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**Rotary**

Club of Thana West



# LET'S LIGHTUP THE WORLD WITH KINDNESS AND COMPASSION

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District Governor

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Club President

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Club Secretary

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## SIGNATURE PROJECTS – CREATING IMPACT

We were honored to host our club's international partner, Past President Rtn. Raj Khankari from the Rotary Club of Maple Grove, who has been instrumental in our global grant projects. During his visit, he participated in the formal handing over of the subsurface dam at Jambhulwadi, Mokhada, a significant achievement for our ongoing initiatives.

The visit also included a tour of the irrigation sites at Jambhulmatha and Ruipada Mokhada, where vital work is being carried out to improve water access for local communities. Additionally, the Bhoomi Pooja ceremony at Kumbhipada marked the beginning of the execution of a new subsurface dam project, which will further enhance the region's water resources. We are grateful for his continued support and partnership in these impactful projects.



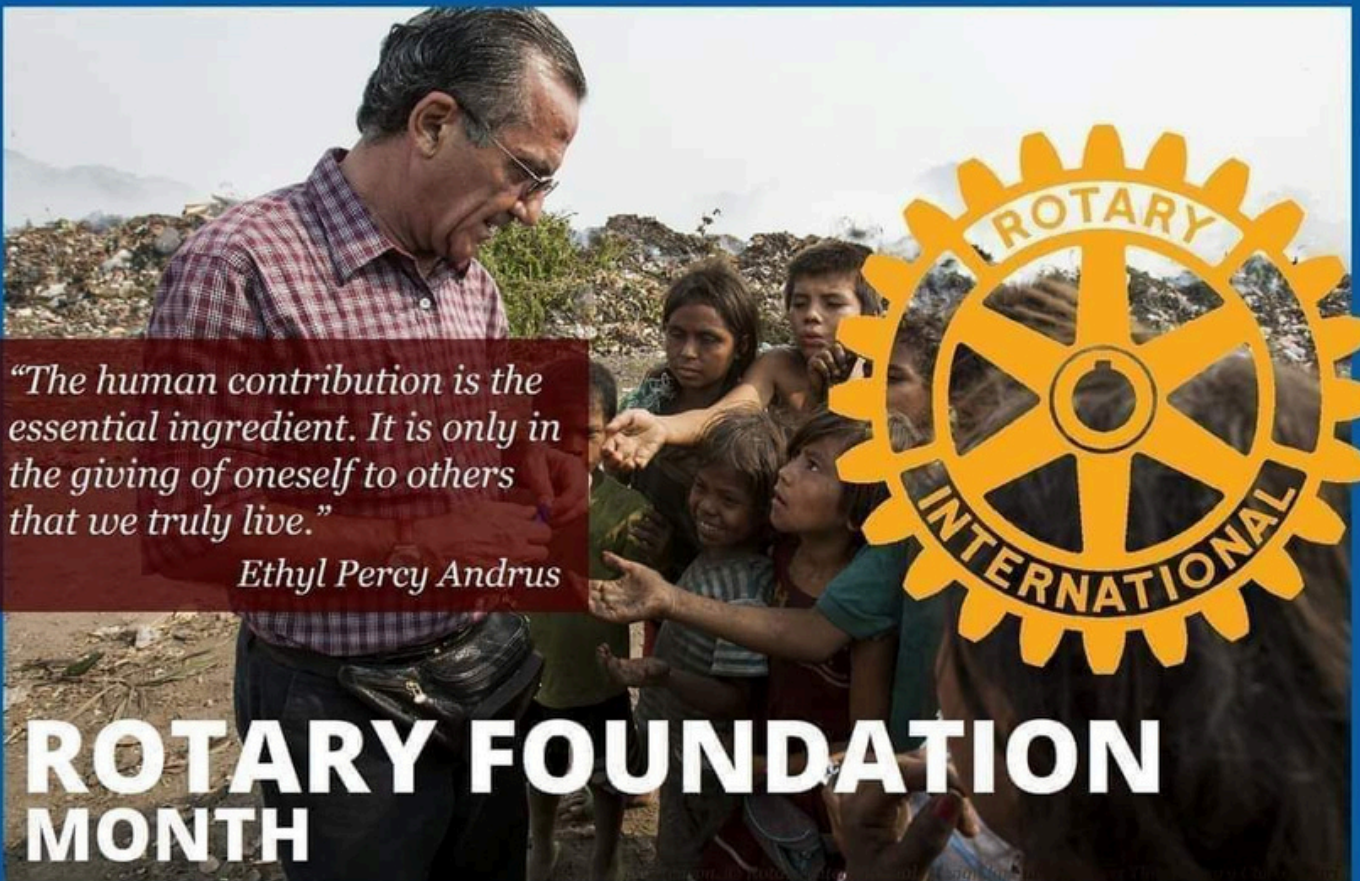
## ROTARY GIVING



In recognition of their generous contribution towards The Rotary Foundation, President Kanwal Tikoo, Past President Rtn. Sadhana Vaze, Club TRF Chair Rtn. Suchit Gadkari, and President-elect Rtn. Santosh Kadam were felicitated in a special ceremony.

