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Club of Marine Drive Mumbai  
RID 3141 (Club id: 224516)



President Ramesh JS Chandra and  
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Rotary Club of Marine Drive Mumbai

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District 3141



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**DR. MANISH MOTWANI**

District Governor: RID-3141  
Rotary Year 2025-26

Club id: 224516 **Rotary Club of Marine Drive Mumbai** Charter Date 15.06.2022

**President Rtn. Ramesh JS Chandra - Hon. Secretary Rtn. PP Bharti D. Gurjar**

4<sup>th</sup> Year of a thriving Rotary Club - Bulletin Editor: PP Ramon R. Abrol

**The RCMDM Club Bulletin: Dil-Ki-Kitaab Issue: 2025-26/04 (1<sup>st</sup> Nov' 2025 to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec'2025)**

**President's message:** As RCMDM begins the 7<sup>th</sup> month in its 4<sup>th</sup> year, being the INSPIRE Rotary Year 2025-26, with INSPIRED actions in RID-3141 under astute guidance of our esteemed District Governor Dr. Manish Motwani, District First Lady Dr. Mahek Motwani and senior District Officers appointed by our DG to guide and support our club comprising Asst. Governor Dr. Nilam Gada, ALF Dipti Rajda, DS Smita Parekh and Chief Coordinator-South Monica Grover, our club is determined and inspired to continue being a FULLY COMPLIANT Rotary Club. My PARTNER CHANDRAKALA joins me in extending gratitude to our DG, First Lady and all the above named Officers. Sincere GRATITUDE to my INSPIRE Co-Presidents, to my dear BOD members, club members & their respective partners for proactive participation & support in club meetings & activities and also to Rotarians of District & other Rotary clubs, to our invited guests and to my colleagues and friends in Mumbai Defence Veterans Organization for fabulous & unstinted support provided to my club & me in INSPIRE Rotary Journey, especially by attending Installation Event on 21/06/2025 and Kargil Vijay Diwas on 26/07/25.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026, in last 6 months, we accomplished: Holding 12 Regular Club Meetings, 2 each month (the Installation event was held in previous Rotary Year on 21/06/25); Holding 6 Board Meetings, 1 each month; held 1 Club Assembly, Co-hosted 3 District Events, Co-hosted 1 District Project jointly with several SoBo clubs under District guidance; Completed 10 Community Service Projects. More details and pictures on action feature in the inner pages. We lost 3 members on 30/06/2025 BUT added 3 new members on 30/06/2025, thus effectively retained membership count of 28 as on 30/06/25. In July/August 2025, we added 5 new active members & 1 new honorary member, thus achieving membership growth of 21% in RY 2025-26, so far. We uploaded our Club Monthly Reports for period July to December 2025 on rotaryindia.org, paid Statutory H1 dues to RISAO, Magazine dues to RNT, Annual dues to RID-3141 & uploaded our club's ITR for FY 2024-25 well within time and also received Nil Dues Assessment Order.

~Ramesh JS Chandra.

**GREETINGS & CELEBRATIONS**

**NOVEMBER 2025:** RTN. RUSTOM AND SHEHNAZ BILLIMORIA=W/A=3RD - RTN. PRASHANT AND POOJA RATNAPARKHI=W/A=5TH  
RTN. ARUNRAJ AND RAJASHREE PAI=W/A=25TH - RTN. DAMYANTI D. CHHEDA=B/D=25TH  
RTN. CAPT. RISHABH AND KIRTI KAPUR=W/A=27TH - RTN. DR. PRASHANT RATNAPARKHI=B/D=29TH

**WISHING YOU ALL THE VERY BEST, FROM ALL OF US IN ROTARY CLUB OF MARINE DRIVE MUMBAI (RCMDM)**

**DECEMBER 2025:** RTN. ARCHANA A. KATAKDHOND=B/D=1st - RTN.NAYAN+DEEPALI RAWAL=W/A=6TH  
RTN. DR. SANJAY G. GODBOLE=B/D=9TH - RTN. TUSHAR GUNDERIA=B/D=9TH - RTN. ARUNRAJ D. PAI=B/D=12TH  
RTN. DR. ANUJA S. PURANDARE=B/D=23RD - RTN. SURENDRA+SOHINI PATEL=W/A=25TH  
RTN. SHRADDHA S. GOLVANKAR=B/D=28TH - RTN. LEENA Y. JESRANI=B/D=28TH

**BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES GREETINGS TO OUR DEAREST RCMDM ROTARIANS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE SPOUSES**

**JANUARY 2026:** PARTNER BAKHTAWAR RAMON ABROL=B/D=2ND - RTN. LEENA+YOGESH JESRANI=W/A=3RD  
RTN. NORINA FERNANDES=B/D=7TH - RTN. RAMON+BAKHTAWAR ABROL=W/A=17TH  
PARTNER SOHINI S. PATEL=B/D=19TH - PARTNER DR. SHEKHAR ANUJA PURANDARE=B/D=26TH

**My dear Inspire RCMDM Club members and respective partners:**

**Here is a brief synopsis of action taken in/for INSPIRE Rotary Year from 01/07/2025 to 31/12/2025. Details are published in pages to follow:**

