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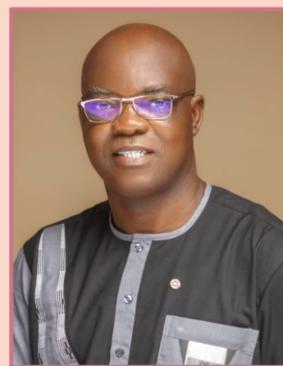


## 2026-27 TEAM INTRO EDITION

### RI PRESIDENT ELECT PROFILE

Olayinka Hakeem Babalola, a member of the Rotary Club of Trans Amadi, Nigeria, has been selected by the Board of Directors to become Rotary International's president for 2026-27. His term will begin on 1 July 2026.

Babalola began his Rotary journey in 1984 as a Rotaractor. He joined the Rotary Club of Trans Amadi 10 years later. His leadership roles include serving as district governor (2011-12), RI vice president (2019-20), and member of the RI Board (2018-20). He was also an active leader and participant in RI committees



**Rtn. Olayinka Hakeem Babalola**  
Rotary International  
President 2026-27

such as the End Polio Now Countdown to History Campaign Committee (2017-23) and the Nigeria National PolioPlus Committee (2013-present, adviser 2016-present).

Babalola and his wife, Preba, live in the city of Port Harcourt. He supports The Rotary Foundation with a named endowment and as an Arch Klumph Society member. A trustee of ShelterBox UK, he is a recipient of the Africa Centennial Heroes Award, the Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World, the RI Service Above Self Award, and The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service.

### DG Elect Message

Warm Rotary greetings to the President-Elect Rtn. Sathyendra Kashyap and the entire incoming leadership team of the Rotary Club of Mysore Metro for the Rotary year 2026-27.



I extend my heartfelt congratulations to each member of the new team as you step into a year of service, leadership, and purposeful action. Rotary Club of Mysore Metro has consistently upheld the true spirit of Rotary through impactful projects, vibrant fellowship, and a strong commitment to community service. I am confident that this proud legacy will be further strengthened under your leadership.

As we prepare for a new Rotary year together, let us move forward as true Saathi—partners in service—guided by Rotary's core values of Service, Integrity, Diversity, Fellowship, and Leadership, and work collaboratively to create sustainable change in our communities. Leadership in Rotary is not merely about holding positions, but about inspiring others, nurturing teamwork, and making a meaningful difference in the lives we touch.

I appreciate the tradition of bringing out the special bulletin "Metro News", which reflects the dynamism, creativity, and unity of your club. I wish President-Elect Rtn. Sathyendra Kashyap and his team a fulfilling, successful, and memorable Rotary year.

Together, let us serve with passion, lead with purpose, and build a stronger Rotary.

With best wishes,

**Rtn. Sathish Bolar**  
District Governor 2026-27  
Rotary International District 3181

### President Elect Message

**Dear Fellow Rotarians,**

It is with great humility and excitement that I stand before you today to present my team for the coming Rotary year. I am truly grateful for the trust and confidence you have placed in me to serve our club.



Rotary is not about individual roles, but about collective responsibility. The team you see today is a blend of experience, enthusiasm, and commitment — each member ready to contribute their best in service above self. Together, we aim to strengthen fellowship, expand meaningful service projects, and uphold the core values of Rotary.

I firmly believe that when we work with unity of purpose and clarity of vision, our club can create lasting impact in our community and beyond. I look forward to learning, leading, and growing together with each one of you.

My first & foremost job is to bring all members to participate in all our club activities with their families which I am very hopeful in achieving this. More involvement brings more vibrancy in our club.

I seek your guidance, support, and active participation as we embark on this journey together. Let us move ahead with positivity, collaboration, and the Rotary spirit shining bright.

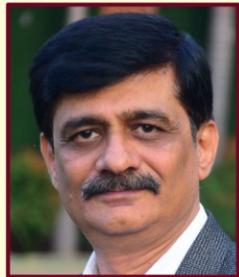
Thank you for being a part of this beautiful journey.

