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“दान दीन को दीजिये, मिटे दरिद को पीर  
औषधि वाकों दीजिए, जाके रोग सरीर”



RCTNE wholeheartedly participates & supports in  
Community Support to TB Patients - Ni-kshay Mitra



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Dear fellow Rotary leaders:

As we begin a new year of service, let us not forget the importance of every one of Rotary's members.

We need your leadership now more than ever if we are to make every club and district an irresistible experience. Rotary has a chance to capture the world's attention and realize possibilities beyond our expectations. But we must build on the work that has come before us if we are to reach our goals, such as defeating polio and unlocking the power of girls and women.

Rotary offers people of action a chance to connect and find belonging, and this fellowship gives us the potential to improve our communities and the world. By following Rotary's Action Plan and helping make sure all members feel a sense of belonging in their club, you have a special opportunity to inspire members to new heights of service.

Our ability to create lasting change begins with our family of Rotary. Together, it is within our power to bring healing in a divided world.

Join me in making Rotary a source of strength for those who need it most, within and beyond our membership. Let this be the year we harness *The Magic of Rotary*, and let Rotary be known as an organization that takes care of its members as well as the people we serve.

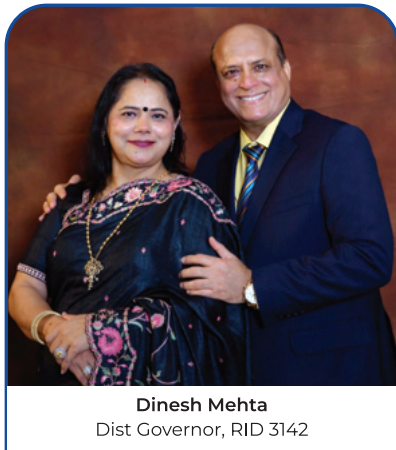
It is within your power to help make Rotary a beacon of goodwill and fellowship in every community.

Remember that your work can and will change the world with *The Magic of Rotary*.

Warm regards,

Stephanie A. Urchick  
Rotary International President, 2024-2025

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**Dinesh Mehta**  
Dist Governor, RID 3142

### **District Governor Dinesh Mehta's Message for Club Bulletin**

Dear Awesome President Suresh Srinivasan and members of the Rotary Club of Thane Northend,

Greetings to all of you!!!

As we approach the end of another remarkable and Excellent Rotary Year, we prepare to welcome new leadership and embrace fresh opportunities to serve. Rotary's strength lies in its ability to adapt, evolve and inspire through the commitment of its members.

July 1st, 2024 marks the advent of a new Rotary year - the Awesome Year.

It was legendary American President Abraham Lincoln who said " If you give me six hours to chop down a tree, I will spend the first four hours sharpening the axe " This is what Rotary Learning Facilitates for all of us. It prepares us for the Leadership role we are about to take on in the new Rotary Year.

Let's begin the year with renewed energy and dedication. We now have goals and plans in place and it is now time to execute them to perfection.

Friends, only if there is Magic in Rotary, will you find it awesome to be a Rotarian and only though Awesome service will there be Magic in Rotary. I urge you, therefore, to develop an Awesome Mindset for yourself to create the Magic in Rotary

The District has designed an awesome 31 Readymade Projects , which every Club is free to choose from

These are

1. The Eight MEGA Projects
2. The First Lady led COLS CPR Project
3. TB MukT RID 3142, An initiative of GOI
4. The unique 12 Amrit Mahotsav Challenges
5. The Mega Mental Health, unique, initiative
6. The Eight JDS led Events
7. The Annapurna Project that commences 1st July 2024

In addition, in our drive to create Magic in Rotary, we should strive to ensure that every Rotarian donates at least \$ 75 to the Rotary Foundation and enthuses at least one new member to ask to be invited to join Rotary

The Key is not the Will to Win, ... everybody has that. To be a Winner, you must Plan to win, prepare to win and expect to win and to remember that Success is not final, Failure is not fatal but it is the courage to continue that counts.

