



# ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY COSMOPOLIS

DISTRICT 3141

CLUB ID 226353

**Rtn. STEPHANIE A. URCHICK**  
RI President

**Rtn. CHETAN DESAI**  
District 3141 Governor

**Rtn. PIA BHAGI**  
Club President

**Rtn. VIJAY PURI**  
Hon. Club Secretary



## R.I. President Message



Dear fellow Rotary leaders:

As we begin a new year of service, let us not forget the importance of every one of Rotary's members.

We need your leadership now more than ever if we are to make every club and district an irresistible experience. Rotary has a chance to capture the world's attention and realize possibilities beyond our expectations. But we must build on the work that has come before us if we are to reach our goals, such as defeating polio and unlocking the power of girls and women.

Rotary offers people of action a chance to connect and find belonging, and this fellowship gives us the potential to improve our communities and the world. By following Rotary's Action Plan and helping make sure all members feel a sense of belonging in their club, you have a special opportunity to inspire members to new heights of service.

Our ability to create lasting change begins with our family of Rotary. Together, it is within our power to bring healing in a divided world.3

Join me in making Rotary a source of strength for those who need it most, within and beyond our membership. Let this be the year we harness The Magic of Rotary, and let Rotary be known as an organization that takes care of its members as well as the people we serve.

It is within your power to help make Rotary a beacon of goodwill and fellowship in every community.

Remember that your work can and will change the world with The Magic of Rotary.

Warm regards,

Stephanie A Urchick

RI President 2024-25

## D.G. Message



Dear Vibrant Rotary family of RID-3141,

As we embark on a new Rotary year, I am filled with an overwhelming sense of pride and excitement for what lies ahead. Our journey together is fuelled by the unwavering commitment to Rotary's vision of creating positive, lasting change in our communities and around the world.

The theme for this year, "The Magic of Rotary," encapsulates the essence of what we do. It's the magic of service, the magic of fellowship, and the magic of making a difference. Each of us holds the power to create magic in our communities through our actions, our dedication, and our passion for service above self.

Together, as Team VIBRANT, we will amplify the magic of Rotary in our district. We will Vibrantly Inspire, Build Relationships, Reach Out, Act with Integrity, Nurture Diversity, and Transform Lives. Our collective efforts will radiate positivity and empower us to achieve remarkable results.

Let us embrace this opportunity to ignite the spark of change, to cultivate meaningful connections, and to leave a lasting impact on the world around us. Together, we are stronger, and together, we can create a world where the magic of Rotary shines brightly for all to see.

I am honoured to serve as this premier district's District Governor for the 2024-25 Rotary year, and I am confident that together, we will make magic happen.

A special acknowledgment to DS Rtn. Ashish Tapiawala for painstakingly compiling invaluable resources for this directory. Your dedication and hard work are truly appreciated and will undoubtedly benefit our Vibrant family as we navigate the year ahead.

Yours in Rotary,

Rtn. Chetan Desai

District Governor 2024-25

Dear Friends,

Heartiest congratulations to each and everyone on the formation of the new vibrant Club – Rotary Club of Bombay Cosmopolis. The idea sown a couple of months back saw fruit in the month of September 2024 with an impressive list of 28 vibrant and enthusiastic charter members.

Being a new club the challenges are many fold but I am confident that we will rise above them and at the end of the Rotary year be a force to contend with amidst the smaller clubs.

We have joined Rotary primarily to give back to society but fellowship events and speaker meetings are also an integral part of our culture. As the strength of a club lies not in the President and Board of Directors but with the involvement and interaction of each and every RCBC member and spouse (goes without saying) I envisage a year filled with good works, fellowship bonding and loads of opportunity to serve those less fortunate.

As wisely said "We make a living by what we earn but we make a life by what we give"

So lets start the vibrant year on a vibrant note with our charter Presentation and Team Installation today at Sunset Lounge, Trident Hotel.

Pia Bhagi

President 2024 - 25

Dear Vibrant Friends,

Congratulations on the formation of your new club, RC Bombay Cosmopolis ! This is the first club formed in the Vibrant year. As Membership Head of our District, I am excited to welcome all of you to our vibrant and global Rotary family. Together, we have the unique opportunity to serve, build strong connections, and create lasting impact in our communities. Your passion and commitment are the driving forces behind this new club, and I am confident that through teamwork and dedication, you will achieve great heights. Please feel free to reach out anytime—let's work together to grow and strengthen Rotary.

