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Club of Thana West



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LET'S BE A RAINBOW TO AN UNKNOWN CLOUD



KNOW YOUR MEMBER



PP. Rtn. Dr. Raj Khankari

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President Rotary International

Rtn. Dinesh Mehta
District Governor

Rtn. Kanwal Tikoo
Club President

Rtn. Sriram Seshan
Club Secretary

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Dr. Raj Khankari: A Visionary Rotarian and Philanthropist



The Club is delighted to induct Dr. Raj Khankari as an honorary member during our recent Diwali Pahat event. Dr. Khankari has been a longstanding partner and supporter of our Global Grant projects, significantly enhancing their impact and reach.

Through his dedication and collaborative efforts, Dr. Khankari has played a pivotal role in securing and executing 10 Global Grant projects in partnership with our club and others in District 3142. These projects, totaling \$847,000, include six water-related grants worth \$515,000 that have improved access to clean and sustainable water, and four medical grants valued at \$342,000, addressing critical healthcare needs. His expertise and commitment have been instrumental in driving these transformative initiatives.

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Dr. Khankari brings with him an illustrious professional background. With over 30 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry, he holds a Masters in Pharmaceutics from the University of Cincinnati, a PhD in Pharmaceutics, and an MBA from the University of Minnesota. He is also the author of 16 issued patents, reflecting his innovative contributions to the field.

A Rotarian since 2016, Dr. Khankari has held significant leadership roles, including President of the Rotary Club of Maple Grove (2020-21) and Past Assistant Governor. During his presidency, he led initiatives worth over \$425,000, despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently serving as the Fundraising Chair for District 5950, he continues to uphold Rotary's commitment to making a difference.

Dr. Raj Khankari's induction is a moment of pride for the club, and we look forward to working together on future projects. His dedication to service and wealth of experience are sure to inspire and elevate our endeavors.



Celebrating Constitution Day



रोटरीतर्फे संविधान दिन साजरा

▶ ठाणे: ठाण्यातील सात रोटरी क्लब्सनी एकत्रितपणे डॉ. काशिनाथ घाणेकर नाट्यगृहात संविधान दिन साजरा करण्यात आला. या कार्यक्रमात प्रसिद्ध टेड एक्स स्पीकर डॉ. लकी कसाट यांनी "आमची कनिश्ठाटिक संविधान" हे माहितीपूर्ण भाषण सादर केले.

डॉ. लकी कसाट हे ज्युडिटर आणि कश्यप हॉस्पिटलशी संबंधित बालरोगतज्ञ आहेत आणि ते एक प्रेरणादायी जीवन प्रशिक्षक आणि महान मार्गदर्शक देखील आहेत. रोटरी क्लबच्या माध्यमातून एक दशकाहून अधिक काळ सामाजिक कार्यात त्यांचा सक्रिय सहभाग आहे. डॉ. कसाट यांनी संविधान



कसे बनवले गेले, त्यात कोणते मुद्दे मांडले गेले, ती बनवण्याची प्रक्रिया, संविधान बनवण्याचा इतिहास, त्यात झालेले बदल आणि आपली राज्यघटना २५० देशांमध्ये कशी वेगळी आणि महत्त्वाची आहे याबद्दल सांगितले.

रोटरी पीडीजी डॉ. एंशस गांगुली हे या कार्यक्रमाचे प्रमुख पाहणे होते आणि ७ सहभागी क्लबच्या अध्यक्षांनी राष्ट्रीयताने कार्यक्रमाची सुरुवात केेली. कार्यक्रमाला सहभागी संविधानाचे महत्व विशद करण्यात

आले. ठाणे शहरातील १५० अधिक रोटॅरियन आणि त्यांचे कुटुंबीय या कार्यक्रमात सहभागी झाले होते. शेवटी २६/११ च्या मुंबई दहशतवादी हल्ल्यातील शहीदना श्रद्धांजली अर्पण करून कार्यक्रमाची सांगता करण्यात आली.

