BRIDGING GAPS

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District Governor

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MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Dear President Dr. Priyanka Kumar Sethi,

Warm Rotary Greetings!

As your club embarks on the Rotary Year 2025–26 with renewed vision, capable leadership, and collective resolve, I extend my sincere and heartfelt best wishes to all the members of the Rotary Club of Delhi Central Next. This year offers a meaningful opportunity to build upon your club's legacy with purposeful service, innovation, and deeper fellowship.



Rtn Dr Ravinder Gugnani District Governor 3011

Your commitment to the theme Unite for Good beautifully aligns with Rotary's timeless values - unity in purpose, strength in collaboration, and compassion in action. When we come together across professions and perspectives, we unlock the power to create lasting, impactful change.

I am confident that your club will continue to uphold Rotary's ideals through innovative projects, strong community engagement, and unwavering dedication.

Please accept my best wishes for the successful publication of your club bulletin. May it serve not only as a record of your activities but as a source of inspiration and pride for all members - a vibrant chronicle of service and spirit.

Wishing you a fulfilling and impactful Rotary year ahead. Let us continue to Unite for Good and strengthen the bonds that make Rotary a force for positive change in the world.

With warm regards and best wishes,

Dr. Ravinder Gugnani
District Governor 25-26

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Rotary International District 3011

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Rtn Dr Priyanka Sethi Kumar

It is with immense pride and gratitude that I pen this message as President of the Rotary Club of Delhi Central Next for the year 2025–26. I am truly honoured to serve alongside such a vibrant and committed group of individuals who embody the true spirit of Rotary.

The Rotary International President's message, *Unite for Good*, resonates deeply with our club's mission this year. At its heart, it reminds us that meaningful change happens when we come together across generations, professions, and perspectives with a shared purpose. Our bulletin, Bridging Gaps, reflects this very essence of building connections, closing divides, and creating impact that lasts.

My vision for this Rotary year is clear: to see our club reach new heights through consistent action, strong fellowship, and impactful service. I truly believe that with unity and dedication, we can raise the bar higher and set an example for others to follow.

To our members, your energy is infectious. It uplifts every meeting, every project, and every gathering. Keep it going. Your enthusiasm is the driving force behind everything we do, and it is what makes this club so special.

I would like to take a moment to sincerely thank our past presidents for laying the strong foundation we stand on today. Their leadership continues to guide us. I also extend my heartfelt appreciation to our board members, who have stepped up with commitment and clarity to take this journey forward together.

Let us continue to work as one team, with one purpose. Let us stay united, stay involved, and most importantly, stay inspired. Together, let's bridge gaps, create impact, and unite for good.

Warm Regards, Rtn Dr Priyanka Sethi Kumar President, Rotary Club of Delhi Central Next

FROM THE DESK OF THE CLUB SECRETARY

Inspired by this year's Rotary International President's message, *Unite for Good*, we embark on a journey that promises deeper connections, meaningful service, and lasting impact.

Under the dynamic leadership of President Rtn. Dr. Priyanka Sethi Kumar, and with the unwavering support of every member, our club is poised to make this year truly remarkable. As Secretary, I am both humbled and energised by the trust placed in me to help navigate a year filled with purpose, camaraderie, and collective dedication.



Rtn Gaurav Gupta

With a strong focus on fellowship and community service, our calendar is brimming with vibrant activities, festivals, family evenings, impactful service projects, and countless opportunities for togetherness. When the heart beats for service, there is no pause. Every gathering becomes a chance to bridge gaps between people, ideas, communities, and causes.

This year, we are also witnessing the enthusiasm of newer members, who are bringing fresh perspectives and infectious energy to our club. Their spirit is a welcome addition to our ever-growing family, and we look forward to their active participation in shaping the year ahead.

I would also like to acknowledge the contributions of our esteemed past presidents, whose vision, guidance, and legacy continue to inspire us. Their experience is the foundation upon which we build each new Rotary year.

A heartfelt thank you to the bulletin team for their dedication in putting this edition together. Let this bulletin not only document our journey but reflect the enduring spirit of Rotary: to serve with sincerity, lead with compassion, and unite for good.

As we turn the pages of this bulletin, I encourage each one of you to see it as more than a record. It is a mirror of our values, our togetherness, and our collective aspirations.

Let it remind us of the bonds we share, the lives we touch, and the impact we continue to create *together*.