I truly believe that nothing of major significance is achieved by doing small acts of kindness. It is through impactful projects that make a substantial and visible difference to the life of the community that Rotary will truly gain respect.

As President, learn to embrace the journey, trust the process and believe in your abilities. Dream Big, work hard and surround yourself with good people.

Always remember that the only impossible journey is the one you never began and that what you do has far greater impact than what you say

Jyoti joins me in wishing you and the members of the Rotary Club .... a truly AWESOME Year.

Yours truly

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Suresh Srinivasan  
President

My dear family members of The Rotary Club of Thane Northend,  
Rotary Pranam from me and my wife, Pratibha,

It is with great humility and profound gratitude that I stand before you today as the Awesome Year President of our esteemed Rotary Club, The Rotary Club of Thane Northend. This honor is not just a recognition of my efforts, but a testament to the collective spirit and dedication of each member of this club. Together, we embody the very essence of Rotary's motto: "Service Above Self." I accept to take this responsibility and take this club to greater heights.

Firstly, I want to express my sincere thanks to the Excellent President, Shyam Madiwale, whose leadership and commitment have steered us through an extraordinary year. Your guidance has been instrumental, and your accomplishments have set a high bar for us all. Let's give a round of applause for his hard work and dedication.

As we embark on this new Rotary year, I envision a few key goals for us, my RCTNEians: Strengthening Community Engagement: Let's deepen our ties with local organizations, schools, and businesses. By collaborating more closely, we can identify and address the pressing needs of our community more effectively. I am about to close the proposal for grants for the overall redevelopment of a needy group of hamlets, shall share details in our Assembly later. When it fructifies, this will be a project spread over several years.

Enhancing Global Impact: While our local projects are crucial, we must not lose sight of our global mission. We will continue to support projects that align with Rotary's areas of focus, from promoting peace to supporting education and fighting disease not limiting us within District 3142 but by going far and wide to address community needs. We are in

the midst of rolling out a very large project in another state of India and I shall share details about this too in due course

Embracing Innovation: The world is changing rapidly, and so must we. Let us leverage technology to improve our outreach, streamline our operations, and create more impactful service projects. Our PR, PI and Media interaction plans are well in place and we will use all means to project the greatness of Rotary. As committed to District Chair, Yakub, we will strive to achieve all the goals.

Growing the Family : We have committed to the District that we will grow by 17% and we stick to it. Today we have three inductions, very qualified esteemed professionals and we will get more as we go into the year

I have an action plan for all these, largely based on the huge platter of ready made projects that our Awesome District team under DG Dinesh Mehta has planned for us. While I have shared most of it with you, we will keep adding to it as the year passes. I have assured my DG that almost all goals under the Amrutmohotsav plans will be achieved by RCTNE.

The responsibility of running a club alongwith our Corporate and personal responsibilities is a daunting task,

*उडा देती है नींदें क्लब की जिम्मेदारियां*

*रात को जागने वाला हर शख्स आशिक नहीं होता*

My dear RCTNEians today, I stand before you to celebrate the extraordinary power of magic and unicorns in fostering community development. While some may view these concepts as mere fantasies, I invite you to consider their profound impact on our collective imagination and their potential to transform our communities.

Firstly, magic symbolizes the boundless creativity and innovation that drives progress. Just as a magician conjures wonders from thin air, our communities can harness creativity to solve problems and inspire change. Whether it's developing sustainable technologies or creating vibrant cultural initiatives, embracing the magic of creativity unlocks endless possibilities for community growth.

Unicorns embody uniqueness and individuality within our communities. You cannot define them. Nowadays there is a trend to mention He/him or She/her before their names in major groups, this is more

because of an internal lack of confidence perhaps, but we as Rotarians, can and should look beyond that. Each unicorn is a symbol of diversity and inclusivity, reminding us that strength lies in our differences. By celebrating diversity and fostering inclusivity, we create stronger, more resilient communities where every voice is heard and valued.

