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*"True leadership lies in guiding others to success." – Bill Owens*



## CLUB DIARY - 20 NOVEMBER, 2025

### "DEAD BODIES TELL TALES" - DR. MAHABALESH SHETTY

The meeting began with Invocation by Ann. Poonam Pai followed by the Presidential address and pleasantries. Past president Rtn Maj. Dnr. Archibald Menezes updated the club on the implementation of the global grant project, 'Obstetric Critical care unit at Govt. Lady Goshen Hospital. He also recognised the project partners and the members who immensely contributed through their involvement in executing the project partners.

Rtn. Dr. Rakshith Hegde introduced the chief guest to the gathering. The Rotary Club of Mangalore had the privilege of hosting an enlightening and deeply engaging session by renowned forensic expert Dr. Mahabalesh Shetty, titled "Dead Bodies Tell Tales." With decades of field experience and thousands of postmortems to his credit, Dr. Shetty offered the audience a rare window into how forensic science serves as the silent but powerful truth-teller behind some of the most puzzling death mysteries.

Dr. Shetty emphasized that forensic experts play a crucial role in assisting the police, especially in cases where appearances are deceptive.

Many deaths that initially seem like gruesome murders often turn out to be something entirely different. He narrated compelling cases where victims were mistakenly presumed to be brutally killed, only for forensic examination to reveal that the wounds were actually caused by stray dog bites. In several such instances, timely forensic clarity prevented communal tension and potential riots, proving how science can safeguard social harmony.

The talk also shed light on how no murderer, however cunning, can truly outsmart forensic evidence. Dr. Shetty explained that every crime leaves behind a trace — a clue embedded in the body, the bones, or the environment. Through meticulous analysis, experts can uncover signs of strangulation, smothering, poisoning, or intentional injury, even when the perpetrator has attempted to stage the death as natural or suicidal. In cases where bodies are discovered long after burial, skeletal remains still speak volumes. Forensic specialists can detect old bullet injuries, fractures from weapons, and even chemical traces of poisoning years after decomposition.

Dr. Shetty's presentation highlighted the irreplaceable value of forensic medicine — a discipline where science, truth, and justice converge. His insights left the audience with deep appreciation for the unseen heroes who help unravel mysteries and uphold justice long after a life has ended. The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by Rtn. Arun Isloor.

PROGRAM TODAY  
27 NOVEMBER, 2025

Guest speaker: Ar Ritesh Agrawal  
Topic: Contributing to the path of Mangaluru's global journey  
VENUE - OCEAN PEARL  
Tea Meeting

PROGRAM NEXT WEEK  
4 DECEMBER, 2025

Annual meeting  
VENUE - OCEAN PEARL  
Tea Meeting



## KNOW OUR SPEAKER

### Ar. Ritesh Suresh Agrawal

We are delighted to feature Ar. Ritesh Suresh Agrawal as our guest speaker this evening. An accomplished architect with over 30 years of experience, Ritesh brings deep expertise in architectural design, large-scale infrastructure, and complex project management. He holds a Master's degree in Architecture and has contributed to major projects across India and overseas.

Ritesh's distinguished airport portfolio includes significant roles in the design and development of Delhi's Terminal 3, Male International Airport, and, notably, Mangaluru International Airport, where he currently serves as Design Head. In this capacity, he plays a key role in envisioning how our airport evolves to meet future demands and how it supports Mangaluru's growing global presence.

His insights into airport architecture, passenger experience, and long-term planning make him a highly relevant and engaging speaker for our club.

We look forward!



## CLUB IN NEWS

### ROTARIANS AND ANNS VISIT SAANIDHYA SCHOOL FOR SPECIALLY-ABLED CHILDREN

The Rotarians and Anns of the club visited Saanidhya, an inspiring institution dedicated to the care and development of specially-abled children. What began as a small initiative by Ex-Rotaractor Vasanth Shetty and Prof. Radhakrishna with just two children has now grown into a thriving centre supporting 180 children with the help of 60 committed teaching and support staff. The visitors described Saanidhya as a blessing and a true wonder, reflecting the founders' compassion and dedication.

During the visit, members deeply appreciated the selfless service of Rtn. Madhav Suvarna and Prof. Radhakrishna, whose continued efforts have helped shape Saanidhya into a transformative space for countless families.

Those who visited included Rtn. Madhav Suvarna, Rtn. Prof. Radhakrishna, Rtn. Devraj Fernandes with Ann Reshma, Rtn. Dr. Siddarth Shetty with Ann Lakshmi, Rtn. Balachandra Rao with Ann Geeta B. Rao, and Ann Parvathi Kunal.

Members expressed gratitude for the opportunity and encouraged others to visit Saanidhya to experience firsthand the joy, hope, and positive impact the institution brings to the lives of these children.



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**RTN. VINOD ARANHA CHIEF GUEST AT ASHOKA VIDYALAYA CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION**

Rtn. Vinod Aranha, was invited as the Chief Guest for the Children's Day 2025 celebration at Ashoka Vidyalaya High School on 14 November 2025.

He addressed the students with an inspiring message on the importance of learning, curiosity, and kindness, making the occasion memorable for the children and the school community.