**10.06.2025:** Inspire Rotary Year Directors Orientation Program Event Co-hosted by RCMDM: Held at C.K.Nayadu Hall, CCI Club, 4 pm onwards, attended by 6 members of RCMDM. Event was covered & published in Bulletin no. 06 of previous Rotary Year 2024-25;

**21.06.2025:** Inspire Rotary Year Installation event of RCMDM: Held at IMC, Churchgate, Mumbai, with DG Dr. Manish Motwani and District First Lady Dr. Mahek Motwani as Chief Guest with about 105 attendees comprising District Officers, Co-Presidents, Invited Guests, Defence Veterans, RCMDM Members and Partners and Rotarians from other Rotary clubs, 10.30am onwards followed by Sumptuous Lunch. The event was covered and published in Bulletin no. 06 of previous Rotary Year 2024-25;

**01.07.2025:** 1st Community Service Project cum Event led by RID-3141: RCMDM Co-Hosted: Blood donation Camp was held at Church Gate Station with 15 other Rotary Clubs in SoBo, with lead taken by RID-3141 Medical Avenues II, III & IV. Total 60 Bottles of Blood were collected for use by Hospital Blood Banks. Same evening Anand Utsav Event was held at Bal Gandharv Rang Mandir, Bandra, with 6 members from RCMDM attending at both places. RCMDM co-hosted this project/event by contributing Rs.10000/-.

**19.07.2024:** RCMDM's 1st BOD meet followed by 1st Regular Speaker Meet: Speaker being eminent Mathemagician Mr. Minoo Jokhi in the INSPIRE R.Y. 2025-26, was held at premise of Abrol Family at Soona Mahal, Marine Drive, 5pm onwards. In BOD meet we discussed & approved: events/projects/meetings completed & forthcoming, I/E account up to date, budget for RY 2025-26 & new members added/to be added/positions allocationS. Attendees (Guests+RCMDMites): Regular meet= 40; Attendees: BOD meet = 21.

**26.07.2024:** RCMDM's 2nd Regular Meet cum conjoined 2<sup>nd</sup> Community Service Project: Hosted 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS as Lead Host Club at Thakur Shyam High School Auditorium, Thakur Village, Kandivali East, 3.30 pm onwards. Chief Guest was Assistant Governor Rtn. Dr. Nilam Gada. About 30 Indian Veterans of Armed Forces, who were part of Kargil War and 15 unsung heroes of different professions were welcomed, introduced, recognized and felicitated with presentation of mementos, including our own member Rtn. Ramesh JS Chandra who is a veteran senior officer of Indian Navy. RCMDM co-hosted this event at an expense incurred by Pres. Ramesh. Attendees: Members=15 & Partners/Invitees=2. (UPTO HERE WAS COVERED IN JULY MONTH BULLETIN OF RCMDM)

**12.08.2025:** RCMDM 3<sup>rd</sup> Community Service Project: RCMDM donated 2 large cupboards to Sundatta High School, Tardeo, upon a request received from the school, for their Chemistry Lab. Donation was magnanimously done by our VP Rtn. Dr. Sanjay Godbole.

**15.08.2025:** RCMDM's 3<sup>rd</sup> Regular Meet: Conjoined and held with the 79<sup>TH</sup> Independence Day Celebration at our Interact School, Prabodhan Kurla Primary Secondary School at Kurla on 15/08/2025, with flag hoisting in the morning. Attendees from RCMDM = 12. Biscuit packets were presented on Independence day to all students and teachers of the School.

**17.08.2024:** RCMDM's 2nd BOD meet cum 4<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting cum 4<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project: (Speaker being eminent Management Consultant Dr. Ashok Sanghvi): This was held at premise of Abrol Family at Soona Mahal, Marine Drive, 10.30am onwards. In BOD meet we discussed & approved: events/projects/meetings completed & forthcoming, I/E account up to date, P&L A/c & Balance Sheet for FY 2024-25 and new members added/to be added and positions allocation to them in BOD. Attendees (Guests + RCMDMites) at regular meeting = 35; Attendees at BOD meeting from RCMDM = 20. Also, cheque of Rs.50000/- magnanimously donated by Mr. Prakash Waghmare plus citations prepared by Pres. Ramesh and gifts brought by PE Nayan were given to the TWO Topper Girl and Boy and to the TWO 2<sup>nd</sup> from Top Girl and Boy passing the SSC exam in Academic Year ending 2025, of Madhyamik Shala, Mandavane, Karjat. School Principal and 1 Teacher were also present.

**24.08.2025:** Inspire Rotary Year TRF Seminar Event: Co-hosted by RCMDM: Contribution of Rs.10000/- by Pres. Ramesh: Held at NSCI, Worli, Mumbai. From RCMDM, PP Mahesh Hirlekar, TRF Director and Rtn. Nayan Rawal, President Elect attended the event.

(UPTO HERE WAS COVERED IN THE JULY AND AUGUST MONTH BULLETINS OF RCMDM)

**07.09.2025:** RCMDM's 1<sup>st</sup> Club assembly cum 3<sup>rd</sup> BOD Meet cum 5<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting: Held, 5pm onwards, at premise of Abrol family at Soona Mahal, Marine Drive, Mumbai. Chief Guest at Club Assembly was Asst. Govn. Dr. Nilam Gada. Attendees (Guests + RCMDM members + partners) at 1<sup>st</sup> club assembly and 5<sup>th</sup> regular meeting = 26; Attendees at BOD meeting from RCMDM = 20.

