



Rotary
Club of Bombay Powai
District 3141



POWAI TARANG JANUARY 2025

Vocational Service Month
Sanskriti Theme: Makar Sankranti & Lohri



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PRESIDENT *Speaks*



Rtn. Dr. Susan Tripathi
Club President

Dear RCBP Family,

In Rotary, the theme for **January month** is **"Vocational Service"**

Vocational Service is one important Avenue of Service in Rotary that encourages Rotarians to use their professional skills to help their community. Rotary believes in skilling people and making them employable. Every human being has a right to live a life of dignity. This is possible only when they are trained to develop a skill which can help them be productive and in the bargain be employable or move the entrepreneurship way.

From the time that CSR policy has come into play, there has been a turnaround in the quantum and the scale of projects that have been driven by Rotary Clubs worldwide. Thanks to such brilliant collaborations, it has given birth to many Vocational Centres thereby training many beneficiaries in varied skills. RCBP in the Vibrant Year, has empowered more than 50 young 10th pass-outs through the Graphic Designing program conducted by Pratham Foundation with CSR Support from L&T Realty and LTPCT. We are also empowering 50 young ladies with a Beautician program at Manjhi Skilling Centre and 50 Transgenders in Jewellery Making at Yuva Parivartan Centre through the CSR Funds of CaratLane. All of these programs is making a positive difference to the 150 beneficiaries.



PRESIDENT *Speaks*

Therefore, along with the other projects in the areas of Women Empowerment, Child Development, Education & Literacy, Health & Hygiene, Sustainable Green Energy, Pediatric Heart Surgeries, I am thrilled to continue doing Vocational Services projects too... all of these makes impactful changes in the society and uplifts peoples hope.

The Theme of Sanskriti this month is Makar Sankranti. The essence of Sankranti is the celebration of the transition of the sun, the start of longer days and the harvest season. It is celebrated all over India in different States by different names but with the same spirit of being the process of life and regeneration, indicating the beginning of the new harvest year. As Rotarians, we too emulate these attributes in our way of living by giving our time and energies voluntarily in the service of mankind year after year.

In December-24, we completed 33 projects, 1 fundraiser fellowship program and 4 meetings with lots of enthusiastic support of our members and spouses. We shared joys of Christmas with 50 residents of Little Sisters of the Poor - Home for the Aged, distributed 1450 Ideal Study application cards in schools at Vikramgad and Vikhroli, distributed 5 wheelchairs to 4 NGOs. We completed the semi & finals of Voice of Powai on 8th and 15th Dec, 24 with a lot of fanfare. We witnessed some very good performances this year and knew for sure that the level of contestants have gone up the bar. We also completed Powai Fest 25: Carnival and Fun Street with a lot of enthusiasm and superlative variety of programs this year. The turnout at Fun street was phenomenal and all the people enjoyed themselves till the end hours where we had to close music owing to the regulatory music guidelines.



PRESIDENT *Speaks*

This Vibrant Carnival & Fun Street has been etched in the memory of all members, participants and stall owners for life. We are grateful to our members contributions to the projects and for your donations. We have completed 75 medical camps from July to Dec,24. We thank L&T Realty and Larsen & Toubro Public Charitable Trust for providing CSR support for 100 medical camps in the Vibrant year.

The new year beginning with January-25 is an absolutely action packed month... We are going ahead with our 3 events planned under Vibrant Powai Fes 25 namely, Kavi Kala, No Cook Challenge and Taare Zameen Par (Art & Craft Competition). A speaker meeting is planned and we have invited Mr. Rishi Nanda, an Internationally acclaimed Speaker to speak on the topic "Lord Hanumanji, the Perfect Karma Yogi and relate instances from Ramayan for our daily life." Our 08 Annapoorna services and 10+ medical camps scheduled will continue in this month too. We have planned few projects late evening and also on weekends to give an option to our working members to join & participate. I look forward to your involvement, contributions & motivation as always.

I wish you & your family abundant joys and success in all your endeavours in this New Year 2025.

