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



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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: 2025-26/05 (1<sup>st</sup> Jan' 2026 to 28<sup>th</sup> Feb'2026)**

**President's message:** As RCMDM begins the 9<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> March 2026, in last 8 months, we: held 16 Regular Club Meetings, 2 each month (Installation event was held in previous Rotary Year on 21/06/25), held 8 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 and completed 16 Community Service Projects. More details & pictures on action feature in inner pages. We lost 3 members on 30/06/2025 BUT added 3 new members on 30/06/2025, thus retained our 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 & January to February 2026 on rotaryindia.org. We paid our Statutory H1 & H2 dues to RISAO, Magazine dues to RNT, Annual dues to RID-3141 and uploaded our club's ITR for FY 2024-25 in time and also received the Nil Dues Assessment Order.

~Ramesh JS Chandra.

**GREETINGS & CELEBRATIONS**

**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

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

**FEBRUARY 2026:** RTN. DILIP GURJAR=B/D=5TH - PARTNER RUPAL TUSHAR GUNDERIA=B/D=7TH  
PARTNER DHIRAJ DAMYANTI CHEDDA=B/D=13TH - RTN. MAHESH+SUMITRA HIRLEKAR=W/A=14TH  
RTN. ARVIND KATAKDHOND=B/D=18TH - PARTNER DEEPALI NAYAN RAWAL=B/D=20TH  
RTN. DAMYANTI+DHIRAJ CHEDDA=W/A=23RD - RTN. RAMESH JS CHANDRA=B/D=25TH - RTN. SHREYA WAINGANKAR=B/D=27TH

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

**MARCH 2026:** RTN. RAMESH+CHANDRAKALA CHANDRA=W/A=11<sup>TH</sup> - RTN. TUSHAR+RUPAL GUNDERIA=W/A=11TH

**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 28/02/2026. 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.

**(UP TO 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.

**(UP TO HERE WAS COVERED IN THE AUGUST MONTH BULLETIN 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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**Cont'd: Brief synopsis of action taken in/for INSPIRE Rotary Year from 01/07/2025 to 28/02/2026. Details are published in pages to follow:**

**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 Prabodhan Kurla School, led by Director Rtn. Archana Thite, including **Interact Club Installation function cum Diwali gifting cum Regular Club Meeting**, 10am onwards, at Prabodhan Kurla School, Kurla Mumbai. Total cost of both projects-Rs.46000/- . On same day we Inaugurated Furniture donation to Prabodhan Kurla School, duly repaired & installed, under fab donation from Rtns. Kaajal & Suresh Thadani worth about Rs.500000/-.

**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 SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER MONTHS BULLETIN 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:** 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;

(ALL OF THE ABOVE WAS COVERED IN THE NOVEMBER/DECEMBER MONTHS BULLETIN OF RCMDM)

**03.01.2026:** **RCMDM's 12<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project:** CSR Funds Donation of about Rs.8,40,000/- for school building interiors & exteriors renovations and for installing CC TV Camera system AND verification of the installation done of Furniture donated worth Rs.5,00,000/- at Prabodhan Kurla Interact Club School, Kurla, Mumbai, 11am to 12.30pm. **(Total Project Value=Rs.1,340,000/-)**

**11.01.2026:** **RCMDM's 13<sup>th</sup> Community Service project: 7.30am onwards: ANNUAL DEFENCE VETERANS PARADE @Marine Drive** with other Rotary clubs joining in as co-hosts and DG Dr. Manish Motwani being Guest of Honour.

**18.01.2026:** **RCMDM 13<sup>th</sup> Regular meet:** Fellowship meet cum regular meet: Day Trip PICNIC To KHOPOLI, being hosted by Rtns. Dr. Sanjay and Surekha Godbole at their Farm House at Khopoli. Attendees=20;

**31.01.2026:** **RCMDM 7<sup>th</sup> BOD meet cum 14<sup>th</sup> Regular meet:** Jointly with RC Addiction Prevention @Soona Mahal, Marine Drive, with Guest Speaker eminent Pediatric Surgeon Dr. Laxmikant Kasat, 5pm onwards. Attendees=40.;