In conclusion, the power of magic and unicorns in community development lies not in their mythical nature, but in the transformative values they represent. They remind us of the importance of creativity, inclusivity, and unity in shaping vibrant and thriving communities. So, let us embrace the magic within ourselves, nurture the uniqueness of each individual like a unicorn's grace, and together, let us build a community where dreams flourish and every person can contribute their magic to create a brighter future.

My dear club members, I am confident that, with your support and active participation, we can achieve these goals and more. Each one of you bring unique skills, perspectives, and passions to our club. It is through the collaboration and commitment of every

member that we can truly make a difference.

*मुश्किलें ज़रूर है, मगर ठहरा नहीं हूँ मैं  
मंजिल से जरा कह दो, अभी पहुंचा नहीं हूँ मैं*

*कदमों को बांध न पायेंगी मुसीबत की जंजीरें  
रास्तों से जरा कह दो, अभी भटका नहीं हूँ मैं*

*साथ चलता है ये मेमबरो का काफिला,  
किस्मत से जरा कह दो, अभी तन्हा नहीं हूँ मैं*

I encourage each one of you to share your ideas, take on leadership roles, and inspire others to join our cause. Let us be a beacon of hope and a catalyst for positive change in our community and beyond.

I am reminded of the words of Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary, who said, "Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves." Let us strive to achieve results that we can all be proud of.

Thank you and let us have fun while serving the community !

Wishing all of us an AWESOME Year !

### Know Your President

Suresh Srinivasan, a multi faceted personality, an HR professional, counsellor, mentor, angel investor, roadie, traveller and many more.

A post graduate in HR, having more than 36 years of experience in Multi National Companies, having performed leadership roles in Companies like Britannia, Wockhardt, USV, Baskin Robbins, etc. his last role was as Chief Human Resource Officer for the Korean conglomerate Lotte, where he facilitated the acquisition of Havmor Ice Cream by Lotte. He has now got into Consulting full time and right now he is in the midst of facilitating the acquisition of a leading Chemicals distribution company by a Dutch Company.

Having worked in almost every state of India from the deep interiors of Jharkhand to Mumbai, Suresh is a sought after professional to solve Industrial Relations issues in manufacturing facilities.

Avid roadies, Suresh and his spouse, Pratibha, have covered almost the entire India on road driving their SUV. Any trip to any place, their first choice is by road. They enjoy international travel too, Suresh and Pratibha have visited 20 countries till now and plan to cover as many as possible.

Pratibha is a Reiki exponent, deep into Bhajans and Carnatic music, she is also a Past President of the Inner Wheel Club of Thane Northend.

They have two sons, Akshay and Aditya, both engineers, with an MS from US Universities and are now in the US, at Boston and Cleveland. Both the sons are married, and their spouses are also with them in the US.

*Suresh appears always happy, fun loving with a sharp sense of humour, he ensures people around him are also happy and has the capability to take a team along. We wish him all the best for his Presidential Year.*





## Excellent Year Greetings

Dear friend, it's was my pleasure and i enjoyed the Presidentship of the Club.

We started our year with four projects and then the project list went on and on. Club tour to Vietnam was the attraction. International picnic is our best fellowship and bonding activity. We achieved our all flagship project like DKL( Dharti Ke Lal ), Rotary Center, Architectural RYLA, NBA, NID, Fundraising Program any Many Others.

New project we have started this year is **NAV DURGA** 9 day we have donated different items to the needy people. The members took the responsibility of each day. Thanks to all DURGAs of the club.

My wife, First Lady Sharmila and I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to the board members, committee chairs, and every member of our club and their families for your collaboration and enthusiasm throughout this year. Your tireless efforts have been instrumental in the success of our initiatives and programs.

Yours In Rotary  
Dilip(Shyam) Madiwale  
Club President 2023-24

## Know Your Secretary

Bhavana Wani

We are excited to introduce our new Secretary, Bhavana Wani, who brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to our Rotary Club of Thane Northend. Bhavana graduated with a degree in Physics and has since ventured into the business world with her husband, focusing on renewable energy generation.

