

The DownTowner

Month 05 | November 2024

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Club President's Desk

Rtn Shantaram Shet, Club President 2024-25



Dear Downtowners.
Awesome Pranams to All. Greetings for the festive season!!!

This month has been a month of festivities with Dussehra, followed by Deepavali.

Dussehra marks the victory of good over evil, where Lord Shri Ram (Good) , got victory over Ravana (Evil).

Then we had Deepavali, which means Deep (Light), Avali (a row). Deepavali is a festival of lights! It gives us hope and brings us happiness. Let us come together as we did on the 27th of October for the pre-Diwali celebrations. I would like to specially thank the events committee for a fantabulous job.

As we celebrate Diwali, we have to be mindful of the people around us who may not be fortunate like us. Let us do some meaningful projects under the District Grants, CSR Grant, Global Grant & TRF and spread the light in other's homes and hope in their lives.

Just to give you a heads up, we are planning to have our club picnic in the month of January. Kindly plan your calendars accordingly.

Looking forward to meeting you in our club meetings.

Wishing all of you a Prosperous Dussehra & a Happy Deepavali!

Rtn Shantaram Shet



DGND - PP Rtn Chandrahas Shetty

District 3142 Election for the DGND (District Governor for Rotary Year 2027-28) was conducted on Sunday, 6th October in Thane. It was formally declared & announced that **PP Rtn Chandrahas Shetty** has been elected as **DGND [District Governor for Rotary Year 2027-28]**.



This is a remarkable achievement and a testament to your dedication and leadership in Rotary.

Your passion for service and commitment to making a difference will undoubtedly inspire others as you take on this important role.

We are excited to see how your vision will shape our district in the years to come and making a lasting impact.

Wishing you all the best as you embark on this new journey.

We are incredibly proud as your club members on your achievement.

We look forward to supporting you every step of the way!



Congratulations!

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Rotary Event Calendar - November 2024 Rotary Foundation Month.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	27	28	29	30	31	1
					Laxmi Pooja	1. Diwali Padwa 2. Club Meeting Cancelled. 3. Diwali celebrations with inmates of Divyaprabha. 4. Food (vegetables) Distribution at Vidyaniketan Balsnehalay.
	3	4	5	6	7	8
1. BOD Meeting Online. 2. Bahi Dhuj/ Bhaubij						1. Club Meeting at Satkar @ 7.30 AM. 2. ROTAL Elimination @Sahayog Mandir, Thane.
	10	11	12	13	14	15
ROTAL Elimination @Sahayog Mandir, Thane.				Annapurna Day	Guru Nanak Jayanthi	Club Meeting at Satkar @ 7.30 AM.
	17	18	19	20	21	22
ROTAL Semi-Finals @Sahayog Mandir, Thane.		75th Amrut Mahotsav of Samvidhan / Constitution Week Begins.				1. District Interact Conference - UDAAN. 2. Club Meeting at Satkar @ 7.30 AM, Topic - Bharat Ka Samvidhan, Speaker - TBD. 3. 2nd Rotary Foundation Seminar @ NaviMumbai.
	24	25	26	27	28	29
ROTAL Finals.		75th Amrut Mahotsav of Samvidhan / Constitution Week Culminates.				Club Meeting at Satkar @ 7.30 AM.
						30

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Rotary Zone 4

WEEK 4 Q-4

Stephanie A. Urbeck
 Mark Daniel Maloney
 Y.N. (Raj) Subramanian
 Dr. Bharat Pandya

#Donate

Your contribution can be the difference between a child's paralysis and a child's healthy future. Donate now and be a hero in the fight against Polio.

The power to end Polio lies in your hands.

Dr. Ashes Ganguly
 End Polio Now Coordinator (EPNCL) Zone 4

END POLIO NOW

LEARN. SHARE. DONATE.
endpolio.org
<https://www.endpolio.org/donate>

OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

"If we can make a difference in the life of one person in a community, it is a small yet significant step to empowering a whole community."
 Loshini Naidoo

Rotary

TAKE ACTION: Join Rotary. Get Involved

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Club Meetings

Club Meeting, 5th October 2024 – Our esteemed Speaker on 5th Oct was **Dr. Priyank Patel**, a well-known spine surgeon from Jupiter Hospital, who spoke on the Topic **“How to tackle Backpain”**. He discussed about the reasons for backpain and what measures can be taken to prevent and treat backpain for all ages. Our President also provided updates to all attendees about the **STEM Project**.



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Club Meetings

Club Meeting, 16th October 2024 – On 16th Oct Wednesday, our Club collaborated with RC Thana West and conducted a joint Club Meeting, at Thirani High School, Thane in the evening from 6.30 to 8.30 pm. We have invited PP Raj Khankari – International Partner Club Representative from our Global Grant Partner “RC of Maple Grove” to be the Chief Guest for our meeting.