Yours in service,

Rtn. Sandip Kedia

DC, Membership, RID 3141



## VIBRANT TEAM (2024 - 2025)



**Pradip Lulla**  
President Elect



**Pia Bhagi**  
President



**Dharmendra Gursahani**  
Vice President



**Vijay Puri**  
Hon. Secretary



**Charuhas Khandke**  
Sergeant-At- Arms



**Rajesh Doshi**  
Hon. Treasurer

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS



**Dharmendra Gursahani**  
Club Service



**Adarsh Bagaria**  
Membership



**Malini Mansukhani**  
Projects



**Dr. Mahesh Lalwani**  
Hon. Secretary



**J. P. Agarwal**  
Rotary Foundation



**Naysar Parikh**  
Youth

### COMMITTEE

Attendance	Chairman Members	Charuhas Khandke Vijay Puri Farooq Valiulla	Sports	Chairman Members	Zakkir Kallarikal Anita Parikh Kamal Khanna
Bulletin	Chairman Members	Jaishri Sivaraman Anita Parikh Namrata Lulla Mahesh Lalwani	Vocational Awards	Chairman Members	Pradip Lulla Adarsh Bagaria Jacky Lalimalani
Club Arrangements	Chairman Members	Sarika Bagaria Shreela Lalwani Beena Bagadia	Membership	Director Chairman Members	Adarsh Bagaria Dharmendra Gursahani Mahesh Lalwani Ketan Chokshi Rubin Chheda
Constitution & Byelaws	Chairman Members	Kailash Somani Ketan Chokshi Rajesh Doshi Vandana Chouhan	Projects	Director Chairman Members	Malini Mansukhani Nishreen Khorakiwalla Jaishri Sivaraman Anita Parikh Seema Agarwal
Fellowship	Chairman Members	Sapna Gursahani Seema Agarwal Krishna Agarwal	Public Image	Director Chairman Members	Mahesh Lalwani Beena Bagadia Malini Mansukhani Vijay Puri
Fund Raiser	Chairman Members	Adarsh Bagaria Gul Hinduja Rubin Chheda Nishreen Khorakiwalla Yogen Lal	TRF	Director Chairman Members	JP Agarwal Rubin Chheda Gul Hinduja Falguni Chokshi
Program	Chairman Members	Pradip Lulla Charuhas Khandke Dr. Jaikishan Lalimalani	Youth	Director Chairman Members	Naysar Parikh Vijay Puri Pushkar Chaudhari CharuhasKhandke



## Founder of Rotary - Paul P. Harris



### The First Four Rotarians

**From left: Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram E. Shorey, Paul P. Harris.**

Paul P. Harris (1868-1947), a lawyer, was the founder of Rotary, the world's first and foremost international service organisation. Rotary is an organisation of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, promote high ethical standards, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

Born in Racine, Wisconsin, U.S.A. on April 19, 1868, Paul was the second of six children to George and Cornelia Harris. At age 3, he moved to Wallingford, Vermont, where he grew up in the care of his paternal grandparents. He attended the University of Vermont and Princeton University and received his law degree from the University of Iowa in 1891.

In 1896, Harris settled in Chicago and opened a law practice. Four years later, he met fellow attorney Bob Frank for dinner on Chicago's North Side. They walked around the area, stopping at shops along the way. Harris was impressed that Frank was friendly with many of the shopkeepers. He had not seen this kind of camaraderie among businessmen since moving to Chicago and wondered if there was a way to channel it, because it reminded him of growing up in Wallingford.

"The thought persisted that I was experiencing only what had happened to hundreds, perhaps thousands, of others in the great city.... I was sure that there must be many other young men who had

come from farms and small villages to establish themselves in Chicago.... Why not bring them together? If others were longing for fellowship as I was, something would come of it."

Harris eventually persuaded several business associates to discuss the idea of forming an organization for local professionals. On 23 February 1905, Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram Shorey gathered at Loehr's office in downtown Chicago for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting.

In February 1907, Harris was elected the third president of the Rotary Club of Chicago. Toward the end of his presidency, he worked to expand Rotary beyond the city. Some club members resisted, not wanting to take on the additional financial burden. But Harris persisted, and by 1910, Rotary had expanded to several other major U.S. cities.

Harris recognized the need to form a national association with an executive board of directors. In August 1910, Rotarians held their first national convention in Chicago, where the 16 existing clubs unified as the National Association of Rotary Clubs (now Rotary International). The new association unanimously elected Harris as its president.

In the mid-1920s, Harris became actively involved in Rotary again, serving as the public face of the organization.