Warm regards,

**Rtn. Sathyendra Kashyap**  
President Elect - 2025- 26



## 2026 - 27 INCOMING BOARD MEMBERS



**Rtn. Satyendra Kashyap**  
President 2026-27  
Agarbatti Industrialist



**Rtn. Gopalkrishna M P**  
Immediate Past President 2026-27  
Business Owner



**Rtn. Gangesh B K**  
President Elect 2026-27  
Builder & Developer



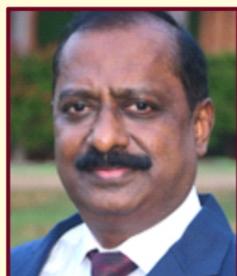
**Rtn. Mohan Gurumurthy**  
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Structural Engineer



**Rtn. Ravindra R Babu**  
Hon. Secretary 2026-27  
Pharmaceuticals



**Badri Narayanan Krishnan**  
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NGO Professional



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Club Service 2026-27  
Entrepreneur



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Director  
Vocational Service 2026-27  
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Structural Engineer



**Sanjaya Kumar V**  
Director  
Youth Service 2026-27  
Robotic Engineer



**Channakeshava C**  
Director  
International Service 2026-27  
Industrialist



**Srinivas M N**  
Sargent-At-Arms 2026-27  
Property Advisor



**Ganesh Vaitheeswaran**  
Editor 2026-27  
Software Architect



**MyBuild Exhibition,**  
Our Metro Rotarians in action at the MyBuild 2025 Expo where Rtn **Mohan Guru Murthy (CGM Industries)**, Rtn **Rajesh (Greaves Generators)**, and Rtn. **Sandeep Jadhav (Sandeep Home Theatre)** showcased their products.



## Metro Events

### Milk Bank donor list,

Rotary Mysore Metro sincerely thanks the donors who wholeheartedly supported the Human Milk Bank Project

1.	DG Rtn Ramkrishna:	Rs 1.00 lakh.
2.	President Rtn Gopal Krishna:	Rs 5000/-
3.	Rtn Channa Keshava :	Rs 65000/-
4.	Rtn Alagappan :	Rs 50000/-
5.	Rtn Sundara Raja Rao :	Rs 50000/-
6.	Rtn Dr Suresh :	Rs 50000/-
7.	Rtn Dileep :	Rs 50000/-
8.	Rtn Jeevaraj :	Rs 50000/-
9.	Rtn Mohan Gurumurthy :	Rs 25000/-
10.	Rtn Gangesh :	Rs 25000/-
11.	Rtn Vivek Sangle :	Rs 25000/-
12.	Rtn RS Vishwanath:	Rs 10000/-
13.	Rtn MN Srinivas :	Rs 10000/-
14.	Rtn Dr Nitesh :	Rs 10000/-
15.	Rtn Umesh :	Rs 5000/-
16.	Rtn Dr Girish :	Rs 5000/-
17.	Rtn Ganesh.V :	Rs 5000/-
18.	Rtn Raju Baliga :	Rs 5000/-
19.	Rtn Dr Amaral :	Rs 5000/-
20.	Inner wheel Club Of Mysore Midtown:	Rs 25000/-

### Bharath's talk



Rtn. Bharath Kumar gave a talk on "Blueprint for Financial Freedom". The talk was very well received and appreciated for being informative and useful. Bharath hosted the fellowship and Dinner for the attendees.

### Extraordinary Minds, Ordinary Fathers

Metro is home to a variety of hobbies. Rtn. Badri Narayan Krishnan's play was performed at the "Mysore English Theatre Festival" on 12 Dec. Einstein "The Gold Standard of Intelligence" meets Gandhi "The Epitome of Compassion" in the afterlife? The play offers a reimagining of Albert Einstein and Mahatma Gandhi, stripping away their historical grandeur to reveal a shared, human failure: the struggle of parenthood.

The production featured a remarkable cast: retired IAS officer Mr. Monappa as Einstein, Mr. Janardhan (Vice Principal, Hari Vidyalaya) as Gandhi, national swimming champion Smt. Nima Manjrekar as Lieserl, and software engineer Pavan as Harilal Gandhi.

While Einstein decoded nature and Gandhi reshaped

### English Theatre Festival opens with play 'Two Fathers'

Veteran artiste Sreemathi Hariprasad recalls Mysuru's English theatre roots

Mysuru, Dec. 13 (PM&BCI)- Mysuru has a long-standing tradition of English theatre, said veteran theatre artiste Sreemathi Hariprasad. She was speaking after inaugurating the first edition of Mysuru English Theatre Festival (METF), organised by Mysuru English Theatre Forum at Jagannatha Centre for Art & Culture in Vijayanagar last evening.