**07/08.02.2026:** **DISCON 2026 DRISHTIKON:** Sahara Star Hotel: Attended on both days by 8 RCMDMites;

**15.02.2026:** **RCMDM's 15<sup>th</sup> Regular meet cum 14<sup>th</sup> Community Service project:** Visit to Ramakrishna Mission, Sakwar on 15/02/2026, 12 noon: Medicines donated worth INR 1,15,110/- at the Ramakrishna Mission Hospital AND worth Rs.2,34,652/- AT Prasad Chikitsa, initiated by our member Rtn. Raj Kamal Prasad Verma AND CSR funding of Rs.3,60,000/- organised by RCMDM finalised for medical/school requirements at Ramakrishna Mission School/Hospital, Sakwar: **(Total Project Value=Rs.7,09,762/-)**

**28.02.2026:** **RCMDM's 8<sup>th</sup> BOD cum 16<sup>th</sup> Regular Meet:** 4pm to 7pm: @ residence of Rtn. Savitri Jhaveri at Bhimrao Wadi, Thakurdwar, Mumbai 400 002 including High Tea and Snacks. Attendees=15.

**Jan/Feb/2026:** **RCMDM's 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Community Service projects:** Via CSR funding, we donated Rs.50000/- to Dr. Datta Samant Madhyamik Shala in Karjat for school building painting & donated Rs.100000/- for pediatric surgeries of 4 kids via RCB Hills South.

(ALL OF THE ABOVE IS COVERED IN THIS BULLETIN FOR JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2026 OF RCMDM)

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

1. PLEASE BLOCK THE DATES for forthcoming RCMDM meetings/events/projects: Pre-OCV on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026 @ Soona Mahal, 9.30am to 2pm; OCV on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026 @Lodha World Towers, 10am to 2pm; Regular meeting in May on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May @ Soona Mahal; Installation event for RY 2026-27 on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June @IMC, Churchgate, 10am onwards; Inspire RY 2025-26 Shukriya event will be on last Sunday of June 2026 OR on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of July 2026.
2. RI Dues for H1 & H2, RID-3141 District Dues & Rotary News Magazine Dues for RY 2025-26 → Duly paid in time; Club's ITR for FY 2024-25 → Filed in time & Assessment order received with Nil Dues & Club's all CMR's uploaded up to date;

**March is HOLY month of EID-AL-FITR, RANG-PANCHMI, HOLI, RAM-NAVMI, MAHAVIR JAYANTI, UGADI & GUDI PADVA and we wish pious praying and celebrations to all of us and to our families. ~Ramesh JS Chandra. ....4.**

**03/01/2026: RCMDM's 12<sup>th</sup> Community Service Project:** CSR Funds Donation of Rs.8,40,000/- for school building interiors & exteriors renovations and for installing CC TV Camera system was committed to the school with initial funds of Rs.2.10Lakhs being released shortly to start installation of CCTV camera system. Also, verification was done of the installation of Furniture donated in September/October 2025 worth Rs.500000/-, at Prabodhan Kurla School, wherein RCMDM has an Interact Club, located at Kurla, Mumbai, 11am to 12.30pm, with the **Total Project Value now being Rs.13,40,000/-**. Invited guests were the magnanimous donors: Mr. Anil Jagasia-CMD Savex Technologies and Rtns. Kaajal and Suresh Thadani. School Trustees Sh. Bhausaheb and Shmt. Shalaka Korgaonkar and School Principal, Teachers, students welcomed everyone and conjoined the project with celebration of special day on 03/01/2026 being the Jayanti diwas of respected Savitribai Phule and Rajmata Masaheb Jijau. From RCMDM, ELEVEN attended the project event.