**17.09.2025:** RCMDM's 5<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project: Annapoorna: Sunanda Foundation's Radhika Old Age Home, 12pm onwards.

**27.09.2025:** RCMDM's 6<sup>th</sup> Regular Meet Conjoined with Awards Event: Co-hosted in full strength the AMPLE MISSION 2025 AWARDS event held at K. C. College, Back-bay Reclamation, Mumbai, 10.30am onwards, followed by Lunch, an event in which India's Protectors, Mumbai Police, CISF, Indian Defence Forces personnel and iconic unsung civilian heroes were recognized & felicitated.

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**28.09.2025: RCMDM's 6<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project:** Eye check-up camp organised and held at Singh Estate Slum Premise, Kandivali East, Mumbai, 9.30am onwards, led by Pres. Ramesh & First Lady Chandrakala and Director Raj Kamal Prasad Verma.

**16.10.2024: RCMDM's 7<sup>th</sup> Regular Meet cum conjoined 7<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project:** Back to Back, Diwali Gifting at TWO locations: One at Dongri remand Home, led by VP Dr. Sanjay Godbole and second at Interact Club Prabodhan Kurla School, led by Director Rtn. Archana Thite, including Installation function cum Diwali gifting cum Regular Club Meeting, 10am onwards, at Prabodhan Kurla School, Kurla East, Mumbai. Total cost of both projects being Rs.46000/-. On the same day we also Inaugurated the Furniture donation to Prabodhan Kurla School, duly repaired and installed, under donation from magnanimous Rtns. Kaajal & Suresh Thadani worth an amount of about Rs.5,00,000/-.

**29.10.2024: RCMDM's 4<sup>th</sup> BOD meet cum 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting:** Held, 5pm onwards, at premise of Rtn. Savitri Jhaveri, followed by High Tea and Snacks. Attendees: RCMDM BOD Meeting= 18members + 2 invitee Partners; RCMDM Regular Meeting= 20 All items on agenda of notice circulated earlier by email were approved and adopted unanimously. The BOD meeting was followed by Regular meeting comprising discussions and deliberations for new projects/events and for fund raising from donors/under CSR.

**(ALL OF THE ABOVE WAS COVERED IN THE JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER MONTHS BULLETINS OF RCMDM)**

**02/06.11.2025: RCMDM's 8<sup>th</sup> Community Service projects under Rotary Service Week (RSW):** Eye Care Camp under the Rotary Service Week (RSW) was co-hosted by RCMDM, along with lead host club RC Bombay Kandivali, at Gyantara School, Hanuman Nagar, Kandivali East, Mumbai, on Sunday 02/11/2025, 10am to 3pm, co-hosting@Rs.10000/-. Also, another eye-check-up camp on same day in SoBo at Panchratna CHSL, co-hosted by RCMDM @Rs.2000/- in South Mumbai jointly with 10 other SoBo Rotary Clubs. This was followed by visit to Radhika Old Age home, Bhayandar, to provide meals and gifts to Senior Citizens, on 06/11/2025.

**08.11.2025: RCMDM's 5<sup>th</sup> BOD cum 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Meet:** Held on Sat. 08/11/2025, 5pm onwards @Soona Mahal, followed by spirited dinner. Guest speaker was Dr. Anuja Purandare. Attendees: RCMDM BOD Meet=21members + 2 invitee Partners; Regular Meet= 34.

**22/23.11.2025: RCMDM's 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting conjoined with 9<sup>th</sup> Service Project for Youth:** Donation of over Rs.62,000/- for participation of Visually Challenged Indian Youth, initiated by Pres. Ramesh JS Chandra, to participate in Endurance International Skating Championship 2025 on 22/23 November 2025 at Pune.

**03/12/2025: RCMDM 11<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting conjoined with 10<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project:** Annual Elocution Contest for SoBo School Kids, Brahman Sabha, Opera House, Mumbai, with participation by 8 schools for English and Marathi segments, both.

**07/12/2025: RCMDM 12<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting conjoined with 6<sup>th</sup> BOD meeting conjoined with 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING:** Morning 10.00am onwards: Venue: Soona Mahal, Marine Drive, Mumbai 400 020. Guest speakerS: Rtn. Tushar Gunderia and Rtn. Carolyn Sutherland, along with her husband and son, visiting from RC of NIWOT, Colorado, USA.

**20/12/2025: RCMDM 11<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project:** Final donation of Rs.295,000/- for scholarships of rural kids COMPLETED;

**INSPIRE ROTARY YEAR 2025-26: UPDATES ON SALIENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS & FORTHCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS:**

**1. Here is a list of forthcoming meetings, events & projects of RCMDM:**

**4.1. RCMDM's 12<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project:** CSR Funds Donation of about Rs.8,40,000/- for the school building interiors and exteriors renovations and for installing CC TV Camera system AND Inaugurating the Furniture donation worth Rs.5,00,000/- at Prabodhan Kurla School, Kurla, Mumbai: → Date/time/venue → Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2026, 11am to 12.30pm. (Total Project Value=Rs.13,40,000/-)