Yours In Service,
Rtn. Dr. Susan Tripathi
Club President



MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR RID 3141

Dear Vibrant Family,

As we step into the second half of this magical Rotary year, let us pause to reflect on the remarkable journey we've shared so far. The first six months of our Vibrant Year have been nothing short of extraordinary, marked by milestones that stand as a testament to the collective efforts of our 6,500 spirited Rotarians across RID 3141.

Our district has thrived under the unparalleled synergy of our Vibrant Presidents, Core Team, Nucleus Team, AGs, ALFs, Avenue Chairs, and every member who embraced the theme "Magic of Rotary" and brought it to life. From impactful CSR initiatives and literacy programs to health projects and membership growth, each of you has played a pivotal role in transforming our shared vision into vibrant reality.

Together, we have demonstrated what is possible when we unite with purpose. The remarkable membership growth that has propelled our district to the numero uno position, the accolades received for our CSR projects, and the countless smiles brought through community service are all reflections of your unwavering dedication.



Rtn. Chetan Desai
District Governor
RID 3141



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As we welcome the New Year, I wish you and your families abundant happiness, good health, and continued success. May 2025 be a year of fulfillment and joy as we carry forward the momentum of this Vibrant Year.

Together, we can—and together, we will—continue to build on the magic of Rotary, making our clubs irresistible and our district unparalleled.

With gratitude and pride in our Vibrant Family,

Rtn. Chetan Desai
District Governor
Rotary District 3141 (2024-25)

"Together we can, Together we will."



MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT



Stephanie A. Urchick
President 2024-25

I always walk into meetings at my home club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, with a smile on my face.

A few years ago, someone arrived late. Instead of scolding the person, we cheered. Since then, we've made it a tradition to applaud all members when they arrive for meetings. It's tough not to smile with a greeting like that.

There's nothing more powerful for engaging and retaining members than a club that's vibrant, welcoming, and — yes — fun.

Think back to what drew you to Rotary. Chances are, it wasn't just the service projects or professional networking. It was the people — the friendships, the shared laughter, and the joy of working toward a common purpose. That's what keeps us coming back.

If you're looking for that sense of joy in your meetings, don't be afraid to ask yourself and your fellow members some tough questions. If you were a prospective member, would you join your current club? It's a powerful question but don't stop there.

Do members of your club feel that they belong? Are your meetings fun? If not, what can you do about it together?

At your next meeting or event, try something new to bring out a few extra smiles. It's the simple things that create lasting bonds and make clubs simply irresistible.



MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT contd/-

Here's one example of a club moving in the right direction. The Rotary Club of Fukushima, Japan, has been combining environmental responsibility with community fun since 2021. In Japan, people have made picking up trash into a sport known as SpoGomi, and every year the club hosts a game. This year, more than 400 participants cheered each other on while they came together to improve their community.

This event is an excellent example of how Rotary clubs can have fun, make a difference, and raise awareness for broader global challenges all at the same time. And the inclusive, family-friendly format allows people of all ages to participate.

When we enjoy what we do, that energy becomes contagious. It's what attracts new members and keeps our clubs strong and engaged. It helps people feel that they belong.

Retention and culture go hand in hand. The healthier our club culture, the more likely members are to stay. Rotary magazine is an outstanding resource for inspiration on how to enhance our club culture and deepen member engagement. I encourage you to explore the stories and strategies in these pages, drawing from other clubs' successes to find ideas that work for you.

Together, we can create a more engaged, enjoyable, and inclusive Rotary that every member can feel proud to be part of. Let's continue with renewed commitment and enthusiasm, living The Magic of Rotary.



RI SPECIAL OBSERVANCE THEME-Vocational Service - Scholarships By PP Rtn Adarsh Sakhuja

Vocational Service is the way Rotary promotes and supports the application of the ideal of service in the pursuit of all vocations and Rotarians can apply their vocational talents to address the problems and needs of society.

Vocational training provides skill-based learning and focuses on practical skills. Upon completion of the training a student would have gained the necessary knowledge and hands-on skills needed to perform specific tasks of an occupation. This directly benefits the students to get a regular source of income.

Students who are academically good but lack financial resources need different support to enter a vocation.