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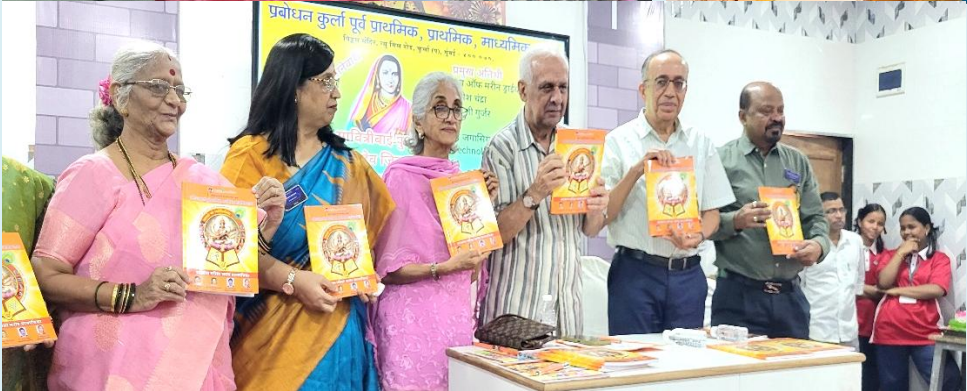
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**श्री अनिल जगासिया, CMD, Savex Technologies.**

**श्री सुरेश आणि श्रीम. काजल थडाणी (सामाजिक कार्यकर्ते)**

**डॉ. भाऊ कोरगांवकर** अध्यक्ष  
**सौ. शलाका कोरगांवकर** विश्वस्त  
**श्री संतोष चिकणे,** मुख्याध्यापक माध्य.  
**सौ. विशाखा परब** मुख्याध्यापिका प्राथ.



**11/01/2026:** RCMDM's 13<sup>th</sup> Community Service project: 7.30am onwards: ANNUAL DEFENCE VETERANS PARADE @Marine Drive with other Rotary clubs joining in as co-hosts and DG Dr. Manish Motwani being Guest of Honour. This is an annual event co-ordinated by our President Ramesh JS Chandra, himself being a Defence Veteran. He was seen meeting up with all the senior most current Defence Officers participating in the Parade.



A banner was carried by NSS/NCC cadets having names of all host Rotary Clubs Participating in the PARADE of the event: Joint hosts were RCO Marine Drive Mumbai, RCO Bombay Pier and Co-hosts were RCO Bombay, RCO Mumbai Malabar Hill, RCO Deonar and RCO Mumbai Downtown Sealand. Few other clubs attended, too. More than 30 Rotarians and Partners attended.



Our AG Dr. Nilam Gada attended the Parade. DG Dr. Manish Motwani joined in at the NCPA program culminating after Parade.



**18.01.2026: RCMDM 13<sup>TH</sup> Regular meet CUM Fellowship meet:** Day Trip PICNIC To KHOPOLI, being hosted by Rtns. Dr. Sanjay and Surekha Godbole at their Farm House at Khopoli. Attendees=20; Fabulous breakfast, sumptuous lunch and high tea were served by the Godbole family. Visits were also done to nearby school and training centres, with which Godbole family is associated, as well as to the adjacent temple and river front. Regular meeting was chaired by VP Dr. Sanjay Godbole with detailed discussions on club projects, events, fund raisings and more. PP Bharti made all attendees to participate and enjoy in superbly crafted word play game. IPP Arvind enthralled all present by his singing. VP Dr. Sanjay and Surekha sang beautifully. Invited Pakhmode family of Dr. Vivek and Aparna and daughter Dr. Reshma also participated. Reshma sang songs at Gurukul and also at the Farm House. Damyanti sang a song. Mahesh & Sumitra danced on a song. Lots of fun, jokes, leg pulling and laughter. ALL IN ALL, A FABULOUS FELLOWSHIP PICNIC. BIG HUGE THANKS TO GODBOLE FAMILY. **ARRIVAL, WELCOME & SUMPTUOUS BREAKFAST SERVED BY GODBOLE FAMILY STAFF.**



**AFTER BREAKFAST, 13<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR MEETING CHAIRED BY VP DR. SANJAY GODBOLE**



**Big THANKS to the staff of Godbole family and the local people for support in parking, visits, serving food and more .....7.**

**18.01.2026:** RCMDM 13<sup>TH</sup> Regular meet cum Fellowship meet: Cont'd from pg. 06: AFTER BREAKFAST, VISIT TO NEARBY GURUKUL WHERE GODBOLE FAMILY HAS PROVIDED FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND WHERE ALL OF US HAD FABULOUS INTERACTION WITH CURRENT STUDENTS & THOSE STUDENTS WHO HAD PASSED OUT FROM SCHOOL. THEN DARSHAN IN NEARBY TEMPLE. LATER, LUNCH AT TERRACE OF GODBOLE FARM HOUSE FOLLOWED BY SINGING, GAMES, MASTI, FUN & LAUGHTER.



