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**ITS OUR COLLECTIVE
AND INDIVIDUAL
RESPONSIBILITY.....TO PRESERVE AND
TEND TO THE WORLD
IN WHICH WE ALL
LIVE**

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President Rotary International

Rtn. Dinesh Mehta
District Governor

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Club President

Rtn. Sriram Seshan
Club Secretary

EMPOWERING RURAL COMMUNITIES

Global Grant Project Handover: Jawahar

On March 24, 2025, Club Secretary Rtn. Sriram Seshan visited the tribal villages of Kubhipada and Alivmal in Jawahar, Palghar District, to formally hand over two sub-surface dams constructed under the Global Grant project initiated in 2022-23, during the presidency of Rtn. N. Kalyan.

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These dams, funded through the Global Grant, address chronic water scarcity in the region by providing sustainable year-round access to water for drinking and agriculture. As part of the project, training was also imparted to local farmers on upkeep and maintenance, ensuring that the community is equipped to manage these resources independently and effectively.

This initiative stands as a shining example of Rotary's vision for sustainable development. The Rotary Club of Thana West, continues to uphold its commitment to impactful service and community empowerment.



SAVING LIVES THROUGH SERVICE

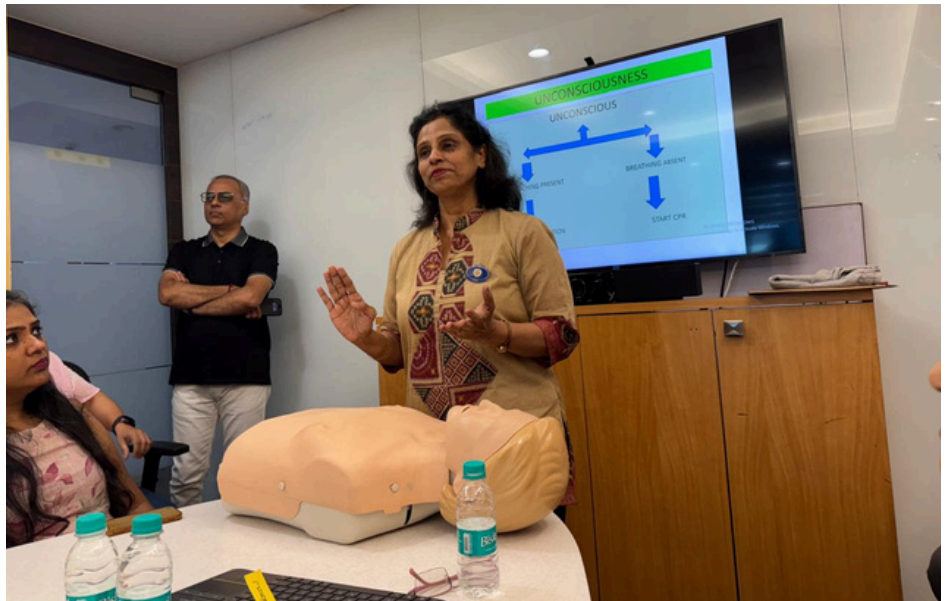
Blood Donation Camp & COLS Training at Flagship BioTech

On March 15, 2025, the Rotary Club of Thana West, in collaboration with the Inner Wheel Club of Thane West and Sri Sathya Sai Sanjeevani Hospital, organized a Blood Donation Camp and Compression Only Life Support (COLS) Workshop at Flagship Biotech International Pvt. Ltd., Ghansoli.

This impactful event was made possible through the dedicated efforts of Past President Rtn. Kedar Vidwans, whose company, Flagship Biotech, hosted the program and played a key role in its execution. The COLS session, conducted by Ms. Anjali Koparkar, empowered participants with life-saving CPR techniques that can be applied in emergency situations.

The event was graced by Club President Rtn. Kanwal Tikoo, First Lady Rtn. Anusha Tikoo, and Rtn. Vyankatesh Agarwal, reflecting the club's strong leadership presence and commitment to community health.

By combining the act of donating blood with hands-on emergency response training, this initiative beautifully embodied Rotary's spirit of "Service Above Self."



CELEBRATING STRENGTH, SPIRIT, AND SUCCESS

Women's Day Felicitation Ceremony

On the evening of March 12, 2025, the Rotary Club of Thana West, in collaboration with the Inner Wheel Club of Thane West, hosted a grand Women's Day Celebration at KKELTC Savitridevi Thirani School. The event was a heartfelt tribute to the achievements and resilience of women who continue to make remarkable contributions to society across diverse fields.