Rotary Club of Bombay Powai (RCBP) recognized this and have been providing Loan Scholarships for over 30 years

to students pursuing college education. Courses can be a university graduate or post graduate degree or a vocational course leading to a specific occupation such as Physiotherapy, Nursing, Computer Programming, Engineering, Medicine.....So far about 50 students have been provided such Loan Scholarships.

Loan Scholarships are zero interest loans to cover the college fee and allied expenses so that an academically deserving student can complete the course. Post completion on commencement of an earning the student is required to repay the principal loan amount in easy instalments to RCBP. This way the limited corpus of RCBP can be recouped, and more students can be helped.

The selection of applications is based on Merit-cum-Means i.e. the student should have above average academic performance in school courses and the family



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income should be inadequate to support the college course. RCBP monitors students' progress throughout the college course.

RCBP has experienced that in some academic years the number of applications far exceeded its allocated budget e.g. during Covid years.

In such cases we appealed to fellow Rotarians of RCBP and even families and friends of Rotarians for crowd funding. The prime objective being to help the deserving students we even approached other NGOs to extend help directly to the students.

I am fortunate to be associated with and serving this noble cause for many years in RCBP.





CSR SPECIAL – Happy Schools and Water Provisioning for tribals- By CSR Partner Antylia Scientific (formerly Cole-Parmer India Pvt. Ltd.)



Shaskiya Madahymik Asharam
Shala, Chafewadi, Karjat

We were very proud of our Happy Schools projects undertaken in the Rotary Miracle Year 2018-19, with the help of our benevolent CSR Partner in Service Antylia Scientific (formerly Cole-Parmer India Pvt. Ltd.) for tribal students in Z P Schools of Karjat, Palghar and Mumbai. We also delivered a high impact Water Provisioning project for tribals staying in Murbad taluka, Thane district.

14 needy schools were benefited by the Happy School projects implemented, making a positive impact to 10000 students, coming from poor tribal families or urban poor/ultra poor families. A small portion of the funds were used to undertake two Water Projects : First one to benefit all households in one village to get one water cart each (with water drums), reducing the daily pain & drudgery of women in fetching water carrying heavy vessels on head; In the second project a water pipe scheme was created for a village on a hillock, sourcing water from the downstream river, getting water to about 100 families.



Shaskiya Madahymik & Uch Madhyamik
Asharam Shala, Patraj, Karjat



CSR SPECIAL – Happy Schools and Water Provisioning for tribals- By CSR Partner Antylia Scientific (formerly Cole-Parmer India Pvt. Ltd.)

The term Happy School is coined by Rotary Organization for giving direction to it's constituents to do projects which can help to shape up children as next generation citizens with adequate infrastructure support in schools that cannot afford the same, but are otherwise well managed.

For selecting deserving schools for the projects RCBP followed two criteria... (a) School should have been well managed with evidence of good maintenance of present infrastructure, committed teachers and (b) The school should be either in a locality which is supported by an Rotary Community Corps (RCC) or one of the Rotarians should be in close connect with the school to be able to review the use of Rotary provided infrastructure. Keeping in mind the two criteria, RCBP selected 08 schools in Karjat area and 06 schools in Mumbai.

Shaskiye Ashram Shala, Pinglus, Karjat



Janata Vidya Mandir, Dahivali, Karjat



Swatantra Sainani Sainik
PD School, Dahivali, Karjat



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All the schools selected by RCBP in Karjat were strong, running for many years and were serving tribal students, the school in Palghar was serving children of migrant labour and other schools in Mumbai were serving children from poor or ultra-poor families. Many children belonged to single parent surviving from doing odd household jobs.

This was a brilliant partnership of Antylia Scientific (formerly Cole-Parmer India Pvt. Ltd.) along with Managing Partner Rotary Club of Bombay Powai under the leadership of Miracle President Rtn. Hanuman Tripathi and Members PPs Ameeta Vohra, Vivek Govilkar, Sunita Sainani and Rakesh Agarwal who got RCBP this CSR Partner... Implementation Partner Malati Vaidya Smriti Trust helped us execute all the projects in time. When such collaborations work impeccably, villages are uplifted and villagers and youth are transformed.