The award was presented in the esteemed presence of The Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Mark Malone, Trustee Dr. Bharat Pandya and DG Dinesh Mehta. This recognition reflects the club's dedication to supporting The Rotary Foundation and its impactful global initiatives.

# NOVEMBER



*"The human contribution is the essential ingredient. It is only in the giving of oneself to others that we truly live."*

*Ethyl Percy Andrus*

## ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

TAKE ACTION: Get Involved, Give

# EXEMPLARY LEADERSHIP – AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

Our club is immensely proud to have received several prestigious awards from the Rotary Foundation for the year 2023-24. These accolades include the 100% Foundation Giving Club recognition, the Every Rotarian Every Year Club recognition, a district citation for Best Service to Youth, and the award for Best Project in Water Management.

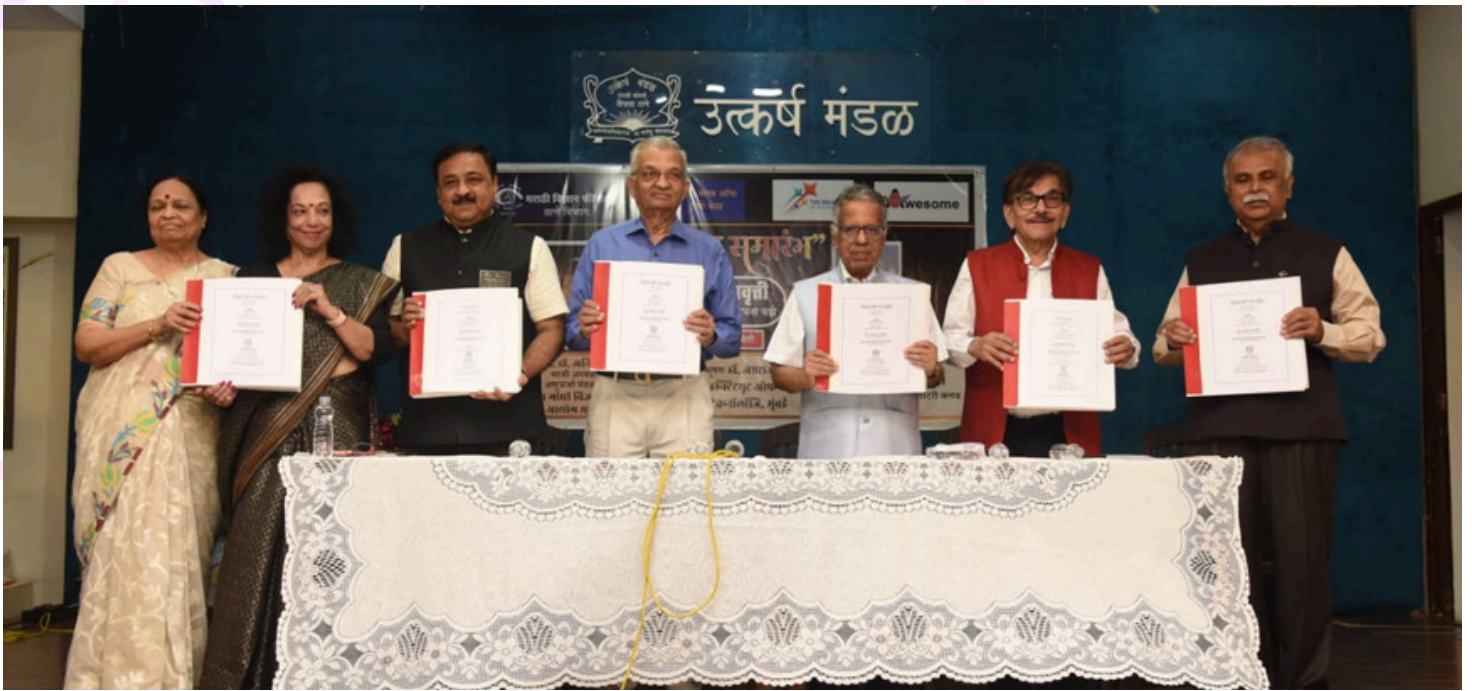
This incredible achievement would not have been possible without the exceptional leadership of our Past President, Rtn. Shrirang Deshpande. Under his guidance, the club has flourished, executing projects that align with Rotary's mission and vision for service. His leadership has inspired all members to work with passion and commitment, resulting in the successful completion of key initiatives. The citations and awards were presented to our club by Awesome DG Dinesh Mehta, with Excellent DG Milind Kulkarni in attendance, honoring the collective efforts of our members.



