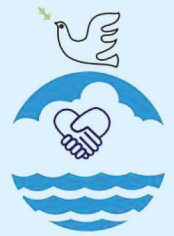




# ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY SEAFACE CLUB BULLETIN



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## A Year of Purpose, Compassion, and Collective Impact



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NAMASTE !!


At the beginning of the year, we set out with clarity of purpose to design projects that responded meaningfully to the needs of the underprivileged in our community, while aligning them with the District Focus Areas envisioned by District Governor Dr. Manish Motawani. What followed was not merely execution, but an inspiring journey of commitment, collaboration, and compassion. It is deeply fulfilling to share that we have accomplished almost everything we planned, and in that spirit of service, have gone even further, embracing many more initiatives alongside our ongoing projects.

Healthcare remained a cornerstone of our efforts. A series of health camps were conducted with a strong emphasis on awareness, prevention, early diagnosis, and cure. Women's health was given special focus through initiatives such as Pap smear tests and sonography, enabling early detection of cervical and breast cancer. These efforts were strengthened by the extraordinary generosity of our highest donor, Rtn. Nilesh Suchak, and the dedicated efforts of Past President Dr. Pankaj Parekh. Together, they made possible a large-scale HPV vaccination project that has already benefited over five hundred girls and women.

In addition, Nileshbhai's contribution extended to funding critical medical equipment a biological safety cabinet for the safe preparation of chemotherapy drugs and an infusion pump for administering chemotherapy. These life-saving equipments are being donated to the Heal Park Clinic at Dalvi Hospital, an exclusive chemotherapy centre, with installation scheduled shortly. Such contributions do more than support infrastructure they strengthen hope and healing. Education and empowerment have remained central to our mission. Our ongoing projects at Yusuf Meherally School, SVRR, and Akshargnyan continue to nurture young minds. Smart classes, computers, and laptops

have been introduced to bridge the digital divide and enhance learning experiences. A new computer lab with ten laptops is being inaugurated at Vanita Vishram School, and computers along with a laptop are being handed over to Wilson School, reinforcing our commitment to accessible and modern education. The vision of empowering women, shared by District Governor Manish and our team, is taking tangible shape through the Pink Auto project. This initiative aims to create livelihood opportunities and financial independence for women beneficiaries. Encouragingly, support from members has already enabled funding for several pink autos, with more contributions expected, bringing this dream closer to reality.

Our Annapurna Project continues to serve nutritious meals every week to children at Chandaramji School in South Mumbai. This simple yet impactful initiative ensures that no child is deprived of nourishment, reinforcing our belief that care begins with the basics. Recognizing the growing importance of mental health, especially among young adults and children, we organized digital de-addiction awareness sessions across schools. Our remedial centres at Vanita Vishram and Wilson High School continue to support children with learning disabilities, offering them guidance, patience, and a chance to thrive. Our work has also extended to improving essential infrastructure. Water solutions have been planned for schools in Shahpur, ensuring access to safe drinking water. Through CSR support from IPCA, the KalaKruti project at Palghar has been strengthened, providing vocational training to tribal students and opening pathways to self-reliance. With the dedicated efforts of Past President Nirmal Doshi and CSR support from Narayana Hrudalaya, toilet blocks have been constructed in multiple schools, particularly benefiting girl students. Additional sanitation projects are being undertaken with CSR India Grants, including facilities at Kheradi village in Silvassa and another initiative at ISKCON Chowpatty, further enhancing hygiene and dignity. CSR support has continued to flow, reflecting trust in our work. Contributions from Solacis Marine, facilitated by Rtn. Abhay Bhalerao, will support pediatric surgeries, while another CSR India Grant will aid children who are both visually and hearing impaired. Each initiative expands the circle of care, touching lives in meaningful ways. Our participation in Rotary Service Week was marked by energy and scale. We led significant initiatives in breast and cervical screening and projects for the specially abled, in the presence of Rotary International President and District Governor Manish. The entire week reflected the enthusiasm of our members, with every moment captured in a vibrant exchange of activities, ideas, and impact. Behind this success lies the strength of our extended Rotary family our Partners in Service who have worked tirelessly alongside us. Our Interact and Rotaract Clubs have been equally dynamic, contributing through various projects and celebrating their journeys with grand installations. Our RCC at Palghar continues to remain actively engaged in community service. Membership has remained a key focus. Guided by the vision of DG Manish, we have successfully retained every member, achieving full retention while also welcoming new