**4.2. RCMDM's 13<sup>th</sup> Community Service project: BLOCK THE DATE: 11.01.2026: 7.30am onwards: ANNUAL DEFENCE VETERANS PARADE @Marine Drive→ Schedule & exact location being shared on club whatsapp group;**

**4.3. RCMDM's 14<sup>th</sup> Community Service project:** Medicines donation worth INR 1,15,110/- AT Ramakrishna Mission Hospital AND worth Rs.2,34,652/- AT Prasad Chikitsa initiated by our member Rtn. Raj Kamal Prasad Verma & CSR funding of Rs.3,60,000/- organised by RCMDM for medical/school requirements at Ramakrishna Mission School/Hospital: → Date/time/venue → To be Announced (TBA). (Total Project Value=Rs.7,09,762/-)

**4.4. BLOCK THE DATE: 11.01.2026: DEFENSE VETERANS ANNUAL MARCH: 7.30am: NCPA/Marine Drive.**

**4.5. BLOCK THE DATE: 18.01.2026: RCMDM 13<sup>TH</sup> Regular meet cum Fellowship Picnic Day Trip To KHOPOLI,** being hosted by Rtns. Dr. Sanjay and Surekha Godbole at their Farm House;

**4.6. BLOCK THE DATE: 31.01.2026: RCMDM 7<sup>TH</sup> BOD meet cum 14<sup>TH</sup> Regular meet: Soona Mahal, Marine Drive;**

**2. RI Dues for H1, RID-3141 District Dues & Rotary News Magazine Dues for RY 2025-26 → Duly paid within time; Club's ITR for FY 2024-25 → Filed well within time → Assessment order received with Nil Dues;**

**3. Membership: Started with 28, on 01/07/2025, added 5 Active members & 1 Honorary member in Inspire Rotary Year, reaching a total of 34 members as on 31/12/2025;**

**4. Club Monthly Reports uploaded on rotary.org for period July to December 2025, thus Fully compliant;**

**WISHING ALL OF US "CELEBRATIONS" ON AUSPICIOUS OCCASIONS IN DECEMBER AS WE CELEBRATED CHRISTMAS ON 25<sup>TH</sup> AND THEN USHERED IN NEW YEAR 2026 ON 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY.**

**~Ramesh JS Chandra. ....4.**

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**ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY KANDIVALI**  
Co-Hosted By  
**ROTARY CLUB OF MARINE DRIVE MUMBAI**

**Free Eye Check Up Camp**

**Date:** Sunday, 2nd November, 2025  
**Time:** 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Services Offered**

- ★ Refractive Error Detection – Identify Vision Problems like Myopia, Hypermetropia, and Astigmatism.
- ★ Eye Disease & Cataract Screening – Early Detection to Prevent Vision Loss and Guide Timely Treatment.
- ★ Free Consultation & Spectacle Prescription if Needed

**Venue**

- ★ Gyantara School, Jay Bajrang Welfare - Society, Road No. 2, Hanuman Nagar, Kandivali East, Mumbai - 400 101.

*"Caring for young eyes and the elderly alike. Bring your family along — clear vision leads to clear goals!"*

Rtn. Dr. Manish Motwani District Governor 25-26  
Rtn. Dr. Indumati Gopinathan Group Avenue Head, RSW  
Rtn. Rajendran Unnikrishnan Avenue Chair, RSW  
Rtn. Krishna Chaturvedi RSW Chairperson  
Rtn. Prashant Mishra Club President  
Rtn. Anubha Goyal Club Secretary  
Rtn. Ramesh JS Chandra RC Marine Drive Mumbai President  
Rtn. Dr. Neeta Doshiwadi Project Chairperson

**Rotary District 3141 Service Week**

Lead Host : Rotary Club of Bombay Midtown

**Project Name: Eye Care**  
Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2025

**Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

Rtn. Dr. Manish Motwani DG 25-26  
Rtn. Dr. Indumati Gopinathan Group Avenue Head RSW  
Rtn. Rajendran Unnikrishnan Avenue Chair RSW

Lead Host Club President, Secretary, RSW Chairman & Project Chairman  
Rtn. Dr. Svetlana Toshniwal Rtn. Sonal Chandalia Rtn. Jigisha Parekh & Dr. Deepak Garg

**Co-Hosts**

- RCR Harbortown
- RCR Harbour View
- RCR Malabar Hill
- RCR Consoquitos
- RCR Hanging Garden
- RCR Marine Drive
- RCR Mumbai SOBO
- RCR Nariman Point
- RCR P. West
- RCR Queen City

**रोटरी सेवा सप्ताह डिस्ट्रिक्ट 3141**

Lead Host : Rotary Club of Bombay Midtown

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**Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

Rtn. Dr. Manish Motwani DG 25-26  
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This was followed by visit to Radhika Old Age home, Bhayandar, to provide meals and gifts to Senior Citizens, on 06/11/2025, attended by Pres. Ramesh and first lady Chandrakala and cost of about Rs.25,000/- borne by them. KUDOS TO RTN. RAJ KAMAL PRASAD VERMA AND PRESIDENT RAMESH JS CHANDRA AND FIRST LADY CHANDRAKALA CHANDRA FOR FABULOUSLY WELL CONDUCTED PROJECTS UNDER THE ROTARY SERVICE WEEK OF RID-3141.



Senior citizens dancing and singing to celebrate visit by Rotarians at their old age home.