Water Scheme Provisioning
at Bhangwadi, Murbad



Donation Water Carts @ Lakudpada, Murbad

Milind Vidhyalaya, Aarey Village



RVESchool, Goreogan

Zilla Parishad School
Pinglus, Karjat





SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage- By Dr. Varsha Degwekar - MAKAR SANKRANTI

Majority of Indian States follow the Luni- Solar calendar Only Assam, Bengal, Kerala, Orissa , Punjab and Tamil Nadu follow the Solar calendar. **MAKAR SANKRANTI** (January) and the new year day in above states (April) are celebrated according to the Solar calendar in India.

And The Tradition Continues:

In a Maharashtrian household, the first day is called Bhogi. Next day is called Sankranti. Women wear black zari sarees and celebrate HALDI KUNKU by exchange of small gifts of household items and earthenware filled with sugarcane, til gud, winter vegetables called Sugade.

Little girls exchange a miniature replica of the same. The Unassuming oilseed- Sesame becomes the star- Til and Gud is made into Ladoo, Barfi, Gul poli. All this is served with Green gram khichadi and winter vegetables. The first Makar Sankranti of a newly married girl and Newborn are celebrated as Sankranti cha SAN and Bor Loot respectively.





SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage- By Dr. Varsha Degwekar - MAKAR SANKRANTI



As per the tradition, first year after marriage is very special for the newly weds and all festivals are celebrated by blessings showered by elders on the married couple. On their first Makar Sankranti after marriage, our Avani & Abhijeet were welcomed home and we had a celebration for them. Many friends did an aarti & haldi kumum blessing Avani for a long & prosperous married life.



Our joys increased multifold with the gift of becoming grandparents... the day our dear Grandson Abeer was born. He has been an apple of our eyes, a bundle of true joy and a blessing for us to relive many happy moments.... Abeer's first Makar Sankranti (Bor loot) was celebrated with lots of happiness by all in the family.





SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage- By Ameeta Vohra - LOHRI

Lohri is a popular Punjabi festival celebrated primarily in North India, especially in Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, and Delhi. It marks the end of winter and the arrival of longer days, coinciding with Makar Sankranti. The festival is observed on January 13th every year.

Significance of Lohri - Lohri is traditionally associated with the harvest of rabi crops, particularly sugarcane, wheat, and mustard. It is also linked to folklore, especially the story of Dulla Bhatti, a legendary Punjabi figure who helped rescue enslaved girls.

How is Lohri Celebrated - **Bonfire Ritual** - People gather around a bonfire in the evening, offering sesame seeds (til), jaggery (gur), popcorn, peanuts, and rewari to the flames while singing traditional songs. **Folk Songs & Dance** - People sing Punjabi folk songs, perform Bhangra and Gidda, and celebrate with joy. **Traditional Foods** - Special dishes Sarson da saag & makki di roti, til ladoo, gur sweets, gajak, and other winter delicacies.





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SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage- By Ameeta Vohra - LOHRI

Celebrating New Beginnings - Lohri is particularly special for newlyweds and newborn babies, who receive gifts and blessings. **Lohri in Different Regions:** In Punjab, it is celebrated with great enthusiasm by farmers. In Haryana and Delhi, families exchange sweets and gifts.

The first Lohri following a marriage or childbirth is a significant event, observed with heightened enthusiasm in Punjabi and North Indian families.



It signifies new beginnings, prosperity, and happiness for the couple or the newborn. We commemorated our grandson Reyansh's first Lohri on January 13th, 2021. Similarly, we celebrated my son Anuj's first Lohri with his wife on January 13th, 2024, to extend a warm welcome to the new family member. The festival embodies warmth, happiness, and community spirit, symbolizing hope, prosperity, and the joy of harvest.



SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage- Sindhi Recipes By Kiran Talreja

SINDHI WADI KI SABZI

Ingredients

1 medium potato 100 grams
Urad dal wadi
3 tablespoon oil
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cumin seeds
1 teaspoon ginger-garlic paste
2 medium onion chopped finely
3 large tomatoes pureed
2 teaspoon coriander powder
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon turmeric powder
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon red chilli powder
1 cup water
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon garam masala
Salt to taste
For garnish: Fresh coriander leaves



Method

Peel and quarter the potatoes.
Break the dal wadiyan into large pieces.
Heat oil in a pressure cooker.
Add wadi pieces and sauté them for 4 to 5 minutes or until they become brown.
Drain on tissue paper.
In the same oil add cumin seeds.
Add ginger-garlic paste and Onion. Fry until well brown.
Add tomatoes and all dry masalas. Mix well and fry till the oil separates out.
Now, add potatoes and wadis. Sauté for two minutes.
Add water and wait for 3 whistles on medium to slow flame.
Open the lid when the pressure has reduced completely.
Sprinkle garam masala powder and fresh coriander.
Serve hot with roti or white rice.

SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage- Sindhi Recipes By Kiran Talreja

KHOYO

Khoyo is a Sindhi winter specialty made with milk, khaskhas, nuts and ghee.

Ingredients

2 lit full fat milk
150 gm Khaskhas
15- 20 dried dates/ kharik
100 gm Almonds
80-100gm pistachios
100 gm Cashews
10 Green cardamoms
2 black cardamoms
75 gm of Dhaniya magaz
400 - 500 gm of sugar
1 Cup Ghee
1 gm Mace
A pinch of nutmeg powder



Method

1. Soak the poppy seeds in water for 5 - 6 hours.
2. In another bowl, soak the almonds in water for 5 hours. Peel the almonds and cut open each into 2.
3. Soak dried dates in lukewarm water for an hour or so, then deseed and slice each into large chunks
4. Roughly chop pistachios and cashew nuts.
5. Strain the poppy seeds and rinse a few times, using a tea strainer to catch the seeds.
6. Blend the poppy seeds coarsely using 2-3 tbsp of Ghee.
7. In a thick bottom pan add 2 lit of milk and add green cardamoms.
8. Add dried dates and continue cooking the mix on moderate heat. Keep stirring at frequent intervals.
9. In another pan, heat the remaining ghee and add the blended khaskhas paste.



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SANSKRITI- Art, Culture, Heritage- Sindhí Recipes By Kíran Talreja



10. Keep stirring and continue cooking at medium heat. When the color of the khaskhas changes to light pink, add cashews, almonds, pistachios and stir nicely. The khaskhas should be cooked till faint brown. Add dhaniya magaz and mix well. After half a minute switch off the flame and pour this mix in the milk and dates mixture. (Beware of the spluttering).

11. Add black cardamom, mace and nutmeg and allow the mix to simmer.

12. When the dates turn soft and the milk is almost completely reduced, add sugar. Continue cooking on low flame.

13. Cook till sugar is absorbed and the mix is dry

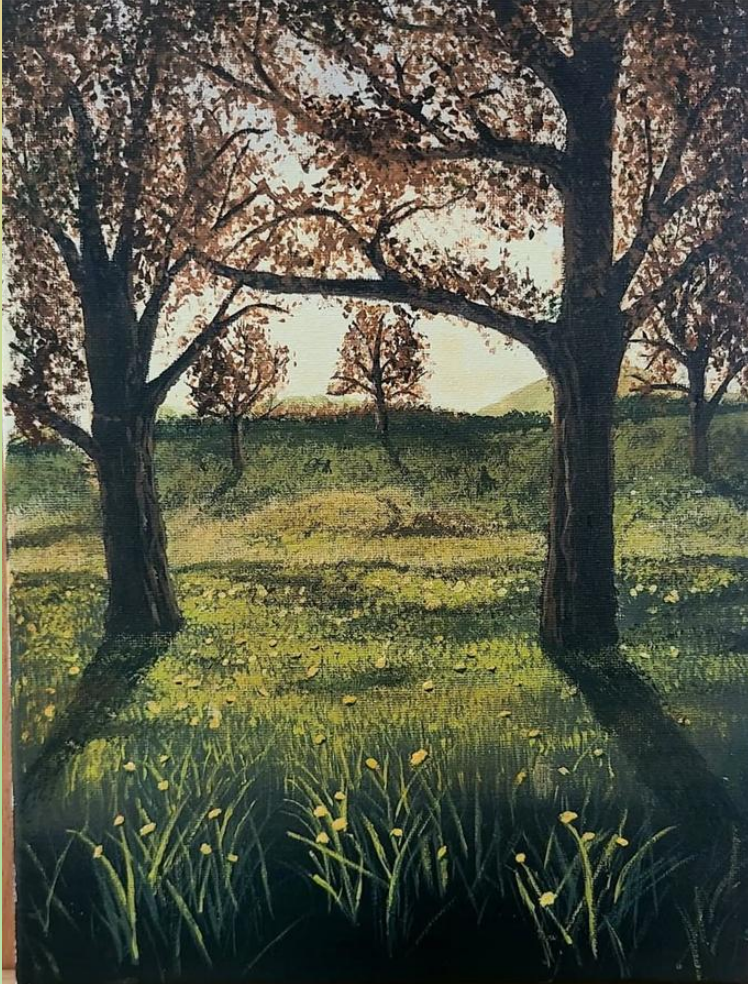
14. Garnish with more nuts and serve hot.