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Acquaintance  
**Fellowship**  
Connections Ideas Opportunity  
Action Fair Respectful Ethical  
Expertise  
**Integrity**  
Accountability Honor  
Understanding International  
**Diversity** Youth  
Membership Commitments United  
Community Education Health  
Vocational  
**Service**  
Economy Club Scholarship Friendship  
Relationships Development  
**Leadership**  
Sincere Responsible Professional

members into our fold. The return of a Past President further strengthens the bond that defines our club. We continue to believe deeply in Rotary Connect. Collaborative projects and joint meetings with fellow clubs have reinforced partnerships and broadened our reach. Our fireside meetings, led by Membership Director Rtn. Purna Mehta, have created warm spaces for interaction, where seasoned members and newcomers come together to share, learn, and connect. Fellowship remains the heartbeat of our club. Celebrations during Diwali and the New Year brought members together in joy and camaraderie. A memorable fellowship trip to Sri Lanka combined connection with service, where we engaged with multiple Rotary Clubs and exchanged ideas and goodwill. Thoughtfully planned by Fellowship Director Rtn. Pinki Dalal, the experience strengthened bonds and broadened perspectives. Our regular meetings have been enriched by distinguished speakers from diverse fields, bringing knowledge, inspiration, and meaningful dialogue. Under the leadership of Club Service Director Rtn. Parul Mody, these gatherings have been both engaging and enlightening. A new approach to vocational excellence awards has brought recognition into our regular meetings, blending appreciation with interaction. We had the privilege of honoring renowned personalities such as Subhash Ghai, Mohit Suri, Komal Nahta, and Aarsh Vora, along with unsung heroes and the Advocate General of Maharashtra, Milind Sathe. These moments have celebrated excellence across fields

while inspiring our members. Our Global Grant initiative continues to support children undergoing cancer treatment at Tata Memorial Hospital. With contributions steadily growing, the grant has reached an impressive eighty-eight thousand dollars, with the goal of crossing one hundred thousand. This achievement reflects the relentless efforts of Past President Rtn. Yogesh Parikh, Rtn. Arun Shah, Past President Rtn. Leena Shah, Rtn. Tejal Gandhi and Past President Rtn. Hemant Shah, supported by generous donors. Our contribution to the Annual Fund has also seen remarkable growth, rising far beyond initial expectations, with a shared aspiration to reach a significant milestone through collective generosity. Looking ahead, we are preparing to open another charitable dispensary at New Marine Lines, expanding our healthcare outreach and continuing the legacy of service established at Sir Mangaldas Physiotherapy Centre, Banganga. Together, these efforts have translated into projects valued at over three crores, each one representing lives touched, needs met, and hope restored. As we celebrate four decades of this remarkable journey, we do so with gratitude for the vision and dedication of our Past Presidents and members who built this legacy. The upcoming Charter Night promises to be a memorable celebration of this shared journey, thoughtfully planned by President Elect and Director Special Projects Bhuvan. This year stands as a testament to what can be achieved when purpose meets passion, and when service is guided by empathy. With every initiative, every partnership, and every life impacted, we reaffirm a simple yet powerful belief—that together, we can create change that truly matters.

## Holi Celebration with SVRR Trainees

On 10th March, the Rotary Club of Bombay Seaface celebrated a unique and heartwarming Holi with flowers alongside the trainees of SVRR. The joy and enthusiasm on their faces made the occasion truly special and deeply fulfilling for all present. PP Rtn Rajen and Rupa Desai, PP Rtn Dr. Gool Ghadiali, PP Rtn Purna Mehta, IPP Rtn Minal, Rtn Preeti Joshi, R'ann Gopi, and other members joined in the celebration, sharing moments of happiness and togetherness. A lunch was also served to all the trainees, adding warmth to the afternoon. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to PP Rajen and Rupa Desai for initiating this beautiful project in 2017 and for nurturing it with unwavering dedication and love over the years.