**08.11.2025: RCMDM's 5<sup>th</sup> BOD meet cum 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting: 5pm onwards, at Soona Mahal, Marine Drive, Mumbai:**

5<sup>th</sup> BOD cum 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Speaker of INSPIRE Rotary Year 2025-26 was held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2025 from 5.30pm onwards at residence of Abrol family at Soona Mahal. Meetings started with welcome tea, coffee & snacks, followed by BOD meeting, chaired by Vice President Dr. Sanjay Godbole (due to Pres. Ramesh getting stuck in traffic and delayed in arrival), from 5.30pm to 6.15pm, wherein all items on agenda were approved/adopted unanimously. Regular meeting was from 6.30pm onwards, called to order by Pres. Ramesh, followed by National Anthem, intro of guest speaker by Rtn. Archana Thite and a fabulous eye opening talk by Rtn. Dr. Anuja Purandare on the Sanskrit Vedic Literature. 2 partners & 21 members of RCMDM attended the BOD meeting and a total of 34 attended Regular speaker meeting including guests, partners, invitees. Club Secretary Bharti made secretarial announcements



Dr. Anuja took blessings of ALMIGHTY before starting her wonderful and highly enlightening talk on Sanskrit Vedic Literature.



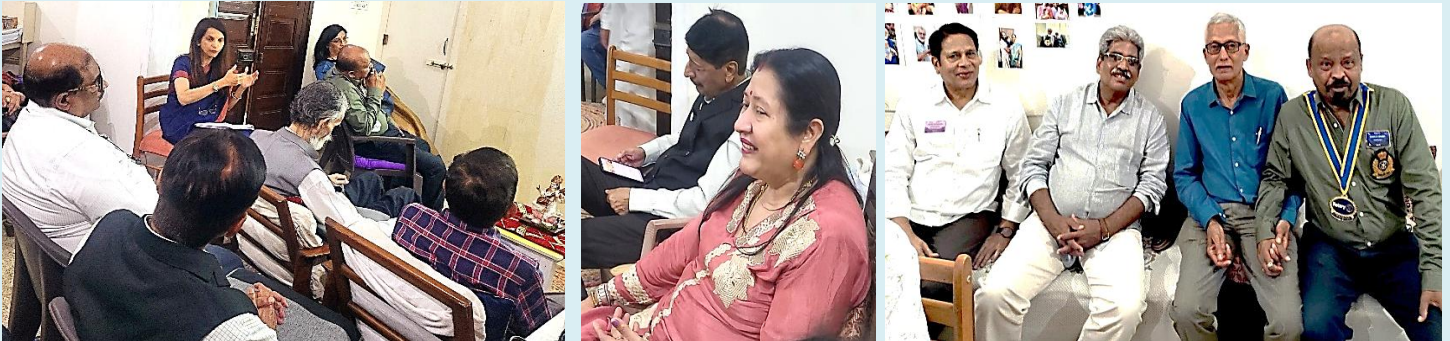
The PPT presentation and lucid explanation on sanskrit vedic literature, the VEDS and the relationship to Indian culture, the meanings behind the VEDS ..... all explained very succintly and meaningfully well by Dr. Anuja Purandare.



Cont'd: 08.11.2025: RCMDM's 5<sup>th</sup> BOD meet cum 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting: 5pm onwards, at Soona Mahal, Marine Drive:



Great meeting. Great attendance. Meeting was followed by vote of thanks and then cake cutting for birthdays and anniversaries.



Meeting ended with spirited dinner enjoyed by all with eatables brought in by many RCMDMites. ....7.

**22/23.11.2025: RCMDM's 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting conjoined with 9<sup>th</sup> Service Project for Youth: @ Pune:**

Donation of over Rs.62,200/- for participation of FOUR Visually Challenged Indian Youth, initiated by Pres. Ramesh JS Chandra, to participate in Endurance International Skating Championship 2025 on 22/23 November 2025 at Pune, with Rs.27,200/- donated by CHANDRA family and Rs.35,000/- donated by ABROL family. Meeting and Event attended by RCMDM Rotarians Club President Ramesh, First Lady Chandrakala, Club Secretary Bharti, PP Ramon, Rashmi and Brahma Avatar. The four participants were accompanied by their coach and mentor.



The good part of the International Skating Championship: There were more than 450 skaters participating in various age capacities from 9 countries Sri Lanka, Nepal, Kenya, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Philippines, Maldives, Senegal and India. And the Skating competition was excellently conducted with fairness.

The challenging part: There were no participants from other 8 countries in the Visually Challenged segment, except the 4 contestants from India, sponsored by RCMDM.

THE BEST PART: OUR 4 CONTESTANTS DECLARED WINNERS IN THAT SEGMENT BASED UPON TIMING OF THEIR SKATING ROUNDS. Well done, President Ramesh JS Chandra and First Lady Chandrakala.



**03/12/2025: RCMDM 11<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting conjoined with 10<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project: Annual Elocution Contest** for SoBo School Kids, Brahman Sabha, Opera House, Mumbai, with participation by 9 schools for the English and Marathi segments, both, held from 9.30am till 1.30pm followed by lunch for Guests, Judges and Rotarinas and packed snack boxes for participating students and accompanying teachers/parents, all magnanimously and warmly hosted by Rtns. Dr. Sanjay and Surekha Godbole. The winning students, coming 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>, were given gifts & certificates and all the participating students not achieving 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> position were given participation certificates.