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ROTARY FAMILY- Unleashing Hidden Talent - By Vaibhav Govilkar



Unleashing Hidden Talent

Many of our Rotarian kids amaze us with their hidden talents. Vaibhav Govilkar is one such find, who has magical fingers, striking on a canvas, bringing life with colors on it and turning it into beautiful paintings.

Vaibhav started painting as a hobby for the first time during COVID lockdown in USA. Due to work from home, he could save the travel time in Bay area. He used this time to de-stress and develop this hobby.

His most painting are based on the photographs he himself has clicked while visiting other countries and location and few others are from the picture postcards which he has collected. He plans to continue in this endeavor as & when the time permits.

Paintings created by:
Vaibhav Govilkar
Son of Vivek & Savita Govilkar



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ROTARY FAMILY- Unleashing Hidden Talent - By Vaibhav Govilkar

Two more creations by Vaibhav Govilkar



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SUSH'S SURPRISE- *Wacky New Year Resolutions By Sushmita Chandra*

Dear Friends, we asked you to send in your wacky New Year Resolutions and here are the best!

I promise to exercise until I reach the point where I can't lose any more weight, or until the couch finds me, whichever comes first.

- Deepti Shah

My resolution is to not make any more resolutions!

- R Vanamali

I will become a superhero so that i can clean up the toys mess in a lightning speed before my mom comes screaming

- Aryaansha Shah

WINNER!!

To make such a dhamaka in the entertainment industry, that will force Amitabh Bacchan to FOLLOW me...

- **Ashok Singh**

New year resolutions are casual promises which i am in no condition to fulfill..... so, this year i plan to score 100/100 in all subjects (the impossible for me)

- Nihavi Shah

My resolution is never to share my resolutions with anyone!

-Latha Vanamali

(Editor's Note - Ah.... She broke this one!)

Make a placard and display on the wall, "Rest today, gain energy and start on your resolution from tomorrow."

Read aloud everyday and take rest!

- Cmdr Ramnath



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ROTARY IN ACTION- Medical Camps

Vibrant Year Medical Camps titled Aarogya supported by the CSR Initiative of L&T Realty and Larsen & Toubro Public Charitable Trust (LTPCT) are being conducted for the unorganized sector. 11 camps were conducted in December helping nearly 1000 beneficiaries and taking the count of community medical camps held in the Vibrant Year to 75.



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ROTARY IN ACTION- Distribution of Ideal Study Cards

RCBP tops the list in distribution of Ideal Study Cards to SSC students in RID 3141 as on December end.

With our distribution of 284 cards on December 23 to two schools in Kannamwar Nagar (Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Vidhyalaya and Vikas High School) and 938 cards on December 02 & 03 to schools in Vikramgad, Dist Palghar, we have been able to provide 1702 Ideal Study Application cards till end December.



This card is available in the market at Rs.1,500/card and as per the rate negotiated by the District, Rotary Clubs are getting this card at a rate of Rs.65/card. We thank our Implementation Partner, Amol and his team from Prism Solutions for the quick distribution including training the students in schools.

