



Monthly Bulletin

July 2024

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**Rtn. Stephanie A. Urchik**  
President Rotary International

**Rtn. Dinesh Mehta**  
District Governor

**Rtn. Kanwal Tikoo**  
Club President

**Rtn. Sriram Seshan**  
Club Secretary

**AN AWESOME INSTALLATION**

**ROTARY CLUB OF THANA WEST**  
Club ID: 15544 Charter Date: 20th June 1972  
**Installation Ceremony**  
of **Rtn Kanwal Tikoo**  
as Awesome President and Board of RY 2024-25  
Chief Guest: **Dinesh Mehta**  
District Governor, RY 2024-25  
on Thursday 20th June 2024 at Maple Inn Banquet, Thane (W).

**Shrirang Deshpande**  
Club President  
(2023-24)

**Kanwal Tikoo**  
Club President  
Club Secretary  
(2024-25)

**Sriram Seshan**  
Club Secretary  
(2024-25)

**IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE  
YOUR FOOTPRINTS ON  
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DO NOT DRAG YOUR  
FEET**

**APJ Abdul Kalam**

**KNOW YOUR MEMBER**



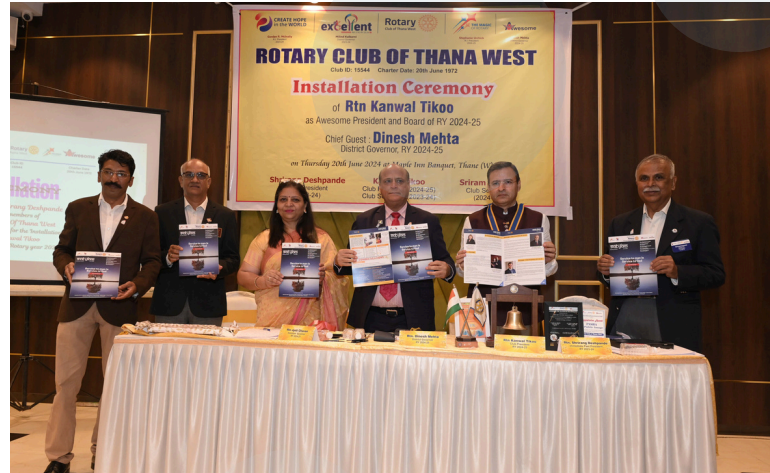
**Rtn Arya Patnaik**

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

Meeting Timings: Every Wednesday : 07:30 pm

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## FROM THE EDITORS DESK

### Dear Rotarians,

As we usher in the second bulletin of this Rotary year, I find myself reflecting on the vibrant journey our club has embarked upon under the new leadership of Club President Kanwal Tikoo. The energy and enthusiasm radiating from our members are truly inspiring, and it is with great excitement that I pen down my thoughts for this edition.

We had a very well-organized installation. The planning and vision demonstrated in the presentation and execution were inspiring. The presence of 26 members and 12 Co-Presidents is a testimony of his connect during PETS and PREPETS. With clear goals established by DG Dinesh Mehta and a capable team led by Kanwal and Rtn. Sriram, we at RCTW are assured of a memorable, joyful, and Awesome Rotary year.

### A New Beginning:

President Kanwal Tikoo has already set a dynamic course for us, with clear goals and strategic plans in place. His dedication to upholding our club's values of integrity, empathy, and teamwork has set a solid foundation for the "Awesome Year" ahead.

While continuing with our projects initiated under Shrirang Deshpande's term, we are also part of exciting endeavors like the Eight MEGA Projects, the unique 12 Amrit Mahotsav Challenges, and the Annapurna Project, which commenced on July 1, 2024. These projects, along with others, provide us with numerous opportunities to engage and make a meaningful impact.

As we embrace the theme of the "Awesome Year," let us remember the words of Abraham Lincoln, as quoted by DG Dinesh Mehta: "If you give me six hours to chop down a tree, I will spend the first four hours sharpening the axe." This analogy reminds us that preparation is key to our success. Rotary equips us with the tools and knowledge we need to lead effectively and make a difference.

### Early Achievements:

As we stepped into this Rotary year, our club has actively participated in the Annapurna initiative by donating groceries to "Shri Swami Samarth Annachatra," which organizes daily meals for the needy. We also continued our focus on improving sanitation facilities in schools. Continuing the projects initiated in the earlier term through a CSR initiative by Flagship Biotech India Ltd., we constructed a toilet block for girls at Raigad ZP school in Bagechivadi, Sarsai village, Panvel, inaugurated on 22nd June 2024. Another toilet block was completed and inaugurated at Thirani High School on 23rd June 2024. These projects reflect our commitment to enhancing community infrastructure and supporting education.

In an impressive commitment to The Rotary Foundation (TRF), our club has pledged \$10,000 for this year. True to the Rotary motto "Service before Self" our Club President Kanwal Tikoo, TRF Chair Rtn. Suchit Gadkari, PP Rtn. Sadhana Vaze, and PE Rtn. CA Santosh Kadam made a generous contribution of \$1,000 each to TRF. For this outstanding contribution they were felicitated by PRIP Ravindran in an elaborate ceremony.

### Conclusion:

As your Bulletin Editor and a proud member of this club, I am filled with optimism for what lies ahead. This year is not just about executing projects; it's about fostering a collaborative spirit, sharing ideas, and working towards our collective goals with renewed energy and dedication. Each member's contribution is invaluable, and together, we can achieve greatness.