Club of Thana West
 RI District 3142
 Club ID 15544
 Charter Date 20th June 1972

Rotary Club of Thana West
Rotary Club of Thane Downtown
 INVITES ITS MEMBERS & GUESTS FOR THE WEEKLY MEETING

MEET & GREET PP. RAJ KHANKARI
 INTERNATIONAL PARTNER CLUB REPRESENTATIVE

ABOUT OUR CHIEF GUEST:
PP. RAJ KHANKARI
 PAST PRESIDENT. RID 5950
 ROTARY CLUB OF MAPLE GROVE,
 MINNESOTA, USA.
 OUR INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL
 GRANT PARTNER

Wednesday 16th Oct

MEET-AND-GREET
 6.30 pm to 7.00 pm
CLUB MEETING
 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm




 Rotary
 Club of Maple Grove
CHIEF GUEST
PP. Raj Khankari
 KKELTC
 Savitridevi Thirani School

Rtn Kanwal Tikoo
 Club President
 Rtn Sriram Sheshan
 Club Secretary

Rtn Shantaram Shet
 Club President
 Rtn Biju Gopalan
 Club Secretary



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Club Meetings

Club Assembly, 19th October 2024 – The Club Assembly was conducted on 19th Oct Saturday, at Satkar Residency.



Organizing Committee's of the Club.

TRF Chair	Amrit Mahotsav Project	Vocational Project	District Grant Committee	CSR India Grant	Events Committee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •PP Rtn Sunil D Joshi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ann Dr Sneha Kokate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ann Harshada Joshi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •PP Rtn Prashant Gujar •Rtn Prashant Karkhanis •Rtn Saurabh Joshi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DGND Chandrahas Shetty •IPP Rtn Nilesh Kadam •Rtn Pranav Bhosekar •PP Rtn Sunil D Joshi •Rtn Ajay Durve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Rtn Bharti Shetty •Rtn Biju Gopalan •Rtn Ajay Durve •Ann Supriya Durve •Ann Sonali Gujar •Annet Dnyanada Joshi •Annet Sumukh Joshi •Ann Harshada Joshi •Rtn Sunil S Joshi •Ann Julie Kadam •Ann Aparna Shet

If you're dynamic and enthusiastic about contributing as an organizing committee, we invite you to nominate yourself & reach out to the President or Secretary!

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Excellent Year - Special Achievement Award for RCTDT

Our Club received a **Certificate of Appreciation & Trophy – Excellent Year Special Achievement Award** which was received by **IPP Nilesh Kadam** for the **Happy School Project** for the Club's Financial Contribution/Support for End Polio Now Campaign. Congratulations to **IPP Nilesh Kadam** & the Club for the contributions!



DownTown Times – A Glimpse into Club Happening's

Annapoorna Project - Supporting the Igatpuri School for Differently Abled Children

The Igatpuri School for Differently Abled Children is a dedicated residential institution that provides essential life skills training for children with special needs. Our club has been privileged to support this school over the past seven years by contributing vital food supplies and medicines to ensure the well-being of these young learners. Continuing our commitment this year, we have supplied food grains for the months of July, August, and September 2024, covering a cost of ₹51,605. This contribution directly benefits 130 children at the school, helping to provide them with nutritious meals that support their growth and development. The full cost of this project is approximately ₹1,70,000, and **we kindly encourage all club members to consider contributing to this meaningful cause.** Every donation brings us closer to our goal of supporting these children as they gain skills and confidence for their futures. Let's continue making a difference together.

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Vocational Project - Speaker Sessions at ITI College, Dadar.

With the help and support of **Ann Harshada Sunil Joshi**, our club organized 2 speaker awareness sessions at the **Krantiveer Babu Genu ITI College, Dadar** on **19th October**, Saturday 2024. We invited esteemed speaker's **Dr Supriya Lad** to speak on **"Good Touch/Bad Touch and De-Bunking Menstrual Myths"** and **Dr Laxmikant Kasat (Lucky)** to speak on **"Mobile/Screen De-Addiction"** for around **150+ Trainees**. These Trainees come from a financially weak community to attend this government-run Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) for vocational trainings & upskilling themselves. Thanks to the amazing awareness talks conducted by both our speakers, who received a standing ovation from the 150+ beneficiaries.

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Stephane Urlick | Dinesh Mehta

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Good Touch / Bad Touch and De-Bunking Menstrual Myths

Speaker - **DR SUPRIYA LAD**

on Saturday, 19th October 2024

Venue : Ramabai Ambedkar Government ITI Dadar Mahila, Mumbai-28.

Rtn Shantaram Shet | Rtn Biju Gopalan | Shri. Vinod N. Khewalkar
President | Secretary | Principal

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- Speaker - **DR LAXMIKANT KASAT**

Mobile/Screen De-Addiction

on Saturday, 19th October 2024

Venue : Krantiveer Babu Genu Government ITI Dadar, Mumbai-28.