We thank Rtn. Gayatri Mishra Oleti and Larsen & Toubro Public Charitable Trust for supporting this initiative, providing CSR Support and distributing the Ideal Study application cards to 1162 students studying in 8 schools, Vikramgad, Dist: Palghar. RCBP has directly supported 540 students with this application in 5 schools, in & around Powai

**Total summary for IDEAL STUDY APP
Distributed in Taluka – Vikramgad, Dist – Palghar.**

Schools Name:
Handover done on 2nd December, 2024
 1. Shri Vinoy Gardi Vidyalaya, Alonde – 167 Students. (Girls – 75, Boys -92, Teacher – 0)
 2. Adarsh Vidyalay, Utavali – 90 Students. (Girls – 44, Boys -44, Teacher – 2)
 3. Chatrapati Vidyalay, Sakhare – 152 Students. (Girls – 73, Boys -77, Teacher – 2)
 4. Vikramgad Highschool – 295 Students. (Girls – 152, Boys -141, Teacher – 2)

Handover done on 3rd December, 2024
 5. ZP Highschool, Sarashi – 129 Students. (Girls – 60, Boys -63, Teacher – 0)
 6. ZP Highschool, Kegave – 56 Students. (Girls – 27, Boys -29, Teacher – 0)
 7. ZP Highschool, Behelpada – 49 Students. (Girls – 32, Boys -17, Teacher – 0)

Total :- 938 Coupons distributed.





ROTARY IN ACTION- Annapoorna Services

Annapoorna service for 150 children at Asha NGO was offered by Rtn. Gurmeet Sagu on Dec 02. Menu of the mid day meal was banana, samosa paav and sheera. Children enjoyed the delicious meal.



Annapoorna service at Little Sisters of the Poor on December 05. Menu for the day was Dal Rice, Soya Beans Curry and French Beans Sabji. Donors for the day were Mukesh and Meenu Bhargav.



Annapoorna service at Asha Sadan on December 04. Menu of the day was Dal, Rice and chicken curry. Donor for this service was Rtn. Kalpana Jai Shankar.



ROTARY IN ACTION- Annapoorna Services

Annapoorna service for 150 children at Asha NGO on Dec 06. Food served for the day was Aloo sabzi, puri and kheer. Donors were Pres. Susan and Rtn. Hanuman Tripathi.



Annapoorna service for 150 children at Asha NGO on Dec 11. Midday meal for the day was Milk, Banana and Sabudana Khichdi. Donors for the day were Rtn. Mukesh Bhargav and Meenu Bhargav.

Annapoorna service at Rathod Old Age Home on December 12. Menu for the day was Puri, Alu gravy, Bhindi, Dal, Chawal, Sabudana, Papad and Pickle. Sweet was Bundi and Juice was also served to the residents. Donors were Rtn. Kalpana and Rtn. Jaishankar. 39 sr citizens and 14 orphan children were served this delicious meal.





ROTARY IN ACTION- Annapoorna Services

Annapoorna at Asha NGO on December 14. Menu for the day was poha, milk and glucose biscuits. Rtn.Gurmeet, Rtn Latha and Rtn. Savita were present at the venue. Donor for the service was Ms. Jyoti Bajaj a non rotarian staying in Rtn. Ravinders society.



Annapoorna at Saidham on December 25. Breakfast and Lunch both were served to the residents. Menu for breakfast was Tea and Pohe. Lunch was Rice, Dal tadka, Gulab Jamun, Puri, Mix veg, Alu bhaji and Pickle. Donor for the service was Aryaman Tripathi, s/o President Susan Tripathi.

The monthly Annapurna project at SEED foundation was held on December 27. Menu for the day was Usal (sprouts with gravy) and Pav. Bananas too were served to the residents. Donor for the day was Dr Kamalini Pathak.