Warm Regards, Rtn Gaurav Gupta Secretary, Rotary Club of Delhi Central Next

PRESIDENT ELECT MEET - 1

President Elect Meeting - 1 was held at Orana Conventions, Gurugram in September 2024, which was led by Rtn Dr Ravinder Gugnani, District Governor 25-26. Our President Elect, Rtn Dr Priyanka Sethi Kumar, attended the event and found it very insightful. She was energised by the depth of planning and the commitment to service. She connected with her fellow President Elects and envisioned the year ahead for her club.



PRESIDENT ELECT MEET - 2



A Mexican afternoon under the winter sun for all President Elects and District Team as a bon voyage for Rtn Dr Ravinder Gugnani was held in December 2024 at Gugnani Farm in Rohtak, Haryana. The Mexican theme lunch and colourful decor were a definite highlight. The day was concluded with a mix of celebration, great memories and renewed focus on Rotary's core values.

PRESIDENT ELECT LEARNING SEMINAR

The President Elect Learning Seminar was held in March 2025 at the exquisite Ananta Spa & Resorts, Jaipur. Set against a serene backdrop, the seminar offered an immersive and enriching experience for all attendees. The sessions were thoughtfully curated, providing practical knowledge, leadership insights, and a deeper understanding of our roles and responsibilities for the year ahead.

Evenings brought a delightful contrast to the learning-filled days, with vibrant cultural performances, energetic dances, and soulful Sufi music that captivated everyone. The warm hospitality, engaging conversations, and camaraderie shared among leaders from across the district made the seminar not just informative but truly memorable.



Rtn Dr Priyanka during her graduation ceremony



Sufi Night in full swing!

Test your knowledge about Rotary

- 1. Rotary was founded in which year?
- 2. Who is the founder of Rotary?
- 3. Where was the first Rotary club formed?
- 4. What is the name of the program under which Rotary is working towards eradicating Polio from the world?
- 5. In which year was the first Rotary Club chartered in India?

Answers on the last page

SECRETARY ELECT LEARNING SEMINAR

In April 2025, the Secretary Elect Learning Seminar took place at the Jaypee Hotel in Greater Noida, leaving a lasting impact on all attendees. The sessions offered deep insights and practical takeaways for the secretary role. The evening came alive with music, laughter, and performances.

Rtn Gaurav Gupta stole the spotlight during the cultural evening show, earning the title of *Performer of the Event*. Beyond the learning, the event fostered strong bonds, new friendships, and a renewed sense of purpose for the Rotary year ahead.





July 2025



Top Left: Rtn Gaurav during his graduation ceremony at the Secretary Elect Learning Seminar

Top Right: Rtn Gaurav Gupta receiving the Performer of the Event trophy from the chief guest and Rtn Preeti Gugnani

Bottom Left: Rtn Gaurav Gupta holding his shield after graduating.

DISTRICT LEARNING SEMINAR

The District Learning Seminar was held in May 2025 at the Taj Surajkund, Faridabad. This comprehensive training event brought together all club members and board members from across the district for a day filled with valuable insights and collaborative learning. The sessions covered a wide range of topics, including leadership development, role-specific responsibilities, planning impactful service projects, and fostering stronger member engagement.

Held in the elegant and serene ambience of Taj Surajkund, the seminar provided the perfect setting for focused discussions and networking. It was an inspiring day that not only equipped members with the knowledge needed for the Rotary year ahead but also strengthened bonds within and across clubs.



President and Secretary along with our club members at the District Learning Assembly

REFLECTION ON NAVODAY

A weekend of Connection & Planning

What a fantastic weekend we had at the club for 'Navoday' - Our Club Assembly held at The Club, International City, Gurgaon on the 17th & 18th May 2025. It was truly invigorating to see our Club President Rtn Dr Priyanka Sethi Kumar surrounded by her dedicated club members, taking charge for the upcoming Rotary Year 2025-26.

After checking in, the afternoon started with a scrumptious lunch, which was a perfect setting for discussing our plans ahead. Our board meeting was planned over tea, and there was a real buzz in the air as we brainstormed and strategised for the upcoming year. As the evening rolled in, we transitioned into a more relaxed vibe. As the tone for the night set in, everyone blended in with 'Monochrome Magic'.

The dinner was delicious, and it was great to unwind and connect with fellow club members. No gathering is complete without some fun and games. Tambola brought out everyone's competitive spirit and lots of laughs!