President Ramesh Called the meeting to order with the national anthem. VP Dr. Sanjay welcomed all attendees and introduced the judges and provided a synopsis of the elocution contest, a proud annual event of RCMDM. PP Ramon Abrol and Archana Thite anchored the contest for English segment at Ground floor hall and Rtns. Surekha Godbole, PP Arvind Katakdhond and Sumitra Hirlekar anchored the contest for Marathi segment at first floor level.





Almost 60% of RCMDM members attended and put in tremendous effort in coordinating various aspects of the contest from registrations to preparing program to preparing certificates to getting gifts to helping in doing a lot of leg work in making the event to be literally flawlessly successful. 9 schools participated and about over 50 students participated, divided onto 4 segments: Stds. 5 to 7 English - Stds. 5 to 7 Marathi - Stds. 8 to 10 English - Stds. 8 to 10 Marathi. The 6 eminent judges: Rtns. Norina Fernandes, Dr. Prashant Ratnaparkhi, Mr. Vikas Pranjpaye, Mr. Raj Saraf Ms. Sneha Paranjpaye and Mr. M. Soman. 3 Judged the contest for English segment and 3 for Marathi segment.



Dr. Sanjay and Surekha, Pres. Ramesh, Secretary Bharti, Youth Director Archana T., PP Mahesh and Sumitra, IPP Arvind & Archana, PE Nayan, Rustom, Nilofer, Arunraj, Dr. Anuja, Damyanti, Norina & Savio, Dr. Ratnaparkhi, Brahma Avatar & PP Ramon attended and all RCMDMites put in their effort in handling some task or the other, beautifully, making the program flawless and highly successful. Registration desk, putting names on certificates, handling timer, co-ordinating gifts/certificates presenting, ensuring all students and guests got their snack-box/ate lunch, handling photography, taking care of tea/coffee/lunch .... Just about everything was handled by each of the present RCMDMites, flawlessly. Expert photography was done by Nilofer & Archana Katakdhand and also by Mahesh and Sumitra Hirlekar.



**03/12/2025:** Cont'd: RCMDM 11<sup>th</sup> Regular meet conjoined with 10<sup>th</sup> Comm. Service Project: Annual Elocution Contest: Upon completion, award certificates and participation certificates were presented through hands of the 6 judges and club President. The 6 judges were felicitated with a token of appreciation. Expression of gratitude was extended to Trustees/Officers of Brahman Sabha present for their large hearted hosting of this annual event of RCMDM.





The elocution contest event ended with RCMDM's regular meeting chaired by President Ramesh JS Chandra.



**07/12/2025: RCMDM 12<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting conjoined with 6<sup>th</sup> BOD meeting conjoined with 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING:**

10.00am onwards: Soona Mahal, Marine Drive, Mumbai -20. Guest speakers: Rtn. Tushar Gunderia and Rtn. Carolyn Sutherland, along with her husband and son, visiting from RC of NIWOT, Colorado, USA, were welcomed warmly.



An action packed meeting, it was, today: Tea/coffee/snacks started from 9.30am. 6<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting was held from 10.15am to 11am, chaired by VP Dr. Sanjay Godbole due to slight delay in arrival of Pres. Ramesh JS Chandra. Notice, agenda and annexures having been circulated earlier, all items on agenda were approved/adopted unanimously.



4<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting was held from 11.15am to 11.45am, chaired by President Ramesh. Notice, agenda and annexures having been circulated earlier, all items on agenda were approved/adopted unanimously.



12<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting was chaired by Pres. Ramesh from 12noon onwards and we had two guest speakers:

- Rtn. Carolyn Sutherland addressed us fabulously for 20 minutes as visiting Rotarian from NIWOT Rotary Club from NIWOT town in Colorado, USA. She was accompanied by her husband Cody and son Reid.
  - Rtn. Tushar Gunderia, our own club esteemed member, addressed us for 30 minutes from 12.20pm onwards, sharing his corporate journey reaching to Recognitions received for excellence by him and his company, Blue Dart Limited.
- Introductions were done by Leena Jesrani for Rtn. Carolyn Sutherland & by Archana Thite for Rtn. Tushar Gunderia.





After the address by both speakers, Secretarial announcements were done by PP Bharti Gurjar. Vote of thanks was superbly done by Yogesh Jesrani. Meetings followed by cake cutting for celebrating birthdays & wedding anniversaries.



Excellent photography by Nilofer and Mahesh. Superb support by staff Anil, Ganesh & Jaya. Awesome coordination of tea/ coffee/snacks & lunch by Sumitra, Archana K., Damyanti. ALL IN ALL, a fabulous set of RCMDM Meetings conjoined together in one meeting, indeed. Everyone enjoyed the Bon-homie and the Spirited Lunch. Excellent items of food and snacks and sweets and beer were brought in by: Rtns. Ramesh+Chandrakala Chandra, Arvind+Archana Katakdhond, Norina+Savio Fernandes, Bharti+Dilip Gurjar. Big thanks to staff Anil, Ganesh & Jaya for fab food & excellent serving.