Last month, our club co-hosted a district-wide celebration of Constitution Day, honoring the Indian Constitution and its enduring legacy. The highlight of the event was an inspiring and meticulously crafted presentation by Dr. Lucky Kasat.

Dr. Kasat showcased rare images of the original Constitution, bringing to life the intricate artwork, symbolic designs, and carefully chosen wording that make it a masterpiece. He delved into the painstaking process of its creation, explaining the significance of various pages and their designs. His research, which involved an extraordinary level of detail and dedication, provided a unique and profound understanding of the document that shapes our democracy.

The event was well-attended and left a lasting impression on all participants. Dr. Kasat's presentation was not only educational but also a powerful reminder of the vision and effort that went into drafting the Constitution. It was an evening that deepened our appreciation for the principles and values that continue to guide our nation.



MANTHAN – AN INSPIRING AND ENRICHING EXPERIENCE



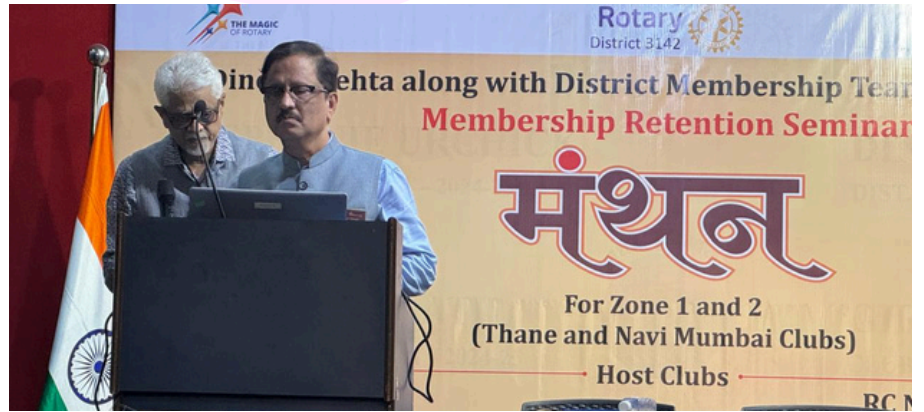
The club participated in Manthan, a district-organized event focused on membership retention and the transformative power of Rotary. The event was graced by District Governor Dinesh Mehta and other seasoned Rotarians who have risen through the ranks, sharing their heartfelt experiences of Rotary's impact on their lives.



Through compelling narratives, the speakers highlighted how Rotary has been a source of support during challenging times, a platform for building lifelong friendships, and a catalyst for professional growth. They also emphasized how Rotary's philosophy of "Service Above Self" has profoundly shaped their values and approach to life.



Manthan was an inspiring and enriching experience, leaving attendees with renewed enthusiasm for the Rotary movement and a deeper appreciation for the sense of purpose and camaraderie it fosters.



DIWALI PAHAT - CELEBRATING THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS



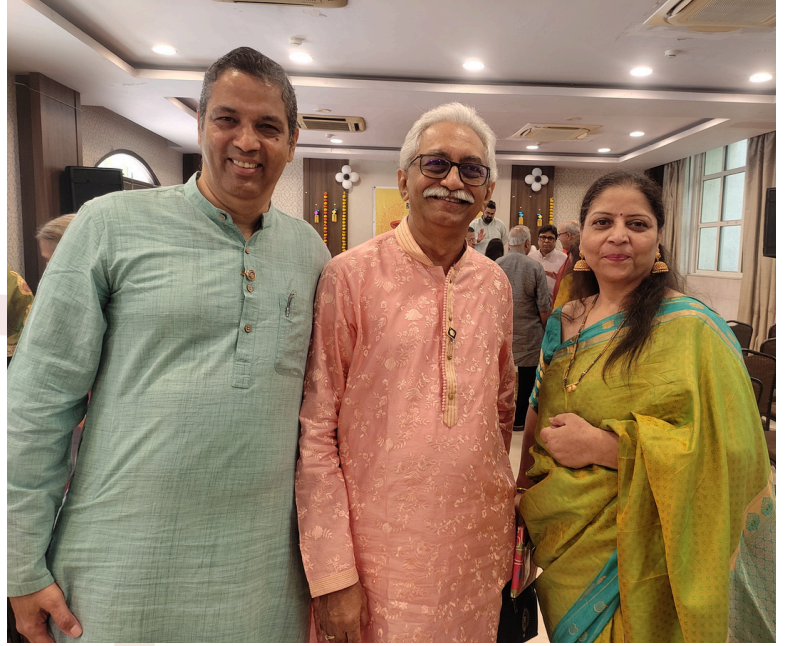
The club hosted a vibrant Diwali Pahat event to celebrate the festival of lights, blending fellowship with soulful music. The melodious tunes performed by the singers of "Navrang" created an enchanting morning for all attendees. The event was beautifully conceptualized by Ashish Nagpurkar, with contributions from talented musicians and anchored by Aarti Nair.



