

# **Drishti** *a vision*



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**Dist 3141**



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Welcome to Drishti, the beacon illuminating the impactful endeavors of the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens. Within these pages, we unveil a tapestry of transformative initiatives, each thread woven with dedication, compassion and innovation. Join us on a journey through our community-driven projects, where every action reflects our unwavering commitment to serving humanity.

From enriching education to fostering sustainable development, Drishti embodies our vision for a brighter, more inclusive tomorrow.

Together, let's explore the stories that shape lives and inspire change.

Step into the world of Drishti, where the spirit of generosity and the drive for positive change converge harmoniously. As we navigate through the pages of our shared journey, we witness the profound impact of unity and collaboration in creating a better world for all. Through our collective efforts, we strive to uplift communities, empower individuals and sow the seeds of hope that blossom into a future filled with promise and possibility.

Friends, let us continue to illuminate the path forward, guided by the light of Drishti and fueled by the unwavering commitment to building a world where every individual is valued, every voice is heard and every heart is filled with hope!

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## *President's Message*

*Rtn. Pooja Telavane*

Vision: "To lead the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens towards a future where environmental sustainability, healthcare excellence, inclusive education, and holistic community development thrive harmoniously, fostering a world of enduring well-being and opportunity for all."

Mission: "As President of the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens, my mission is to spearhead initiatives that Champion environmental conservation efforts promoting sustainable practices, tree plantation drives, and waste management projects to preserve our planet for the future generations.

Enhance access to quality healthcare services through medical camps, vaccination drives, and partnerships with healthcare providers, ensuring every individual receives the care they need regardless of socio-economic status.

As President, nurturing fellowship means cultivating a welcoming and inclusive environment where every member feels valued, respected, and supported in their Rotary journey. It's about fostering meaningful relationships, sharing experiences and creating memories that not only enhance our personal connections but also deepen our collective commitment to Rotary's mission of service above self.



## *Editor's Note*

*Rtn. Renuka Palande*

As the Director for Environment and proud member of the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens, Dist 3141, curating this newsletter has been an exhilarating journey fueled by passion and purpose. This is our first edition and I have got the privilege to work on it.

My profound interest in environmental projects has been a driving force behind the content selection for this edition of Drishti. With a steadfast commitment to sustainability and preserving our planet, I have eagerly delved into highlighting the impactful initiatives undertaken by our club in this domain. From tree plantation drives to waste management campaigns, every project featured reflects our unwavering resolve to nurture and protect our environment for future generations.

Through the lens of Drishti newsletter, we aim to showcase not only the breadth of our environmental endeavors but also the depth of our collective impact. I have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand dedication and ingenuity of our members as they work tirelessly to enact positive change. It is with great pride that we share these stories of transformation and hope, knowing that they inspire others to join us in our mission.

As we unveil the first edition of Drishti, I invite you to immerse yourself in the stories of impact, innovation, and inspiration that define the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens. Together, let us continue to envision a future where our actions today pave the way for a greener, healthier and more sustainable tomorrow.

# Mega Tree Plantation Drive

09 July 2023

As a new Rotary year begins, a transition of leadership occurs at various levels, from club to international, resembling the anticipation and adjustment when a new boss assumes leadership in the workplace. Members, both Rotarians and Rotaractors, eagerly await the signals from the incoming leaders—signals that will define the future course of the organization.

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens commenced the new year by co hosting a significant Mega Tree Plantation drive., Setting a definitive tone for the upcoming year filled with hope and heightened awareness of our environment.



Prospective Rotaractors enthusiastically participated in the tree plantation drive.



On the rainy Sunday morning of July 9, 2023, the enthusiastic team of the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens organized a significant tree plantation drive.

The Mega Tree Plantation drive took place at the Veena Nagar cycle track, with special consideration given to the area's biodiversity during the tree planting process.



Seen in the pic President Rtn Pooja Telavane and Rtn Shweta Mohite.

# Blood Donation Drive

30 July 2023



The Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens has consistently organized successful blood donation drives, with the latest initiative held in collaboration with Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai on July 30, 2023.

Over 100 voluntary donors participated in the drive, with 63 individuals successfully donating blood.

Rigorous screening and counseling were performed by the trained team of doctors from Tata Memorial Hospital ensuring the safety and eligibility of the donors.

# Glimpses of Blood Donation Drive

30 July 2023



Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens collaborates with Tata Memorial Hospital



The enthusiastic team of Prospective Rotarians

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30 July 2023



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Tata Memorial Hospital, Rotary  
Club of Mumbai Greens and  
Prospective Rotarians I



# The Installation Day

## New President New Year New Leader

**20 Aug 2023**

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens installation ceremony is a yearly event uniting members, community leaders and guests to honor service, leadership and Rotary's values, emphasizing commitment to positive change locally and globally.