**THANK YOU RTN. CAROLYN, PARTNER CODY AND SON REID FOR GRACING OUR ROTARY CLUB AND ADDRESSING US.**  
**THANK YOU RTN. TUSHAR GUNDERIA FOR ADDRESSING YOUR VERY OWN ROTARY CLUB ON YOUR WONDERFUL JOURNEY OF WINNING CORPORATE AWARDS FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR COMPANY**

**20/12/2025:** RCMDM 11<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project: Final donation of Rs.295,000/- for scholarships of rural kids **COMPLETED** and thus this entire project of supporting 31 rural girls and boys for their education & training to become nurses/lab technicians/pathologists through coordination & help from eminent NGO Pragati Pratishtan, AND to SET-UP a new Tailoring Skill Centre at their Jawhar Campus, now stands completed with **total project value being Rs.24,38,570.00** and donations coming in from several philanthropic & magnanimous donors, starting from RY 2023-24 and getting completed now. Sharing below details of students supported, amounts paid & education course/duration:

**For first lot of 9 rural girls and 1 rural boy (Total 10):**

FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24 ==> PAID Rs.3,70,000/- - FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-25 ==> PAID Rs.4,60,000/-  
 A sum of Rs.64,850/- was also paid for complimenting the NINE GIRLS for success in completing education & training by giving Rs.7,200/- to each for purchase of new clothes, shoes, bags and cosmetics.==> PAID Rs.64,850/-

PRAGATI PRATISHTHAN SUPPORTED BY ROTARY CLUB OF MARINE DRIVE, MUMBAI STUDENT LIST FOR SCHOLARSHIP ACADEMIC YHEAR 2023-24 & 2024-25 (FOR 2 YEARS) COLLEGE NAME- SHREE GAJANAN MAHARAJ NURSING COLLEGE, JAWHAR				
No.	Student Name	Education	Amount Received in 2023-24	Amount Received in 2024-25
1	Priti Santosh Gavit	GNM- 1st Year	40,000	40,000
2	kirti pandit Bhoir	GNM 1st year	60,000	80,000
3	Jyotika Antaram Doke	GNM- 1st Year	40,000	40,000
4	Chaitanya Nivas jadhav	GNM- 1st year	50,000	75,000
5	Jyoti Prakash Patil	ANM 2nd year	30,000	-
6	Harshala Moreshwar jadhav	GNM 1st year	50,000	75,000
7	Darshana Anu Andher	GNM 2nd year	40,000	40,000
8	Janhavi Sunil Ghatal	ANM 1st year	40,000	40,000
9	Karina Tulshiram Ravate	GNM 1st year	20,000	40,000
10	Gurunath Kamlakar Ghegad	DMLT 2nd year	-	30,000
Subtotal received from RCMDM			3,70,000	4,60,000
Amount carried forward			Nil	Nil

**Note:**  
 For the Academic Year 2023–24, the total fees for 9 students amounted to Rs. 3,70,000. One student Ms. Jyoti Nil, successfully completed her course during this period.  
 Accordingly, 8 students were carried forward to the next academic year. Additionally, one new student from the DMLT course, Mr. Gurunath Ghegad, was added to the list.  
 Thus, for the Academic Year 2024–25, the total number of students supported was 9, and the total fees received for them amounted to Rs. 4,60,000.

**For second lot of 21 rural boys and girls:**

FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-25 ==> PAID Rs.5,50,000/-

PRAGATI PRATISHTHAN STUDENT LIST SCHOLARSHIP PAID BY ROTARY CLUB OF MARINE DRIVE MUMBAI ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-25				
SR	NAME OF THE STUDENT	EDUCATION	YEAR	FEES PAID IN 2024-25
Amount brought forward from Academic year 2023-24				Nil
1	Bhakti Ganesh Dingore	ANM	1st year	40,000
2	Niyati Prakash Patil	Bsc Nursing	1st year	50,000
3	Sunita Ramu Ravate	GNM	1st year	20,000
4	Jagruti Sunil Ravate	ANM	1st year	20,000
5	Raman Ramu Ravate	GNM	1st year	20,000
6	Dipali Parshuram Raut	GNM	1st year	40,000
7	Ashwini Govind Maule	GNM	1st year	40,000
8	Akshita Ashok Patil	GNM	2nd year	40,000
9	Manisha Krushna korda	GNM	2nd year	40,000
10	Sadhna Dhakal Dighe	GNM	2nd year	40,000
11	Siddhi Premdas Shelke	GNM	1st year	40,000
12	Swapnali Gajanan Gaikar	GNM	1st year	40,000
13	Devidas Sunil Bhambre	GNM	1st year	40,000
14	Sushila Rama Paqi	GNM	1st year	40,000
15	Yadnesha Vishnu Patil	GNM	1st year	20,000
16	Madhuri Pandit Ghare	DMLT	1st year	20,000
17	Pallavi Parshuram Doke	DMLT	1st year	20,000
18	Tushar Damodar Malgavi	DMLT	1st year	20,000
19	Umesh Shinvar vatha	DMLT	1st year	20,000
20	Bhavesh Laxman Khirari	DMLT	1st eyar	20,000
21	Omkar Eknath Kadu	DMLT	2nd year	20,000
Total Fees Paid by Pragati Pratishtan				6,50,000
Total fees received from RCMDM in Academic year 2024-25				5,50,000
Amount Carried forward to Academic year 2025-26(Paid in advance by Paragati Partishthan)				1,00,000

**Note:**  
 The total fees for 21 students for the Academic Year 2024–25 amounted to Rs. 6,50,000. Against this, Rs. 5,50,000 was received from the Rotary Club of Marine Drive, Mumbai .  
 The balance Rs. 1,00,000 was paid by Pragati Pratishtan to ensure continuity of the students' education and is therefore receivable from RCMDM.

