a unique initiative to organize **Navratri celebrations** as a fundraising and public image project as well as **Dhamal Gali & Cyclothone**, which drew in a large crowd and helped achieve the project's objectives.

- **Navratri Celebrations:** The event was a huge success, with people from all walks of life coming together to celebrate the festive spirit.
- **Dhamal Gali:** This popular attraction added a fun and energetic element to the event, drawing in a large crowd and generating significant interest.
- **Cyclothone:** The Cyclothone activity was another major hit, promoting fitness and wellness while also contributing to the fundraising efforts.

Impact

- **Fundraising:** The event helped raise significant funds for a good cause, supporting the Rotary's mission to make a positive impact in the community.
- **Public Image:** The project showcased the Rotary's commitment to community engagement and social responsibility, enhancing its public image.

Takeaways

- **Innovative Approach:** The use of Navratri celebrations as a fundraising and public image project was a unique and effective approach.
- **Community Engagement:** The event demonstrated the power of community engagement and the importance of building relationships with local stakeholders.



Milestone Memories

Rotary Club of Wadhwan Metro extends warm congratulations and best wishes to all members celebrating their birthdays and wedding anniversaries in the month of August. May this special occasion bring happiness, good health, and success throughout the year.

Birthday Greetings

1 st September - Rtn. Jay Shah	12 th September - Hiral Mihir Shah
3 rd September - Mittal Umang Shah	14 th September - Harsh Mehul Shah
5 th September - Hensh Hemal Thakkar	23 rd September - Vishwa Hiren Shah
6 th September - Rtn. Rekhaba Rana	24 th September - Rtn. Prakash Shah
7 th September - Rtn. Surpalsinh Rana	25 th September - Shweta Jigar Shah
8 th September - Aaryan Pratik Gandhi	25 th September - Rinkal Akshay Thakkar
8 th September - Pearl Pritesh Pattani	27 th September - Harshraj Surpalsinh Rana
11 th September - Divy Dharmesh Ranpura	30 th September - Kinjal Jay Shah
11 th September - Jhanavi Abhishek Bavalia	30 th September - Stuti Pratik Gandhi

Thought of the Month - Decision

"I don't believe in taking the right decisions. I take decisions and then make them right"

– Ratan Tata

These powerful words by Ratan Tata remind us that true leadership lies not in waiting for the perfect moment or fearing mistakes, but in having the courage to act with conviction. Decisions shape our journey, but it is our dedication, persistence, and integrity that make those decisions meaningful and successful. Life will always present challenges and uncertainties, yet it is through bold steps and unwavering faith that we grow stronger and wiser.

As Rotarians, this thought carries a special message. Every project we take up, whether small or large, is a decision to serve, to give, and to uplift lives. What matters is not only the choice we make but also the commitment we show in carrying it forward. By working together with determination and compassion, we transform our decisions into impactful outcomes that leave a lasting legacy in society.

Let this month inspire us to act with courage, embrace responsibility, and ensure that the decisions we make today become stepping stones for a brighter tomorrow. Just as Ratan Tata's vision has touched millions of lives, may our service and actions continue to bring hope and happiness to the communities we serve.



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