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The highlight of the evening was the felicitation of eight outstanding women achievers, each recognized for their dedication, courage, and leadership in their respective spheres. From grassroots changemakers to professionals leading from the front, these women embodied the spirit of perseverance and empowerment. Their stories served as an inspiration to all present, reinforcing the idea that when women rise, communities thrive.

The event was graced by esteemed Chief Guests – PDC Dr. Chhaya Bhadkamkar, a celebrated leader in the Inner Wheel movement, and Rtn. Chandrahas Shetty, DGND, a dynamic figure in the Rotary fraternity. Their encouraging words and motivating presence added great value to the celebration.

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Under the leadership of President Rtn. Kanwal Tikoo and the enthusiastic support of the Inner Wheel team led by President Aparna Kunte, the program was a true example of harmony, inclusivity, and shared purpose. The involvement of First Lady Rtn. Anusha Tikoo, club members, and the organizing team ensured the evening was beautifully coordinated and emotionally resonant.

This Women's Day celebration was not just an event – it was a reaffirmation of Rotary's commitment to gender equality, recognition, and empowerment, aligning with Rotary International's values of diversity and inclusion. The Rotary Club of Thana West remains proud to uplift voices that inspire change and lead with compassion.







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FROM THE EDITORS DESK

CELEBRATING WOMEN, HONOURING SERVICE, AND EMBRACING SUSTAINABILITY

March has been a month of celebration, reflection, and inspiration for the Rotary Club of Thana West. As the world marked International Women's Day, we too took a moment to honour the extraordinary women around us—those who quietly and tirelessly build bridges of compassion, knowledge, and change.

At a heartwarming event held on 12th March at KKE LTC Savitridevi Thirani School, the Club felicitated eight remarkable women for their achievements in diverse fields. Each of them has been a torchbearer in their own right, championing causes that have left a meaningful impact on society.

Among these luminaries, our very own Past President Rtn. Sadhana Vaze stood tall—not just for her past leadership within the Club, but for a lifetime dedicated to serving the differently-abled community. Her efforts were recognised at two prestigious platforms this month: the ROVEX Award 2025 by Rotary Club of Amara Thane in association with Pratibimba Foundation and Impact Academy, and a felicitation by the Vishwabharari Foundation on 15th March. Both honours acknowledged her unwavering commitment to community service. Rtn. Sadhana's contributions span decades. She has translated and transcribed over 70 books into Braille, with a strong focus on science and astronomy, helping bring complex subjects within reach of the visually impaired.

Beyond that, she has actively organised workshops, seminars, and inclusive educational initiatives for individuals with disabilities and those with special learning needs—demonstrating that accessibility is not a privilege, but a right.

As we move into Environment Month, her work reminds us of the deeper essence of sustainability—not just of nature, but of human potential and dignity. The environment we build through inclusion, empowerment, and shared learning is just as critical as the physical one we strive to protect. After all, Rotary's call to "Create Hope in the World" is as much about preserving our planet as it is about nurturing the human spirit.

Let us carry forward this spirit—of recognising changemakers, of fostering inclusion, and of committing to sustainable futures—for the world we leave behind is shaped not just by our actions, but by the compassion and courage that drive them.

Yours in Rotary,

Rtn Harshvardhan Surve
Bulletin Editor

BIRTHDAYS

9th Arya patnaik
 10th Harshad Mengle
 18th Prasad Borde
 20th Rtn Sanjay Deshpande
 20th R/Ann Shashikala Katkade
 25th Rtn D. V. Joshi
 26th Rtn Kanwal Tikoo

ANNIVERSARIES

7th April - PE Santosh & Sukhada Kadam
 26th April - Rtn Suresh Patil
 30th April - Rtn Sunil Katkade & Shashikala

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Divya Agarwal on being honored by Motilal Oswal for her vocational excellence

Cycle For Gold - Edition IV		
4 Feb 2025 - 16 Mar 2025		
My Progress Reports		
Overall Achievements Activities		
Overall standings		
18 / 26	542 / 1090	
Age Rank	Gender rank	
Distance	Long. activity	Daily avg.
353.85 km	72.65 km	39.32 km
Days	Speed	Attempts
9 / 41	12 km/h	9

Congratulations to Rtn. Sriram Seshan on completing a distance of 343Km of Cycling to help the treatment of Cancer effected children



Congratulations to PP Sadhana Vaze on being honoured with the ROVEX Award in recognition of her unwavering dedication, exemplary service and invaluable contributions, which have significantly enriched our community and for being recognized in the book "Unstoppable: The Women Who Paved The Way".

Club Officers & BoD 2024-25

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KANWAL TIKOO

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SRIRAM SESHAN

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We Meet Every Wednesday : 07:30 pm

Meeting Venue: Shrimati Savitridevi Thirani School, Vartak Nagar, Thana (West)

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