**RTN. DR. PRAMOD KUMAR HONOURED AT CUTICON 2025**

On 22 Nov Rtn. Dr Pramod Kumar delivered the Drs Rajendran & Shivkumar Oration at the State Conference of Dermatology - Cuticon 2025, at Kalaburgi. He was later honored for the same.



**"GOOD BYE, STRESS!" – TALK BY RTN. DR. KUNAL AT SDM LAW COLLEGE**

26 Nov: Rtn Dr Kunal addressed the students and faculty of SDM Law College on the topic "Good Bye, Stress!". The session was organised by the Women Empowerment Cell and the POSH Cell, and was very well received.

**MEMBERS  
IN NEWS**

**RTN. RAJENDRA KALBAVI CHIEF GUEST AT KALA UTSAV VALEDICTORY**

22 Nov: Rtn Rajendra Kalbavi was the chief guest at the valedictory ceremony of Kala Utsav at Sarojini Madhusudan Kushe school. Our past Rotary Ann Mrs Sarojini Kushe, though 87 years old, presided over the program.



24 Nov: Rtn Rajendra Kalbavi served as the installing officer for the ACCEI Mangalore Centre team for 2025-27 at Lions Seva Mandir, Kadri.

**IMA PRESIDENT RTN. DR. SADANANDA POOJARY HONOURED BY GARAGE OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

Rtn Dr Sadananda Poojary, President of IMA, was felicitated by the DK and Udupi District Garage Owners Association for his selfless service to the underprivileged, during their 40th anniversary celebration.



**RTN. PRASHANTH SHET HOSTS PHILATELIC & NUMISMATIC EXHIBITION**

22 & 23 Nov: Rtn Prashanth Shet recently hosted an impressive Philatelic & Numismatic Exhibition at the T.M.A. Pai Convention Centre. The two-day event showcased rare coins, stamps, postcards, and collectibles from India and around the world, drawing great appreciation from visitors. It was a proud moment for our club, and we congratulate Rtn Prashanth for this outstanding contribution to Mangaluru's cultural scene.

## ROTARY RIDDLES CORNER

I can be found in water, but never wet. What am I?

Send us your answers and be featured in the next  
**Rotalore**  
 (9845084266 – Rtn. Dr. Akhter Husain, Editor)

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS



**Rtn. Dr. Rakshith Hegde**  
 30th November

## ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS

**Rtn M Ganesh Kamath and Ann Neetha Kamath**

29th November

**Rtn. Sudhir Kumar Jalan and Ann Saritha**

2nd December

**Rtn. Jathin V Attavar and Ann Purna**

4th December

## THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

**FIRST >** Is it the **TRUTH**?

**SECOND >** Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

**THIRD >** Will it build **GOODWILL** and  
**BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

**FOURTH >** Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to  
 all concerned?

### CLUB PULSE

**20.11.2025**

Total members : 91  
 Members present : 41  
 Exempt : 5  
 Makeup : -  
 Percentage : 51%

### WEEKLY MEETING

**Thursday, 7.00 P.M.**

**Ocean Pearl**

Navabharath Circle,  
 Kodialbail, Mangalore

<https://www.rotarymangalore.com>

## A JOURNEY THROUGH HISTORY: RTN PRASHANTH SHET'S PHILATELIC & NUMISMATIC EXHIBITION

Mangaluru recently witnessed a delightful celebration of heritage through the two-day Philatelic and Numismatic Exhibition curated by our very own Rtn Prashanth Shet. Held at the Dr T.M.A. Pai Convention Centre on 22-23 November, the event drew visitors from across the city and offered a fascinating window into centuries of global and Indian history.

### A Collector with a Lifelong Passion

For Rtn Prashanth, this exhibition represented decades of dedication to a hobby he began in childhood. Over the years, he has built one of the region's most respected private collections, driven by curiosity, research, and a deep appreciation for the past. His passion was reflected in the thoughtful curation and historical context presented across the displays.

### Treasures That Captivated Visitors

The exhibition featured:  
 Ancient and medieval coins spanning several centuries  
 Coins from India and over 40 countries  
 Thousands of rare stamps from around the world  
 Philatelic material printed on innovative mediums such as foil, glass, ceramic, and wood  
 A rich assortment of postcards, thematic collections, and first-day covers  
 Each section offered visitors a story — of dynasties, trade, culture, and communication across ages.

### Pride for Our Club

The Rotary Club of Mangalore is immensely proud of Rtn Prashanth's achievement. His exhibition not only showcased an extraordinary personal collection but also enriched Mangaluru's cultural landscape. Many attendees, including students and families, left with a renewed appreciation for the art and history embedded in coins and stamps.

### A Memorable Event

This successful exhibition stands as a testament to Rtn Prashanth's passion and dedication. We congratulate him for this remarkable contribution and celebrate the pride he brings to our Rotary family.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 30 Nov: **Rtn PP Nagaraj Palke** will represent our club at the Rotary District Cultural Competition in the Solo Singing (Male) category, to be held at Moodbidri. He has been invited by the District in recognition of his past achievement as a zonal-level winner.