All in all, a fabulous, enjoyable, fun-filled, entertaining Fellowship Picnic plus regular meet @KHOPOLI .....8.

**31.01.2026:** **RCMDM 7<sup>TH</sup> BOD meet cum 14<sup>TH</sup> Regular meet:** Jointly with Rotary Club of Addiction Prevention @Soona Mahal, Marine Drive, with Guest Speaker eminent Pediatric Surgeon Dr. Laxmikant Kasat, 5pm onwards. Attendees=40. BOD meeting started at 5.15pm chaired by IPP Arvind Katakdhond due to delay in arrival of Pres. Ramesh being stuck in heavy traffic. All items on agenda circulated by notice earlier were deliberated, discussed and approved unanimously.



Upon completing BOD meeting, President Ramesh took the Chair & called regular meeting to order, led the national anthem and then requested PP Ramon to take over proceedings. PP Ramon welcomed Chief Guest Dr. Lucky Kasat, the President, Club Secretary & members of Rotary Club of Addiction Prevention (RCAP) being joint hosts for this meeting and the AG for our club Dr. Nilam Gada, who is also member of RCAP. Welcome was extended to invited guests, Dr. Vivek & Mrs. Aparna Pakhmode, Mr. & Mrs. Kiran Bhalerao, Mr. Uday & Mrs. Namita Neogi, Mr. Gagan Vij, Ms. Mani Choksey & family members of Pres. Ramesh Chandra & to all RCMDM members. After warm welcome to all, Rtn. Archana Thite was invited to formally introduce Guest Speaker, which she did very eloquently. Then, Dr. Lucky Kasat took over & regaled the 40 odd attendees with his fabulous, inciteful, humorous & interactive talk on “Business & Life lessons from Block-buster film SHOLAY” a novel Video PPT.



**31.01.2026:** RCMDM 7<sup>TH</sup> BOD meet cum 14<sup>TH</sup> Regular meet: Cont'd from page 08: A truly impressive talk with lot to learn. Very interactive, pertinent and very mesmerizing. Resulted in a standing ovation, upon conclusion of the Fab Talk. PP Bharti made the secretarial announcements and President Kruti Abhyankar of RCAP gave the Vote of Thanks. Gratitude gift was presented to Chief Guest and Speaker Dr. Lucky Kasat and thank you gifts were presented to President Kruti, to Dr. Supriya spouse of Dr. Lucky Kasat and endearment chocolates were presented to all attendees from RCAP: Club Secretary Vishal and partner Jayna, AG Dr. Nilam Gada, Trupti and partner Arun and Vijay. Pleasantly, President Kruti also presented a gift to RCMDM President Ramesh Chandra and spoke for a few minutes about her club, Rotary Club of Addiction Prevention..



After conclusion of meeting, Cake cutting was done for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in January and up to 10<sup>th</sup> February 2026, from both clubs. This was followed by snacks and spirited dinner interspersed with singing of songs and dancing, with ladies from RCAP capturing the floor with a fabulous dance on a lovely song sung by Pres. Kruti Abhyankar. A big huge thanks to RCAP President, Secretary and all members in attendance, to the Chief Guest Dr. Lucky & partner Dr. Supriya and to all invited guests for making the meeting truly ROCKING. Thanks to RCMDM staff Jaya, Anil & Ganesh for giving excellent service.



**07/08.02.2026: DISCON 2026 DRISHTIKON:** Sahara Star Hotel: Attended on both days by 8 RCMDMites: Two days of witnessing fabulous speakers, panel discussions, cultural/invocation dances/fashion show & more. Enjoyed bonhomie with hundreds of Rotarians from various clubs and enjoyed sumptuous breakfast/lunch/dinner on both days. A SUPERB EVENT. COMPLIMENTS TO DG DR. MANISH & DR. MAHEK MOTWANI, TO OUTSTANDING ANCHOR JHANKAR GADKARI, CONVENOR GANESH AND TO HOST CLUB RC MULUND HILL VIEW TEAM AND THE CLUB PRESIDENT KASHMIRA AND TO THE ENTIRE DISCON 2026 DRISHTIKON TEAM.