Waking up the next morning, we shared breakfast before heading back home. It was a weekend that truly blended productive planning with genuine camaraderie.

Navoday wasn't just about discussions; it was about strengthening our bonds as a club. We already look forward to seeing these plans come to fruition!





All smiles while checking and settling in



Lunch table brimming with introductions, conversations and a lot of catching up!



All board members during a brainstorming session



President 25-26 addressing the club with her vision & plans



Tambola in full swing for Table 1



Tambola in full swing for Table 2



Let's see who recognises the item with its relevant song!



Kids enjoying the evening!



All Adults and kids trying to compete with each other



All members eagerly waiting for the next game to start



Yeh game toh mein hi jeetungi!



Members enjoying the evening

INTRODUCTION OF CLUB PRESIDENT



Rtn Dr Priyanka Sethi Kumar

Born and raised in Delhi, Rtn Dr. Priyanka Sethi Kumar began her academic journey at the prestigious Convent of Jesus and Mary (CJM), where the foundation of discipline, compassion, and excellence was laid early in her life. From a young age, she displayed a deep sense of curiosity and a desire to serve others, qualities that naturally drew her toward the field of healthcare. Driven by this purpose, she pursued dentistry and completed her graduation and post-graduation in Orthodontics from KLE Belgaum.

Her dedication to the field led her to work as a Research Officer at AIIMS, where she made meaningful contributions to dental science. She has over 50 research papers published in national and international journals and has co-authored a textbook in Orthodontics alongside the Chief of AIIMS. Rtn Dr Priyanka has also been honoured with two national awards, Best Thesis and Best Research Paper in Orthodontics.

With over 20 years of experience, Rtn Dr Priyanka is a highly respected Orthodontist. She runs two successful clinics under the name Dental Xperts, located in Delhi and Noida.

Beyond her professional achievements, Rtn Dr Priyanka is happily married to Dr Abhinav Kumar. Dr Abhinav is also a practising endodontist. They are blessed with two lovely daughters, Aarna and Aadya. Rtn Dr Priyanka enjoys reading and travelling in her free time.

A second-generation Rotarian, Rtn Dr Priyanka Sethi Kumar is a Paul Harris Fellow who draws inspiration from her parents, Rtn Dr Neelam Sethi and Rtn Dr Kamal Sethi, who are members of the Rotary Club of Delhi Central. Her family's Rotary legacy continues with her two younger brothers, Prateek Sethi, who was an integral part of the Rotary Club of Delhi Central Next. Prateek is now settled in Australia with his family, and Rtn Dr. Kabir Sethi, a young and dynamic cardiologist, is set to join Rotary this year.

Rtn Dr Priyanka firmly believes in giving back to society and is committed to fulfilling her vision through the values and ideals of Rotary.

INTRODUCTION OF CLUB SECRETARY



Rtn Gaurav Gupta

Rtn Gaurav Gupta is an alumnus of Silverline School, Ghaziabad, and holds a B. Tech degree from Sinhgad Institute of Technology (SIT), Pune. Passionate about sports, travelling, and socialising, Rtn Gaurav is known for his vibrant energy and people-centric approach.

Professionally, he serves as the Director of M/s Devson Steels, Ghaziabad, a leading manufacturer of storage tanks catering to both public and private sector oil companies across India.

A proud second-generation Rotarian, Rtn Gaurav Gupta draws inspiration from his father, Rtn Rakesh Gupta, Past President and Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Smart City Ghaziabad in RI District 3012, who is also a Major Donor. His elder sister, Rtn Meera Gupta, is also an active and enthusiastic member of the Rotary Club of Delhi Central Next, continuing the family's deep-rooted commitment to service.

Rtn Gaurav joined Rotary in 2023 and has quickly become an integral part of the club. He served as Treasurer for the year 2024–25, currently holds the office of Club Secretary for 2025–26, and is the President-Elect for the Rotary year 2026–27.

Known for his collaborative spirit and strong organisational skills, Rtn Gaurav has played a key role in streamlining club operations and fostering member involvement. As he prepares for his presidential year, he envisions a vibrant, inclusive, and impact-driven club with a strong focus on community outreach, youth engagement, and elevating Rotary's presence in the region.

With dedication, vision, and a deep commitment to the ideals of Rotary, Rtn Gaurav Gupta is all set to lead with purpose and make a lasting difference.

Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much.