## SCIENCE FOR ALL - INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

PP Rtn. Sadhana Vaze was recently honored for her dedicated work in transcribing scientific books into Braille, making science accessible to the specially abled. At an event organized by the Rotary Club of Thane West and Marathi Vidnyan Parishad, two Marathi science books—Katha ISRO Chi and Vidnyanachi Garudjhep—were launched in Braille format. Sadhana has transcribed over 70 books, empowering visually impaired readers to access scientific knowledge in Marathi. The event was graced by distinguished personalities, including Padma Vibhushan Dr. Anil Kakodkar, who highlighted the ongoing relevance of Braille in a digital age.

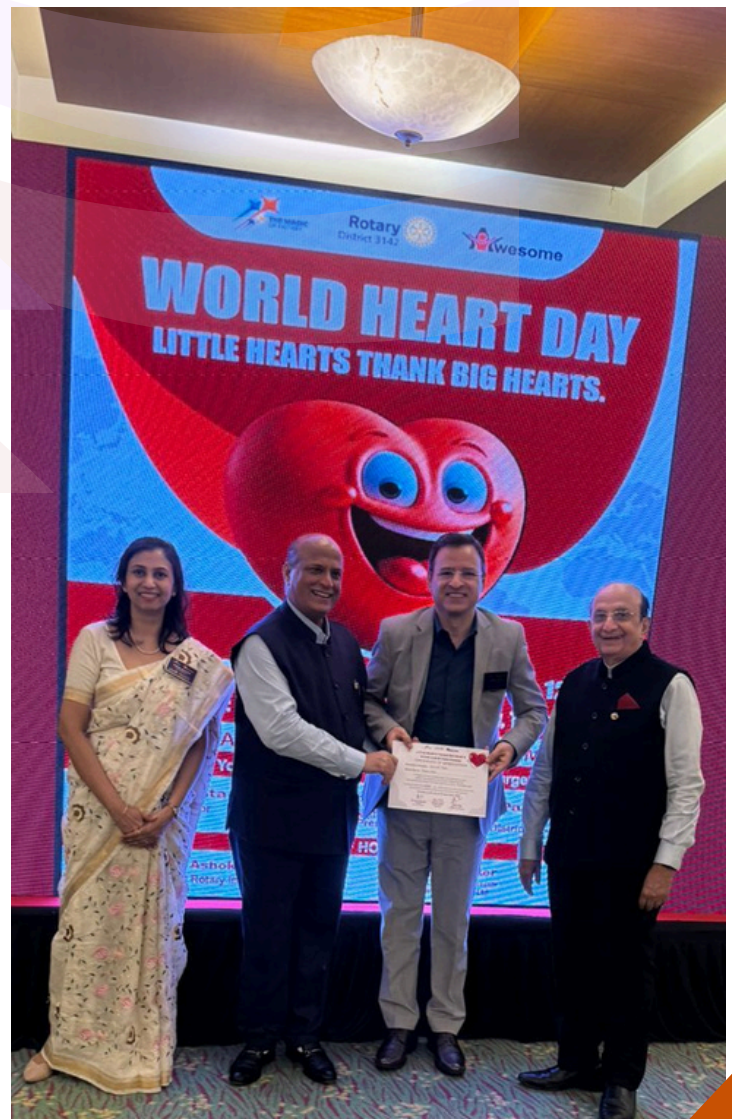
PP Rtn. Sadhan Vaze's contributions continue to inspire efforts to improve scientific literacy for the specially abled, reaffirming Braille's lasting significance in making knowledge more accessible.



## HEALING HEARTS - COMPASSION IN ACTION

On the occasion of World Heart Day, the Club made a heartfelt contribution of Rs. 50,000 to support the life-saving surgeries of two young children in need of pediatric heart care. This donation was a part of our ongoing efforts to make a significant impact in the community, particularly in the field of healthcare. As a club, we are committed to standing together and making a difference in the lives of those who need it most, and this initiative reflects that spirit. By supporting these surgeries, we hope to bring hope and a better future to these children and their families.

In recognition of this noble contribution, our President, Kanwal Tikoo, was honored with a Certificate of Appreciation by DG Dinesh Mehta, a testament to the collective effort and dedication of our club members. This recognition is not just for the monetary donation but for the compassion and solidarity that our club embodies. We are proud of our collective contribution and look forward to continuing our philanthropic work in the future.