A sum of Rs.1,88,720/- was paid for purchase of brand new immaculate and latest sewing machines and ancillaries for setting up the Tailoring Skill Centre, which trains about 40 rural ladies, of all ages, every six months to become skilled tailors and then work for their livelihood=====>PAID Rs.1,88,720/-

For second lot of 16 out of 21 rural boys and girls (Remaining 5 students received government grants):

FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-26 =====> PAID Rs.5,10,000/-

PRAGATI PRATISHTHAN STUDENT LIST FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORTED BY ROTARY CLUB OF MARINE DRIVE MUMBAI ACADEMIC YEAR - 2025-26				
Sr. No.	Name of the Student	Course	Current year	Fees (For FY- 2025-26)
	Amount brought forward from Academic year 2024-25			1,00,000
1	Kirti Pandit Bhoir	GNM	3rd year	50,000
2	Chaitanya Niwas Jadhav	GNM	3rd year	50,000
3	Harshala Moreshwar Jadhav	GNM	3rd year	50,000
4	Niyati Prakash Patil	Bsc Nursing	2nd year	50,000
5	Bhakti Ganesh Dingore	ANM	2nd year	40,000
6	Sunita Ramu Ravate	GNM	2nd year	25,000
7	Jagruti Sunil Ravate	ANM	2nd year	25,000
8	Raman Ramu Ravate	GNM	2nd year	25,000
9	Dipali Parshuram Raut	GNM	2nd year	25,000
10	Madhuri Pandit Ghare	DMLT	2nd year	20,000
11	Pallavi Parshuram Doke	DMLT	2nd year	20,000
12	Tushar Damodar Malgavi	DMLT	2nd year	20,000
13	Umesh Shinvar vatha	DMLT	2nd year	20,000
14	Bhavesht Laxman Khirari	DMLT	2nd year	20,000
15	Siddhi Premdas Shelke	GNM	2nd year	35,000
16	Yadnesha Vishnu Patil	GNM	2nd year	35,000
	Subtotal Total (Including balance amt. from previous year)			6,10,000
	Total Received from RCMDM			5,10,000
	Amount carried forward to Academic year 2026-27 (Receivable from Academic year 2024-25)			1,00,000

We acknowledge receipt of the cheque deposited in the CTS enabled kiosk. Beneficiary account shall be credited subject to realisation of the cheque. This instrument will be presented in next scheduled clearing cycle.

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Note:  
For the Academic Year 2025-26, the total number of students supported was 16. The total fees for these students amounted to Rs. 5,10,000, which was received in June 2025.

An additional receivable amount from previous year of Rs. 1,00,000 is still pending to be received.

For second lot of 6 out of 21 rural boys and girls (Remaining students completed the 2 year course):

FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27 =====NOW PAID (in December 2025)=====> Rs.2,95,000/-

PRAGATI PRATISHTHAN STUDENT LIST FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORTED BY ROTARY CLUB OF MARINE DRIVE MUMBAI ACADEMIC YEAR - 2026-27				
Sr. No.	Name of the Student	Course	Current year	Fees (For FY- 2026-27)
	Amount brought forward from Academic year 2025-26			1,00,000
1	Niyati Prakash Patil	Bsc Nursing	3rd year	50,000
2	Sunita Ramu Ravate	GNM	3rd year	25,000
3	Raman Ramu Ravate	GNM	3rd year	25,000
4	Dipali Parshuram Raut	GNM	3rd year	25,000
5	Siddhi Premdas Shelke	GNM	3rd year	35,000
6	Yadnesha Vishnu Patil	GNM	3rd year	35,000
	Subtotal Total Fees			1,95,000
	Total Receivable from RCMDM for Academic year 2026-27			2,95,000

Note:  
Out of the 16 students listed for the Academic Year 2025-26, 10 students are in the final year of their respective courses. Therefore, the list for the Academic Year 2026-27 includes only 6 students.

The total scholarship amount required for the Academic Year 2026-27 is Rs. 1,95,000 In addition, an amount of Rs. 1,00,000 from the Academic Year 2024-25 is still receivable.

Accordingly, the total receivable amount for the Academic Year 2026-27 is Rs. 2,95,000

**BIG SALUTES AND HUGE GRATITUDE TO MAGNANIMOUS AND PHILANTHROPIC DONORS FOR THIS PROJECT:**

**Mr. & Mrs. Anand Gupta, Dr. Vijay Lulla, Rtn. Punit Vakil, Mrs. Shibani Subramanya, family of late Ms. Usha Shroff and Standard Industries Ltd (Mafatlal Group).**

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Late Jaisinhbhai Thakkar, brother-in-law of Rtn. Leena Jesrani, went to heavenly abode on 01/12/2025

Late Jyoti Thakkar, dear elder sister of Rtn. Leena Jesrani, went to heavenly abode on 28/12/2025

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