Rtn Shantaram Shet | Rtn Biju Gopalan | Shri. Vilesh Sankhe, DVEO
President | Secretary | Principal



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Happy Announcements - Birthdays

2nd November	Rtn Prashant Karkhanis
3rd November	Ann Sneha w/o Rtn Sujit Deshpande
5th November	Annet Manva d/o Rtn Amol & Ann Pradnya Yeola
8th November	PP Rtn Imshu Bansal
8th November	Rtn Vishwas Sathe
9th November	PP Rtn Jayanta Dey
10th November	Annet Mandar s/o PP Rtn Shrikrishna D & Ann Vrushali Naik
12th November	PP Rtn Dr. B K Mahavarkar
12th November	Annet Kaushik s/o Rtn Kalyan & Ann Durga Karmakar
13th November	Annet Sushrut s/o PP Rtn Sunil D & Ann Sandhya Joshi
19th November	Ann Reshma Biju w/o Rtn Biju Gopalan
24th November	Annet Abhijeet s/o Rtn Ajay & Ann Supriya Durve
24th November	Annet Rujul d/o Rtn Sujit & Ann Sneha Deshpande
26th November	Annet Leena d/o CP Rtn Prakash & Ann Jyoti Rao
28th November	Annet Karan Joy s/o Rtn Joy Dasan & Ann Rita Joy

Happy Announcements - Anniversary

17th November	Rtn Dr Milind & Ann Dr Sneha Kokate
21st November	Rtn Sandeep & Ann Seema Bachhuka
25th November	Rtn Ratul and Ann Trisha Lahiri
29th November	PP Rtn Shrikrishna D & Ann Vrushali Naik

Best Wishes from Rotary Club of Thane DownTown.
Many Happy Returns of the day!



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Participation in District Events

11th Oct - RI District 3142 Dussehra Mahotsav

On 11th October 2024, The District 3142 **Dussehra Mahotsav, Ram Darbar & Dandiya** event was celebrated & organised at Anantha Banquets, Manpada & Hosted by Rotary Club of Hiranandani Estate.

Our President Rtn Shantaram Shet, Rtn Chandrahas Shetty DAFSC & Spokesperson for Dist. 3142, Rtn Bharti Shetty - PR/PI Director, Rtn Sunil S Joshi - President Nominee, Ann Harshada Joshi, IPP Nilesh Kadam, Ann Julie Kadam and Ann Aparna Shet along with Annet Shaurya attended this event.



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**DG DINESH AND JYOTI MEHTA | DISTRICT FESTIVAL TEAM
ROTARY CLUB OF HIRANANDANI ESTATE**

IN ASSOCIATION WITH SARKAR GROUP PRESENT

**|| Bhagwan Shri Ramkatha ||
|| Dussehra Mahotsav ||
|| District Dandiya ||**

**Friday Oct. 11, 2024
5:30 PM - 10.30 PM**

**Anantha Banquets
Manpada, Thane West**

CLICK to Register
SINGLE 1300
COUPLE 2400
GROUP: 7600 (Min. 6)

DRESS CODE
Indian Traditional

GIFT to First 200 Registrations

WIN! WIN! PRIZES & LUCKY DRAW

PP Pradeep Thakur, Registrations +91 98205 589171
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Participation in District Events

30th Oct - RI District 3142 Diwali Pahat [Co-Hosted]

On **30th October 2024**, the District 3142 **Diwali Pahat** was organized at 6.30 am @ Kashinath Ghanekar Auditorium, Thane. This was hosted by Rotary Club of Thane Aces. Our Club Co-Hosted this event. This event was attended by DGND PP Rtn Chandrahas Shetty, Rtn Bharti Shetty, PP Rtn Rajendra Shinde & President Shantaram Shet.

DG Dinesh & Jyoti Mehta
District Core & Festival Teams
Rotary Club of Thane Aces
invites you to
Diwali Pahat

Traditional Marathi Songs
Devotional Melodious Music
Ethnic Fashion Show
Dance Performances

Co-hosting
Rs 2500/
@ 2 complimentary
registrations

Individual
Registration
Rs 500/

Registration Link
<https://zfrmz.com/Wwwz8EbN0mXG05lKW2eS>
Wednesday, 30th October 2024 @ 6.30 am
Kashinath Ghanekar Mini Auditorium Thane (W)

Sunita Jain President
Dr Sanjeev Jain Convenor
David Pezarkar Secretary
RSVP : 9820901483



Our Club received an **Appreciation Certificate** for co-hosting.

Diwali Sandhya - Gallery!

ROTARY CLUB OF THANE DOWNTOWN

PLEASE COME JOIN US FOR
FESTIVAL OF LIGHT
DIWALI CELEBRATION

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 27 5:30 PM - 10:00 PM
Venue TBA soon...
Watch the forwarded video for the Venue!!!
SO, ARE YOU READY!!

This month on the eve of Deepawali we celebrated the "**Diwali Sandhya**" followed by **Shaam-e-Ghazal** event on **27th October** Sunday at **Vihangs Inn**. A special shout out and thanks to our **DGND PP Rtn Chandrahas Shetty & Rtn Bharti Shetty** - PR/PI Director for hosting this event. Thanks to all the Rotarians, family members, **DG Dinesh Mehta, First Lady Jyoti Mehta**, District Dignitaries and all the Awesome Presidents who attended this event and made this a grand success with their wholehearted participation.

Please find some memorable glimpses of the event in the subsequent pages:

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Diwali Sandhya - Gallery! contd