A highlight of the occasion was the presence of District Governor Dinesh Mehta, adding grace and enthusiasm to the celebration. The event also marked a significant moment as we proudly inducted Dr. Raj Khankari as an honorary member, recognizing his remarkable contributions to Rotary and society.

The morning was a perfect blend of joy, culture, and inspiration, reflecting the true essence of Rotary's commitment to community and fellowship.









FROM THE EDITORS DESK

A MONTH OF FELLOWSHIP, CELEBRATIONS, AND LEARNING

As the calendar year nears its end, our club has embraced the spirit of Rotary with a series of enriching and inspiring events. Each occasion has reaffirmed our commitment to fellowship, service, and the values that define us as Rotarians.

We began the month with the vibrant Diwali Pahat celebration, blending soulful melodies with the joy of togetherness. Conceptualized with care and precision, this event brought our members and guests together to celebrate the festival of lights. The morning's energy was further elevated by the presence of District Governor Dinesh Mehta, who shared in the celebrations and witnessed a momentous milestone for our club – the induction of Dr. Raj Khankari as an honorary member. Dr. Khankari's contributions to Rotary's Global Grant projects and his inspiring professional achievements make him a worthy addition to our Rotary family.

The club also co-hosted a district wide event to mark Constitution Day, highlighting the profound legacy of the Indian Constitution. The meticulously researched presentation by Dr. Lucky Kasat, featuring images of the original Constitution, captivated the audience and deepened our appreciation of this foundational document.

The insights into its design and wording reminded us of the vision and dedication that went into its creation, instilling a sense of pride and responsibility among attendees. A moment of silence was observed paying homage to the valiant martyrs of the ghastly 26/11 terror attack on Mumbai

Later in the month, we participated in Manthan, a district-organized membership retention event. The heartfelt stories shared by DG Dinesh Mehta and other Rotarians provided an inspiring glimpse into how Rotary enriches lives. These experiences highlighted the support Rotary offers during challenging times, the enduring friendships it fosters, and the way it strengthens both professional growth and personal values. The event left us with a renewed sense of purpose and a deeper commitment to "Service Above Self."

Through these events, our club has strengthened its bonds, celebrated its achievements, and looked forward to the future with optimism. As we continue to serve and inspire, let us carry forward the lessons of fellowship, dedication, and the transformative power of Rotary in all we do.

Yours in Rotary,

Rtn Harshvardhan Surve
Bulletin Editor

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE MONTH

1st	Rtn Deepanjali Mengle
4th	R/Ann Tanu Jain
7th	Rtn Manjiri Surve
13th	Rtn Ajit Vora
18th	Miss Arya Harshad Mengle

20th	R/Ann Manisha Jain
22nd	Rtn Dr Sunil Katkade
23rd	R/Ann Tanvi Tasgaonkar
25th	Ashutosh Shirolkar
28th	Rtn. Dr.Keshav Kulkarni

ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE MONTH

5th	Rtn C Ramadasan & Sasi
12th	Rtn Arya Patnaik and Jayanti
18th	Rtn Suchit Gadakari & Rtn. Alpana
25th	Rtn Kedar & Rtn. Tejaswini



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