The 3-day Fest, which runs till Dec. 14, was formally launched with the release of the Fest poster.

Recalling the city's rich theatre legacy, Sreemathi Hariprasad said, English theatre in Mysuru dates back to the 1940s. Although she had limited information about that early period, she was actively associated with the



Veteran theatre artiste Sreemathi Hariprasad, Kalpa Heritage Trust Director Dr. V.R. Anil Kumar and Mysuru English Theatre Forum Member Meenu releasing Festival poster of JCAC in city yesterday. Picture right shows Kalasuruchi team staging the play 'Two Fathers'.

Sampath, a noted film personality who collaborated with British group Shakespeare International Society to stage English plays

towns in the past, she said the advent of computers and Artificial Intelligence (AI) has made the language more accessible.

Despite challenges such as high production costs and limited performance venues, English theatre continues to thrive through

ent. A play titled 'Two Fathers', written by Sundar Sarukali and directed by Badri Narayan, was staged by Kalasuruchi.

society, both found the complexities of family life elusive. Through witty encounters—bringing together the "head" and the "heart"—the play suggests that greatness in the world does not exempt one from the delicate work of the home. It is a stirring reminder that even the most brilliant minds can be ordinary fathers.

# ROTARY INFORMATION

## Rotary International President Message December 2025

This month's special issue of Rotary magazine is all about happiness, that most elemental of human yearnings. More than a feeling, though, this state of positive well-being, and the conditions necessary to create and sustain it, should be considered a universal right.

December also marks Rotary's Disease Prevention and Treatment Month, when we highlight our members' work to promote health and wellness, including mental wellness. Globally, nearly 1 in 7 people have a mental health disorder, according to a recent World Health Organization report. Yet only 9 percent of people with depression receive adequate treatment.

We are fortunate in Rotary to have a powerful way to support emotional well-being and happiness: friendship. The connections we build in Rotary can be a powerful force for change. I know this from personal experience.

When my fellow members first proposed that I become club president, I demurred. I had a stutter. I was terrified of speaking. But having club members who supported me and surrounded me with affection enabled me to face my fear, and I found a way to stand confidently before a crowd.

Today, I regularly address audiences — some numbering in the



thousands — in a language that is not native to me. The Rotary members in my life helped me create lasting change within myself.

That fellowship gives us the courage and means to create lasting change in the world as well, and mental health services are in desperate need of improvement. The WHO reports that governments on average devote only 2 percent of their health budgets to mental health, and only 11 percent of that funding reaches community-based services. In some countries, only one trained mental health professional is available for every 100,000 people. The WHO has called for strategic and urgent action to close

the gap.

Rotary can answer that call by championing mental health awareness in our clubs, working with local health systems, funding training for community health workers, and supporting initiatives that bring care to places where none exists. Even small investments in mental health yield enormous returns in productivity, public health, and happiness.

While we are creating lasting change in the world, we cannot forget to take care of each other. Past RI President Gordon McInally wisely reminds us that we must go beyond asking, "How are you?" We owe it to each other to instead ask, "How are you really?"

## BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY



20<sup>th</sup>  
Dec

Rtn.  
Gopalkrishna  
M P



20<sup>th</sup>  
Dec

Rtn.  
Bharath Kumar  
M



22<sup>nd</sup>  
Dec

Rtn. Vivek  
Shyamrao  
Sangle



28<sup>th</sup>  
Dec.

Rtn. Salil  
Kumar Das



26<sup>th</sup>  
Dec

## ANNIVERSARY

Rtn. Dr. Nithesh S  
Ann. Dr Gouri S Hukkeri



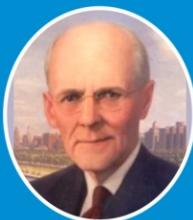
## UPCOMING EVENTS

21st Dec. 2025, Sunday

Human Milk Bank inauguration

## FOUR WAY TEST

1. Is it the truth ?
2. Is it fair to all concerned ?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships ?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned ?



Rtn. Paul Harris  
Founder



Rtn. Francesco Arezzo  
RI President



Rtn. Ramakrishna P.K.  
Dist. Governor 3181



Rtn. Gopal Krishna M P  
President



Rtn. Mohan Gurumurthy  
Secretary



Rtn. Vivek S Sangle  
Editor