## EMPOWERING EDUCATION

The club recently donated a study app to 100 deserving students at Mavli Mandal High School, helping to enhance their learning experience. Club President Kanwal Tikoo interacted with the students and handed over the app vouchers, encouraging them to make the most of this valuable educational tool. The event was further graced by the presence of Rtn. Arya Patnaik, Rtn. Harshad Mengale, and Rtn. Harshvardhan Surve, who were all actively involved in the initiative. This donation reflects the club's commitment to supporting education and empowering students to achieve their academic goals.



## IMPACTING PUBLIC HEALTH & WELL BEING



The club and its members generously donated towards the Nikshay Mitra Yojana to support 22 families of in-treatment TB patients, an initiative under the Prime Minister's TB Free India campaign. This contribution is part of the club's ongoing efforts to support national health initiatives and help combat tuberculosis across the country. By participating in the Nikshay Mitra Yojana, we aim to provide essential support to those affected by TB, contributing to a healthier and TB-free India.



The program offers complete support to the families of in-treatment TB patients, covering nutritional needs, medical assistance, and other crucial services to aid their recovery. Our club remains committed to making a meaningful impact on public health and well-being, not only in our community but across the nation, as we strive to create a world free of tuberculosis.







## FROM THE EDITORS DESK

### CELEBRATING LEADERSHIP, SERVICE, AND IMPACT

We begin this editorial by congratulating our Past President Rtn. Shrirang Deshpande for his exceptional leadership, which has earned our club several prestigious accolades. Under his guidance, our club has not only strengthened its commitment to Rotary's ideals but also excelled in executing impactful service projects. The recognition as a 100% Foundation Giving Club, along with awards for Best Service to Youth and Best Project in Water Management, reflects his leadership and, the dedication and hard work of every member. These accolades, presented by DG Dinesh Mehta, underscore our collective efforts in making a significant difference in the lives of those we serve.

Our club's contributions extend beyond local initiatives. We recently donated Rs. 50,000 to support pediatric heart surgeries for children in need, as part of our ongoing efforts to improve healthcare access. This generous act was celebrated on World Heart Day, where we were honored with a Certificate of Appreciation from DG Dinesh Mehta. Our commitment to supporting The Rotary Foundation also continues to grow, with members receiving recognition for their contributions, further solidifying our commitment to global Rotary initiatives.

International collaboration remains a cornerstone of our work, and we were honored to host our international partner from the Rotary Club of Maple Grove. His visit included the successful handover of a subsurface dam at Jambhulwadi, Mokhada, as well as a tour of irrigation sites, and the Bhoomi Pooja for a new subsurface dam project at Kumbhipada.

These initiatives are crucial for enhancing water resources and improving living conditions in rural areas, demonstrating the power of global partnerships in addressing pressing community needs.

In the realm of education, our club continues to empower students by donating a study app to 100 deserving learners at Mavli Mandal High School. This initiative helps bridge educational gaps and provides students with tools to succeed. We are proud to contribute to the academic growth of the next generation, preparing them for a brighter future.

Our commitment to health and well-being also extends to the national stage. Through our generous donations to the Nikshay Mitra Yojana, part of the Prime Minister's TB Free India initiative, we are supporting 22 families in the fight against tuberculosis, helping to reduce the burden of this disease in our country.

Lastly, we congratulate Past President Rtn. Sadhana Vaze for her groundbreaking work in transcribing scientific books into Braille, making science more accessible to the specially abled. Her dedication to this cause was recently honored, highlighting her unwavering commitment to empowering those with disabilities. Her remarkable contribution serves as an inspiration to us all, exemplifying the true spirit of Rotary.

These accomplishments remind us of the power of service, leadership, and collaboration. As we reflect on our achievements, we are motivated to continue striving for excellence, making a positive impact in our community and beyond.

Yours in Rotary,

**Rtn Harshvardhan Surve**  
**Bulletin Editor**

# CONGRATULATIONS

# ACHIEVEMENTS



Congratulations to PP Rtn. Jayant Joshi on securing second place in the 25th State Level Masters Aquatic Championship



Congratulations to PP Rtn. Sadhana Vaze for publishing 2 Books transcribed in Braille for the specially abled

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE MONTH

- 3rd Nov. - Rtn Sadhana Vaze
- 20th Nov. - Rtn Sriram Seshan
- 24th Nov. - Rtn C Ramadasan
- 30th Nov. - R/Ann Saroj Mahesh Parekh



- 16th Nov. - Rtn Diwaker Durve & Vandana
- 23rd Nov. - Rtn. Prasad & Pratiksha Borde

## 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

We Meet Every Wednesday : 07:30 pm

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