The eight Attendees from RCMDM were: President Ramesh JS Chandra, IPP Arvind and partner Archana Katakdhond, PP Mahesh and partner Sumitra Hirlekar, spouse PP Yogesh Jesrani, PP Dr. Ashok Sanghvi and PP Ramon R. Abrol.



Meeting up with members of RC Lokhandwala Kandivali ----- Met the Rotary Friendship Exchange team from Canada



Our club project, ADAPT Centre Renovation, being shown on stage screen & pictured Clicked with 3 respected PDGs of our District



**15.02.2026:** RCMDM's 15<sup>th</sup> Regular meet cum 14<sup>th</sup> Community Service project: Visit on 15/02/2026, 12 noon onwards: Medicines donated worth INR 1,15,110/- at Ramakrishna Mission Hospital, Sakwar 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 finalised for medical/school requirements at Ramakrishna Mission School/Hospital: (Total Project Value being=Rs.7,09,762/-). The centre has: (a) Medical centre for rural/urban surrounding area population with medicines provided free, organised by RCMDM's Rtn. R.K.P.Verma, regularly, from his contacts in Pharma companies; (b) Vocational training centre for about 100 resident youth; (c) Provides regular prayer facility during all Indian festivities; (d) Has a Gau-shalla with about 40 cows, nourished and fed; **A very fruitful and satisfying meeting cum club project. Pleasure for RCMDMites to be hosted by Ramakrishna Mission's Chiefs Swamis Tatwarupananda and Basant Maharaj.**



**28.02.2026:** **RCMDM's 8<sup>th</sup> BOD cum 16<sup>th</sup> Regular Meet:** 4pm to 7pm: @ residence of Rtn. Savitri Jhaveri at Bhimrao Wadi, Thakurdwar, Mumbai 400 002. Attendees=15. Due to sudden illness, Pres. Ramesh could not attend the meeting. IPP Arvind Chaired the BOD meeting and the Regular meeting. All items on agenda of BOD meeting were deliberated in detail and then approved and adopted unanimously. In the regular meeting a special item was unanimously approved, namely, appointment of Rtn. Nayan Rawal as PN for RY 2027-28 and the detailed in-put by him on the creation of our club's section-8 company named **RCMDM SOCIAL FOUNDATION**. Huge compliments and congrats to Rtn. Nayan Rawal for accepting to be President for two consecutive years, being PE for RY 2026-27 and PN for RY 2027-28. The meetings ended with cake cutting for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries followed by lavish High Tea & snacks arranged by Rtns. Savitri, Bharti, Sumitra, Damyanti, Archana & Rashmi. Both meetings conducted & concluded very well.



**THE AWESOME WOMAN POWER OF ROTARY CLUB OF MARINE DRIVE MUMBAI**



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**February 2026**  
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: ROTARIANS/SPOUSES**  
 DILIP GURJAR (B/D=05/02)  
 PARTNER RUPAL TUSHAR GUNDERIA (07/02)  
 PARTNER DHIRAJ D. CHHEDA (B/D=13/02)  
 ARVIND KATAKDHOND (B/D=18/02)  
 PARTNER DEEPALI NAYAN RAWAL (B/D=20/02)  
 RAMESH JS CHANDRA (B/D=25/02);  
 SHREYA WAINGANKAR (B/D=27/02)

**HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TO:**  
 MAHESH+SUMITRA HIRLEKAR (W/A=14/02)  
 DAMYANTI+DHEERAJ CHHEDA (W/A=23/02)

Lots of love  
 From:  
**ROTARY family & friends**



RCMDM teed off the 15th & 16th Community Service Projects in January & February '26, wherein, under CSR Funding, Rs. 50,000/- was donated to Dr. Datta Samant Madhyamik Shala, Karjat, for their school building painting, AND donated Rs. 1,00,000/- for pediatric surgeries of 4 youths aged 5 to 14 for surgeries being done at Rotary Pali Hospital via RCB Hills South. Details to be shared in next bulletin.