The installation ceremony commences with solemnity and respect. Dr. Poonam, the master of ceremonies, welcomes attendees, setting the tone. The outgoing president highlights the club's achievements and members' community support.



The outgoing president, Rtn Himanshu Kumar, passes the gavel to the new leader, Rtn Pooja Telavane, symbolizing the transfer of leadership in Rotary. The incoming president pledges to uphold Rotary's values and lead with integrity, empathy, and foresight.



**District Governor Rtn. Arun Bhargava ,with Assistant Governor Rtn Sachin Shigwan**



**District Governor Rtn. Arun Bhargava , with Past President Rtn Himanshu Kumar and President Rtn. Pooja Telavane**



**District Governor Rtn. Arun Bhargava ,with Assistant Governor Rtn Sachin Shigwan**



**District Governor Rtn. Arun Bhargava ,with new members**

# Glimpse of Installation Day

20 Aug 2023



Rtn. Arun Bhargava, the incredible District Governor 2023-24 (District 3141), graced the occasion with his esteemed presence.



Rtn. Pooja Telavane, President for 2023-24 of Rotary Club Mumbai Greens, addressing distinguished guests.



The esteemed President for 2023-24 of the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens, with the Board of Directors for 2023-24



Past President 2022-23 Rtn. Himanshu Kumar  
President 2023-24 Rtn. Pooja Telavane  
President Elect 2024-25 Rtn Shweta Mohite



Rtn. Sunil Mehra, Rtn. Ashok Mahajan, District Secretary Rtn. Sneha Malhotra



New Members for the year 2023-24 taking oath

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20 Aug 2023



Rtn. Arun Bhargava , the incredible district governor 2023-24 (District 3141),with fellow Presidents and district members



From Left to Right Rtn.Amol Telavane, Rtn. Dayasagar , Rtn. Sandeep Kedia, Rtn Sangita Lad, Co-President, Rtn. Manish Motwani DGND, PRID Ashok Mahajan, PDG Sunil Mehra on back Rtn Ashok,Rtn. Pooja Telavane, Rtn. Neha Gupta, DG Arun Bhargav, AG Sachin Shigwan,Rtn Bharat Jadhav, IT Governor Rajan Dua, Rtn Sneh Malhotra. CC Deveng Goradia , CC PP Radhakrishnan



Club Women Power



With Prospective Rotarators

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20 Aug 2023



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Rtn. Arun Bhargava , the incredible district governor 2023-24 felicitating best performers 2023-24- Rtn. Kirthika Ramkumar



Rtn. Arun Bhargava , the incredible district governor 2023-24 felicitating best performers 2023-24- Rtn. Vineet Agarwal



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# Fellowship Moments

In the tapestry of Rotary fellowship, each thread represents a unique story, a diverse perspective, and a common goal of creating lasting change. It is this tapestry that weaves together our collective experiences, strengths and passions, guiding us towards a brighter future filled with hope and opportunity for all.

Rotary, fellowship serves as the cornerstone of our shared mission. It is through the connections we forge with one another that we find support, inspiration and encouragement to continue our efforts in service above self. As we come together in the spirit of unity and understanding, we are reminded of the power of collaboration and the impact it can have on transforming lives and communities around the world.



# Friendship Day Celebration

5 Aug 2023

“Friends are like the crayons in my box  
each one adds a different color to my world!”



## Glimpse of Friendship Day celebration



The spirit of Mother Teresa's wisdom, "It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving," bloomed vibrantly in the hearts of the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens. In a joyous gathering to honor Friendship Day at Vasantdada Patil Shikshan Sansthan Pandurang Vidyalyay in Mulund, children and kindred spirits intertwined in a dance of shared love and jubilation. May this radiant tapestry of affection and camaraderie illuminate the path for all, carrying the echoes of a Happy Friendship Day.

In the realm of education, mentors illuminate minds and shepherd their pupils along every conceivable path.

# Environment and Sustainability

## Plastic Collection Drive

### An Ongoing Process

In an era marked by escalating environmental concerns, Rotary Clubs worldwide have stepped up to the challenge of combating plastic and e-waste pollution. With innovative projects and steadfast dedication, Rotary has been at the forefront of driving change and fostering sustainable solutions for the management of plastic and electronic waste.



Plastic pollution remains one of the most pressing environmental issues of our time. According to recent data, approximately 8 million metric tons of plastic waste enter our oceans every year, wreaking havoc on marine ecosystems and threatening biodiversity. Additionally, landfills are overflowing with plastic, posing significant risks to soil quality and groundwater contamination.

Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens have spearheaded numerous initiatives to address this crisis. From organizing community clean-up drives to promoting recycling awareness campaigns, It has been instrumental in raising awareness and instigating action against plastic pollution. By collaborating with local NGOs, Rotary has facilitated the establishment of recycling infrastructure and waste management systems, thereby reducing the amount of plastic waste destined for landfills and water bodies.

Through diligent efforts, there has been a significant increase in collecting plastic waste, with 36 kilograms gathered monthly to support various Rotary Projects.

This positive shift in collecting plastic waste not only benefits the environment but also contributes to the success of numerous Rotary Projects aimed at creating a more sustainable future. Every month, the dedicated efforts of volunteers and community members result in 36 kilograms of plastic waste being collected and properly disposed of or recycled. This collective action serves as a powerful reminder of the impact we can make when we come together with a shared goal of protecting our planet and fostering positive change.



President Rtn Pooja Telavane and Director Environment Rtn Renuka Palande

# Mental Health Seminar

Breaking The Stigma

6 Aug 2023



Prospective Rotaractors under the guidance of Rotary Members of Mumbai Greens conducted a transformative Mental Health Seminar, aimed at empowering individuals to prioritize their well-being and foster a healthier mindset.

The seminar focused on various strategies and techniques to manage stress, improve mental clarity, and cultivate resilience.

Practical tools to enhance mental health and overall quality of life were discussed. The goal of this workshop is to create a supportive and understanding space where individuals of all ages can come together to share experiences and gain valuable insights.

# Education of Children

15 Aug 2023



"Alone we can achieve little, but together we can accomplish so much" was the motto!

We marked Independence Day by raising the Indian Tricolour with the children and sharing stationery, sweets and snacks. The event was fully supported by our Rotarians Vineet Agrawal and Ram Kumar. The primary goal was to support the education of students from pre-primary to class X at Shree Sainath School in Airoli, Mumbai.



Throughout the year, we provided books, notebooks, and stationery, bringing smiles to the children and teachers.

It was a fulfilling experience that left us all with a profound sense of satisfaction knowing that we made a small but meaningful impact on someone's life!



The children's faces lit up with smiles as they received these thoughtful gifts, a gesture that truly captured the spirit of unity and generosity on this special day. The event was a wonderful example of how coming together as a community can create moments of joy and togetherness that will be cherished for years to come.

**Inset: Rtn Aditi Sharma, Rtn Poonam Panjwani, Rtn Himanshu Kumar, Rtn Ram Kumar and Rtn Vineet Agarwal with the teaching staff of Shree Sai School**



# Environment and Sustainability

## E Waste Collection Drive

### An Ongoing Process

In today's digital age, electronic devices have become an indispensable part of our lives, driving unprecedented technological advancements and connectivity. However, this rapid evolution comes with a hidden cost: electronic waste, or e-waste. E-waste poses significant environmental and health hazards if not managed properly. Globally, the amount of e-waste generated annually is staggering, with millions of tons discarded each year. In the face of this growing crisis, organizations like Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens have stepped up to address the issue through innovative solutions such as e-waste collection drives and recycling initiatives.

Recognizing the urgency of addressing the e-waste crisis, Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens has undertaken proactive measures to promote responsible e-waste management. One of its key initiatives is the E-Waste Collection Drive, aimed at encouraging individuals to dispose of their electronic devices in an environmentally sustainable manner. Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens organizes e-waste collection events every 6 months and regular awareness campaigns to raise public consciousness about the importance of recycling e-waste.



President Rtn Pooja Telavane and Director Environment Rtn Renuka Palande

In our efforts to protect the environment and promote sustainability, the two E-waste collection drives were a great success. By actively participating in these drives, we collectively prevented 35 kgs of electronic waste from ending up in landfills. This not only helps in reducing environmental impact but also promotes the responsible recycling and disposal of electronic devices. Let's continue to work together in making a positive difference for our planet.

# Senior Citizen Day

29 Aug 2023



Senior Citizen Day is an annual observance dedicated to honoring and celebrating the contributions and achievements of older adults in our communities. It is a day to recognize the wisdom, experience, and invaluable guidance that senior citizens provide to society. Across the globe, Senior Citizen Day serves as a reminder to appreciate and cherish the elderly members of our families and communities, acknowledging their profound impact on shaping our past, present, and future.



# Ganapati Bappa Morya

10 Sep 2023

The children of Runwal Greens truly embraced creativity and community spirit by crafting their very own Ganapati Bappa idols this year with Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens.