ROTARY IN ACTION- Annapoorna Services

Annapoorna at Nityanand Home was held on 28 th Dec. Breakfast was served to the residents. It was Poha and Frooti. Residents were thankful for the service



Visit on December 24 to Little Sisters of the Poor-Home for the Aged at Mahakali. We sang some Carols and played a round of Bingo. Apples and Bananas were distributed to the residents. Amaira (PE Anjus grand-daughter) sang Carols for them. We all joined her and sang as many carols as we could ending it with Jingle Bells. The prizes for Bingo (Steel Dabbas, T Shirts and Towels) and bananas were sponsored by Shagun (PE Anjus daughter), and the apples were sponsored by RCBP.

All the residents of the home won many prizes, they were very happy and have send their blessings to all the member families of RCBP. Amira, Shagun Shagun's mother-in-law, Sudha A., Smita M., Shashi P., Anju and myself joined in this project. We enjoyed being with the residents and were happy to give them have some moments of happiness..





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ROTARY IN ACTION- Solar Net Metering Project

RCBP recently visited two ZP schools in Murbad to review solar installations and net metering, implemented by Dr. Dhananjay and his team from Malati Vaidya Smriti Trust (MVST). The ZP School at Chasole, established in 1965, has 56 students, 3 teachers, and 1 contract teacher, with 9 solar panels providing a 3 KW+ capacity. The ZP School at Talegaon, founded in 1945, has 108 students, 3 teachers, and 1 contract teacher, with 11 solar panels of 3 KW+ capacity.

Larsen & Toubro Public Charitable Trust (LTPCT) has supported the initiative with ₹18.93 lakhs in CSR funding for rooftop on-grid solar net metering installations across 12 ZP schools. This project aims to alleviate the burden of high electricity costs. Six installations have been completed, and the remaining six will be finished by March 2025. The visit included Swati Singh (LTPCT), Dr. Dhananjay (MVST), Anju (PE), and Dr. Susan (President), with support from Rtn. Gayatri Mishra Oleti.





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ROTARY IN ACTION- Powai Fest - Carnival & Fun Street December 21, 2024

Our Carnival was an all inclusive one to showcase Service of Rotary. Member families of Rotary Club of Bombay Powai, in this Carnival walk, were joined by 3 Pink Autos and their Lady Drivers, 3 Paraplegics on wheelchairs, 5 Transgenders, Kids and teachers from the underprivileged schools we work with (Powai English, Rishi Valmiki, Ravi Kiran, ASHA), Kids from Hiranandani societies like Atlantis - Avalon - Glencroft buildings, CSR Partners, NGOs and residents of our community. There were performances displayed by all the children, transgenders. Many placards were carried by the walkers showcasing all the work and avenues that RCBP works in for the community. Our District Governor, Rtn. Chetan Desai and first lady Jwala Desai too joined us in this Carnival Walk This walk was to support Women Empowerment, Child Development and Inclusivity programs of RCBP. We had the Inclusive Sanskriti Carnival Walk, involving 3 lady drivers of Pink Autos, We concluded the walk by presenting the 5 wheelchairs to 4 beneficiary homes showcasing our motto of Rotary Service.





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Powai Fest 25 Fun Street event was inaugurated by Rotary District Governor Rtn. Chetan Desai and First Lady Jwala Desai in the presence of dignitaries from Rotary, CSR Partners and Sponsors. Fun Street was inaugurated with huge petal showers and Rotary Powai used this opportunity to take up handover of Five Wheels Chairs to needy NGOs.

We also held Voice of Powai awards ceremony and the Sapno ka Gullak initiative sponsored by CRISIL and aimed at promoting financial literacy and instilling savings habits in children.

Later the evening saw some of the top-class performances in Zumba, Garba, fire artists, Uni-cycle Artists and completed with an electrifying band to an audience of over 10k from 5pm to 10pm.

We thank our District Governor Rtn. Chetan Desai and First Lady Jwala Desai for gracing the occasion. Gratitude to Mr. Nidhish (L&T Realty), Rtn. Gayatri (LTPCT), Mr. Parveez (WNS), Rtn. Mani & Vidya (EPS), Mr. Umanath Mishra (CRISIL), Mr. Vyasmuni (Haiko), officials of Mahindra & Mahindra and Duroflex for joining us briefly for the event.





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