To promote membership and service, he attended conventions and visited clubs throughout the world, often accompanied by his wife, Jean. Harris and Jean had no children.

Harris died on 27 January 1947 in Chicago at age 78, after a prolonged illness. Before his death, he made it known that he preferred contributions to The Rotary Foundation in lieu of flowers. By coincidence, days before he died, Rotary leaders had committed to a major fundraising effort for the Foundation.

Upon news of his death, Rotary created the Paul Harris Memorial Fund as a way to solicit these donations. Rotarians were encouraged to commemorate the late founder of Rotary by contributing to the fund, which would be used for purposes dear to Harris' heart. In the 18 months following his death, The Rotary Foundation received \$1.3 million, which helped support the Foundation's first program scholarships for graduate study abroad.

### THE 4 WAY TEST

1. Is it the **TRUTH** ?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned ?
3. Will it build  
**GOODWILL & BETTER  
FRIENDSHIP** ?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to  
all concerned ?



## EDITORS MESSAGE

*We have a dream.....to foster fellowship with one and all, to touch as many lives as possible through our community service projects. It is said, "IF YOU CAN DREAM IT YOU CAN ACHIEVE IT" Today we have taken a small step towards this dream. Soon, very soon, we will take giant strides.*

**Jaishri Sivaraman**

## KNOW YOUR MEMBER



Dharmendra K. Gursahani and Sapna Gursahani have been married for 25 years and are proud parents of twin boys, Aditya and Krishna, who are both 20 years old. Dharmendra is actively engaged in the real estate advisory business, specializing in society redevelopment and second home development. In his free time, he enjoys playing sports such as tennis, pickleball, and paddleball. He is also an avid reader, movie enthusiast, and passionate about staying active. Sapna, who previously worked at President Hotel and Lufthansa Airlines before marriage, is now a dedicated homemaker. Her passion lies in traveling, exploring different countries each year, and experiencing diverse cuisines. She enjoys socializing with family and friends and plays an active role in her community as the Honorary Secretary of the Cultural Committee at Sumer Trinity Towers, Prabhadevi. Aditya and Krishna are both pursuing their studies at Atlas College, BKC. Aditya is majoring in Strategic Design Management, while Krishna is pursuing a BBA. Both share a deep passion for sports, particularly cricket, tennis, and football. Looking ahead, Aditya aspires to build a career in the sports or film industry, while Krishna is keen on pursuing a future in sports management.

## FUN WITH PUNS..... by Alisha Tibrewala

- ☺ Why did the frog's wife ask him for a divorce?  
He never really TOAD the line.
- ☺ What do you call an angry pastry?  
A CROSS ANT.
- ☺ If Dracula got a makeover would it be called a revamp?
- ☺ What do you call a spider that sings?  
TARANTU LALA
- ☺ Why was the judge forced to dismiss the court case against the ceo of a construction company?  
There was no concrete evidence of his crimes.

## GREETINGS

<i>July</i>	<i>B/D</i>	<i>Anniv.</i>
Gul/ Kanta Hinduja	-	1st
Malini Mansukhani	2nd	-
Kailash Chandra Somani	3rd	-
Ketan Chokshi	11th	-
Dr. Mahesh Lalwani	11th	-
Ritu Chaudhari (Spouse)	11th	-
Ketan/ Falguni Chokshi	-	12th
Jaishri Sivaraman	13th	-
Naysar Parikh	19th	-
Beena Bagadia	30th	-
Nirupama Khandke (Spouse)	30th	-
<i>August</i>	<i>B/D</i>	<i>Anniv.</i>
Renita Kalarrikal	9th	-
Vijay Puri	17th	-
Krishna Agarwal	20th	-
Charuhas/Nirupama Khandke	-	28th
Dharmendra Gursahani	28th	-
<i>September</i>	<i>B/D</i>	<i>Anniv.</i>
Pradip Lulla	3rd	-
Vandana Chouhan	4th	-
Neena Puri (Spouse)	15th	-
Yogen Lal	16th	-
Rubin Chheda	17th	-
Dinesh Agarwal (Spouse)	24th	-
Kamal Khanna	24th	-
Vijay/ Neena Puri	-	29th
<i>October</i>	<i>B/D</i>	<i>Anniv.</i>
Madhavi Chheda (Spouse)	3rd	-
Dr. Jacky Lalmalani	5th	-
Sangeeta Khanna (Spouse)	14th	-
Dr. (Mrs.) Shreela Lalwani	28th	-
Juzar Khorakiwalla (Spouse)	30th	-