Children with their youthful enthusiasm and innovative ideas, they brought a special touch to the celebrations, showcasing the beauty of handmade art and the importance of coming together as a community to honor this beloved deity.

Their dedication and efforts not only added a personal touch to the festivities but also served as a wonderful example of how traditions can be honored in new and meaningful ways. Ganapati Bappa must surely be smiling down upon these young artists with pride and joy, as they continue to spread happiness and positivity through their unique and heartfelt tribute.



# Annadaan

07th October 2023 to 10th October 2023

The primary objective of this commendable initiative is to alleviate the challenges faced by the underprivileged by ensuring they receive a nutritious meal daily.

The Annadaan project, spearheaded by the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens (RCMG), stands as a touching endeavor aimed at aiding the disadvantaged.

At its core, this laudable initiative seeks to alleviate the hardships of impoverished individuals by providing them with daily nourishment.

What sets this project apart is the significant support from affluent community members. Through their generous contributions, a sense of communal solidarity and compassion is vividly demonstrated as they extend a helping hand to ensure those in financial need have access to essential sustenance.

The Raj Roti Center in Mulund West served as the central hub for implementing the Annadaan project. Here, key RCMG members, including Rtn Aditi Sharma, Rtn Amol Telavane, Rtn Shweta Mohite, and President Pooja Telavane, played pivotal roles in realizing this initiative.

Their proactive engagement underscores the club's dedication to social welfare and community service.



# Glimpse of Annadaan

07th October 2023 to 10th October 2023



# Diwali Workshop

6 November 2023 to 11 November 2023



During the Diwali Holidays, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens organized a workshop for children in the Runwal Green community. Activities included storytelling, lantern crafting, diya decoration, card making, and more, with over 30 children participating.

The workshop was filled with children collaborating on handmade cards, candle platters, electronics projects, rangoli art, and torn craft creations.



Throughout the workshop, the children not only honed their artistic skills but also forged lasting friendships and cherished memories. As the workshop came to an end, their faces beamed with pride and satisfaction, their hearts full from the joyous experiences they shared. The Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens was delighted to witness the children's enthusiasm and creativity blossom, fostering a spirit of community and togetherness that will linger long after the Diwali festivities have ended.

# Club Hop



District Governor's Installation Ceremony attended by President Rtn Pooja Telavane



Co President's Installation Ceremony attended by President Rtn Pooja Telavane

# Recycle and Sustainability

10 Dec 2023

Teaching children about sustainability from a young age is crucial for fostering a sense of environmental responsibility. The Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens, in partnership with Ms. Dimple Mehra, the visionary founder of Svaguna Food Foresters, is embarking on a noble mission to transform arable lands into lush food forests. What began as a simple initiative to plant trees has evolved into a comprehensive strategy that leverages mutual support and collaboration.

In the contemporary world, the pervasive issue of plastic pollution extends even to rural and forested areas. Thus, the concentrated effort to eradicate plastic waste, in conjunction with broader ecosystem restoration efforts, lies at the heart of our endeavors. By promoting sustainable practices and championing eco-friendly solutions, we strive to create a greener, cleaner future for generations to come.



In our mission to combat plastic pollution and restore the environment, every small step we take makes a significant impact. Through education and advocacy, we aim to raise awareness about the detrimental effects of plastic waste on our ecosystems and inspire collective action. By supporting initiatives that promote recycling, reduce single-use plastics, and encourage responsible consumption, we can pave the way for a more sustainable and thriving planet. Together, we have the power to make a difference and safeguard the beauty of our natural world for all beings to enjoy.

# CPR

16 Dec 2023



As part of a medical awareness initiative, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens, in partnership with USSH, conducted a highly informative workshop. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is a vital lifesaving skill and possessing the correct knowledge on its application is pivotal in saving lives.

During the workshop, a team of medical experts demonstrated CPR techniques employing Ambu Bags. The Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens has procured Ambu Bags to distribute to each tower and to maintain a few at the Clubhouse, a central venue for various activities.

This initiative aims to empower community members with the necessary skills to respond effectively in emergency situations. The CPR workshop provided participants with hands-on practice and guidance on the correct techniques to administer CPR, emphasizing the importance of quick action and proper execution to increase the chances of survival.

The Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens is ensuring that these life-saving devices are readily available in key locations within the community by distributing Ambu Bags to each tower and keeping some at the Clubhouse.

This proactive approach not only equips individuals with the tools they need to make a difference but also fosters a sense of unity and preparedness among residents.

Through collaborative efforts and ongoing education, the Rotary Club of Mumbai Greens and USSH are working together to create a safer and more resilient community where everyone can play a part in saving lives.

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