— Helen Keller

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (2025-26)



Rtn Dr Priyanka Sethi Kumar President



Rtn Gaurav Gupta Secretary & President Elect



PP Rtn Arpit Jain Treasurer



Rtn Dr Stutee Bali Grewal Vice President



PP Rtn Yuvnashv Sood
Joint Secretary



Rtn Meera Gupta Sgt-at-arms & Director - Events



PP Rtn Laksh Bhambhani Director - Club Services



Rtn Amritam Jalan
Director - Community Services



Rtn Arpit Mehra Director - Membership



Rtn Saurabh NagpalDirector - Rotary Foundation



Rtn Ankur Verma
Director - Vocational Services



PP Rtn Anuratti Vidyarrthi Director - Public Image



Rtn Dr Girija Adsure Director - Womens' Health



Rtn Jyoti Jhakar Dahiya Club Bulletin



Rtn Sameer Jain
Club Learning Facilitator

NEW MEMBERS





Rtn Nikita Kohli is a leading lady with 20 years of experience in the event planning industry in Delhi with an in-house decor team. Rtn Nikita is one of the well-known wedding planners in Delhi, doing destination weddings in India & globally.

Rtn Nikita Kohli

Dheeraj Kohli





Rtn Anaiysha Parashar is an Author, Life Coach, Spiritual Guide and Motivational Speaker. Her husband, Raoul Parashar, is an ex-merchant navy captain is now in the business of Real Estate

Rtn Anaiysha Sonal **Parashar**

Raoul **Parashar**





Rtn Deepali Gupta founded Dastakaari, a beads jewellery and home decor brand. She belongs to the family of Benaras Beads Limited. Her husband, Gaurav, is a financial analyst working with UBS, Investment Bank (UK)

Rtn Deepali Gupta Gaurav Gupta





Rtn Dr Kabir Sethi is an Interventional Cardiologist practising at Delhi Heart & Lung Institute, Panchkuian Road, Delhi. His wife, Dr Tanya Sethi, is a Prosthodontist and Implantologist practising in Delhi

Rtn Dr Kabir Sethi Dr Tanya Sethi





Rtn Ekta Jain has done her B.Sc. (Biotechnology) from KC College, Mumbai. She is a hotelier. Her husband, Rtn Nikhlesh, is a member of RC Rohtak. He is the Director of XPS Fasteners.

Rtn Ekta Jain Rtn Nikhlesh Jain

NEW MEMBERS







Dr Sandeep Dahiya



Rtn Dr Girija Adsure



Ravinder Adsure



Rtn Jessica Khanna Kar



Gautam Kar



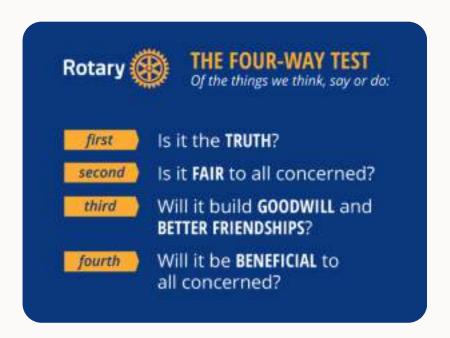
Rtn Divij Batra

Rtn Jyoti Jhakar Dahiya is an Associate Professor, Department of English in Motilal Nehru College, Delhi University. Her husband, Dr Sandeep Dahiya, is the Director of Maruti Suzuki ARENA, TCS Autoworld, Neelam Chowk in Faridabad

Rtn Dr Girija Adsure is an Orthodontist based in Delhi and Pune. Her husband, Ravinder Adsure, is a practising lawyer in the Supreme Court.

Rtn Jessica Khanna Kar is an Interior Designer and Furniture Manufacturer. She also runs a cloud kitchen and its proceeds go to charity. Her husband, Gautam Kar, is in the business of Hydro Power Plants.

Rtn Divij Batra is a third-generation Rotarian. He is involved in his family business of importing and distributing Ophthalmic equipment, where he oversees business development and management.



Happy Birthday!

Happy Anniversary!

9th July Gaurav Gupta (Deepali)

10th July Manya Nagpal 29th July Dr Sandeep Dahiya

MEETINGS & PROJECTS IN JULY

2nd July Mega Free Health Check-up Camp

6th July District Installation

13th July Kirtan at Vasant Vihar Gurdwara

20th July Governor's Official Visit & Joint Installation Ceremony

26th July Drinks & Dinner

Answers: 1.1905, 2. Paul Harris, 3. Chicago, 4. End Polio, 5. 1920