Traveling is one of Bhavana's greatest passions. She has explored around 22 countries so far and loves immersing herself in new places and cultures. Additionally, she enjoys making new friends and building lasting relationships.

Bhavana is a Charter Member of the Innerwheel Club of Thane Northend and has been recognized with the prestigious Golden ISO Award in 2014-15. Her leadership skills were further acknowledged when she served as the President of the club in 2022-23.

Bhavana's family is equally accomplished. Her husband, Vijay Wani, is a past president of the

Rotary Club of Thane North End (RCTNE) and has also served in various district posts. Her daughter, Shalaka, and son-in-law, Chinmay, work at Amazon in Seattle, while her son, Gaurav, after graduating in engineering, has joined Bhavana and Vijay in their renewable energy business.

Bhavana and her family bring a dynamic and vibrant energy to our club. We look forward to her contributions in the coming year.



## Know Your Treasurer

P.N. Ramesh was born in the gold mining town of Kolar Gold Fields in Karnataka, near Bangalore.

He did his schooling in KGF and then joined Malnad College of Engineering to complete a course in Mechanical Engineering.

He then joined ONGC in the Drilling department and has worked for 35 years in the oilfield.

He has worked with Drilling companies in the field in all positions and then switched to operator companies and worked as the Company Man on their oil rigs.

Ramesh has worked in India, Philippines and UAE.

Ramesh joined Rotary Club of Thane Northend in 2007, and has held many positions in the club. He has supported the club in all its projects and activities.

Ramesh has visited the One Rotary centre and attended a meeting at the first Rotary

Club in the world. He has also attended the meeting of many other Rotary Clubs in USA. He was President of the Club in the year 2021-2022. He has held many positions in the District.

Ramesh is married to Bhuma and have one son Dhananjay.

Bhuma and Ramesh are level 1 Major donors. Thank you





## ARCHITECTURE RYLA - FLAGSHIP PROJECT OF RCTNE

The Rotary Club of Thane Northend organized a two day program called Advait – Thematic RYLA on Architecture held at Balasaheb Thakarey Sabhagruha, Thane on 22nd and 23rd June 2024. The event was formally inaugurated by Chief Guest AKSM PDG B.M. Sivarraj by lighting up the lamp. The Chief Guest in his speech motivated the students by his words of wisdom.

Had presentations from acclaimed Architects Ar. Suesh Babu, Ar. Vivek Bhole which were well appreciated by the attendees. Er. Anirudh Nakhwa delivered a fantastic presentation on heritage assets conservation. Our RCTNE member Ar. Rtn. Hemant Arora presented on Funicular and Aerial Ropeways projects he has worked upon. The well-known motivational speaker Vilas Mungekar chipped in with his speech on motivation and self-belief.

The students were divided into different groups, were explained competition assignment. The groups were working on design competition post the session. The notable juries were well-known Architects from Thane, Ar. Mukund Godbole, Ar. Sushil Sule, Ar. Shrreyas Saramalkar and

Ar. Shraddha. The use of Artificial Intelligence into every assignment was well appreciated by every Jury member. The Juries even complimented on the confidence of some of the students when presenting and team work which gave them the edge during assessment.

The third award went to the team of Girls called 'Pratadhi' from J.J. School of Arts, Mumbai, team leader Saumya Kenkare. The second award went to the team 'Sthapatya' from Vishwa Niketan, Khopoli, team leader Prathamesh Sankpal. The first award was bagged by Team 'Jabardast' again from J.J. School of Arts, Mumbai, team leader Neel Oswal.

The prestigious RYLA King and RYLA Queen awards were given to Prathamesh Sankpal and Pranjal Kapre. The Chief Guest AKSM PDG B.M. Sivarraj handed over the awards to the winning teams. The Architectural RYLA is a brainchild of Ar. Rtn. Hemant Arora who was a project convenor along with Rtn. Pallavoor Ramesh. RCTNE president Rtn. Dilip Madiwale and the team provided the necessary support to make this RYLA a big hit.



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