Yours in Rotary,

**Harshvardhan Surve**

**Bulletin Editor**

## KNOW YOUR MEMBER



### Rtn Arya Patnaik

Arya Patnaik is a distinguished serial entrepreneur and digital marketing expert, recognized among the “Top 100 Digital Marketing Experts” globally by Klout. LinkedIn ranks Arya in the top 5% of 2.1 million digital marketers on the platform in 2023. As the Marketing Head and Co-founder of Intermind, Arya has a rich background of 23 years in the digital domain, handling consulting assignments and online marketing campaigns across the US, Europe, Asia, and Australia.

Intermind stands at the forefront of innovation as one of the premier 360-degree full-service interactive agencies. Strategically located in Mumbai (India), Melbourne (Australia) & LA (US), the firm brings unparalleled expertise to the forefront of digital solutions. Intermind's extensive repertoire spans across multifarious domains, ranging from Digital Marketing and UI/UX design to Mobile Applications, Augmented Reality/Virtual Reality (AR/VR), Artificial Intelligence (AI), and the Internet of Things (IoT).

## AN AWESOME START



As we stepped into this Rotary year, we started the awesome year with Annapurna project, a significant step in their mission to combat hunger and support the underprivileged. Our club has actively participated with fellow Clubs in the Annapurna initiative by donating groceries to "Shri Swami Samarth Annachatra," which organizes daily meals for the needy.

The clubs together donated enough supplies to feed individuals for an entire week. This included essential items like rice, pulses, poha rawa, cooking oil, spices, and other staples necessary for preparing meals.

**Target Beneficiaries:**The primary recipients were homeless individuals struggling to meet their daily nutritional needs. Approximately 300 people benefit from daily meals at leading to an estimated 2,100 individuals impacted by the week-long support from the Annapurna project.

It demonstrated the club's commitment to making a tangible difference in the community and set a positive precedent for future initiatives.

The success of the Annapurna project today has likely motivated the club to continue and possibly expand such initiatives.

## TOILET BLOCK INAUGURATION AT BAGHECHI WADI PRIMARY SCHOOL, PANVEL

Inauguration of toilet block for girls at Raigad ZP school in Bagechivadi, Sarsai village, Panvel, constructed through a CSR initiative by Flagship Biotech India Ltd. a company of PP Kedar Vidwans, on 22nd June 2024





## An Awesome Roadmap

### Club Assembly

The First Club Assembly was held on 10th July 2024 with Assistant Governor Jyoti Chavan as the Chief Guest. Club President laid out an impressive roadmap for the year highlighting the Clubs participation in District projects and the Clubs signature projects.

Assistant Governor Jyoti Chavan was highly impressed with the Members enthusiasm, the remarkable professionalism with which the assembly was conducted and commended a message as follows -

“Yesterday's club assembly at Thana West, led by our awesome president Kanwal, was conducted with remarkable professionalism and adherence to protocol. All monthly activities and projects were announced, and we had discussion on the club bylaws, budget, and yearly calendar.

It's inspiring to see our members' dedication, with four members already donating \$1,000 each, as there are 33 members assuming 3 newcomers it completes our EREY target Kanwal will be collecting \$25 from the remaining members this month to meet the target requested by the DG, aiming to make our District 3142 a 100% Clubs Contributed District to the Rotary Foundation in the first month. Of course members of this club will surely donate more in the months to follow.

Our membership motto, "Each One Get One," is in full swing, and CSR activities for the year are lined up and ready to go.

For member retention and engagement, Kanwal has assigned responsibilities to a new member, ensuring their immediate involvement in club activities.

Kanwal truly put on a fantastic show yesterday, and I am confident that Thana West is set for an outstanding year ahead.

Thanks to Thana West for their warm welcome and hospitality. I am proud to be associated with you all.”

**Assistant Governor Jyoti Chavan**  
 11th July 2024

## Awesome TRF Celebration

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## CLUB IN THE NEWS

The installation ceremony of our Awesome Club President was covered by leading local publications highlighting the Clubs achievements and dedication towards the society over the years.



### MEETING SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST

- 7th August : "The world of Chess" - Mr. Abhijit Joshi
- 14th August: "Analysis - Union Budget" - CA Sagar Jaywant
- 21st August: "Positive Peace" - Rtn Vijay Kewalramani
- 28th August: Know Your Member - Rtn Harshad Mengle

### BIRTHDAYS OF THE MONTH

- 8th August - Rtn Venkatesh Agarwal
- 27th August - R/Ann Rohini Darveshi

### ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Club Secretary Rtn. Sriram Seshan for his fabulous achievements in his Cycling endeavour completing 5000 km & completing the 1000 km Kannur Cycling challenge.

# CONGRATULATIONS

## Club Officers & BoD 2024-25

**Club President**  
 KANWAL TIKOO

**Club Secretary**  
 SRIRAM SESHAN

**President Elect** SANTOSH A. KADAM

**IPP** SHRIRANG W. DESHPANDE

**Treasurer** MANOJ RANGRAJ JAIN

**Sergeant-at-arms** PRASAD M. BORDE

**Club Administration** - Rtn. Sriram Seshan

**Membership** - Rtn. Kedar Vidwans

**TRF** - Rtn. Suchit Gadkari

**Public Relations** - Rtn Arya Patnaik

**Vocational** - Rtn. Sadhana Vaze

**Medical [Service Project]** - Rtn. Dr. Arohi Tasgaonkar

**Non Medical [Service Project]** - Rtn. Harshad Mengle

**International** - Rtn. Shrirang Deshpande

**Youth [New Generation]** - Rtn Rohan Tasgaonkar

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