## HPV Vaccination Drive Second Dose Successfully Completed

On 10th March, RCSF successfully administered the second dose of the HPV vaccine to eligible girl students and female teachers at Chanda Ramji School and Vanita Vishram School. This initiative marks a significant step towards promoting the health and well-being of young girls in our community. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated medical team Dr. Pankaj Parekh, Dr. Meena Vora, and Dr. Shruti Vora for their invaluable support in the successful execution of this project. We also sincerely thank Rtn. Anil Popat for ensuring the smooth and timely supply of medicines. A special note of appreciation goes to Rtn. Nilesh Suchak for generously funding this impactful initiative. Your support enables us to continue making a meaningful difference in the community.



## HPV Vaccination Drive Second Dose Successfully Completed

RCSF proudly inaugurated a computer lab at Vanita Vishram School yesterday, with the generous support of the Vedanta Foundation. Equipped with 10 laptops, this initiative aligns with one of the District's key thrust areas Urban Vocational Skill Development aimed at empowering students with essential digital skills. The inauguration was graced by PDG Rtn Nitin Mangaldas, President Rtn Sonal Doshi, PP Rtn Dr. Gool Ghadiali, PP Rtn Deepak Khambhati, PP Rtn Dr. Pankaj Parekh, Rtn Arun Shah, Rtn Preeti Joshi, and Rtn Nilesh Suchak. Rtn Rajesh Agarwal from RC of Bombay Airport, whose efforts were instrumental in executing this impactful project, was also present. A special thanks to Rtn Nilesh Suchak for helping initiate this meaningful project. President Rtn Pragna Mehta and Secretary Rtn Manish from RC of Bombay Airport also attended, highlighting the strong collaboration behind this initiative. This is a joint effort by RC of Bombay Sea Face, RC of Bombay Airport, Vanita Vishram School, and the Vedanta Foundation. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Taher Bohra and Mr. Rizwan Naik of Vedanta Foundation for their invaluable support in setting up this computer lab, which will benefit numerous students and enhance their learning opportunities.



## A Proud OCV Moment

On 21st March, we had a well-attended and engaging OCV meeting. The proceedings began with a closed-door interaction between the District team and our Board, where members openly shared their views and concerns with the District Governor, making it a highly interactive session. District Governor Dr. Manish Motawani, CC Monica Grover, DS Aditya Singh, AG Navnit Ajmera, Ajit Dubey, along with other district dignitaries, graced the occasion with their presence. This was followed by a meeting with our Partners in Service, where all Interact Clubs and RCC members presented their reports with great enthusiasm. During the Club Assembly, President Sonal Doshi presented a brief overview of the club's activities so far, along with the plans for the future. The Official Club Visit was a meaningful and productive review of the club's performance, highlighting its commitment to service, compliance, and impactful projects. It provided an excellent platform for open dialogue, reflection, and guidance from the District leadership. The visit not only validated the efforts of the team but also motivated everyone to aim higher and strengthen future initiatives. The District Governor Dr. Manish Motwani expressed satisfaction with the work and certified the club as a 100% compliant club. He also shared a few valuable suggestions, which have been noted and will be worked upon. President Sonal Doshi sincerely thanks each and every member for their continuous support to her and the team in successfully executing the plans and projects. The DG also appreciated the dedicated efforts of Inspire President Sonal Doshi, along with Rtn. Bhuvan Ajmera, the President Elect and Director Special Projects. A special thanks to Rtn. Gopi Ajmera, and Rtn. Nisha Shah for the excellent arrangements and delicious food for the meeting.



## 7th Fireside Meeting on 23rd March

Rtn. Purna Mehta was delighted to host a memorable Mahjong soiree at her residence. Sixteen enthusiastic participants brought warmth and camaraderie to the gathering. It is heartening to note that a generous contribution of ₹52,000/- was raised, which will be utilized towards supporting schools serving underprivileged students. Heartfelt thanks to all participants, with a special mention to the charming Rotarian daughters who added an extra layer of joy to the afternoon. Sincere appreciation to PP Kalpana Khira for her valuable support in organizing the game. Gratitude to Rotarians Daksha, Arti, Minal, Parul, Bhavana, and new member Sonal for managing the delicious food and delightful arrangements. Special thanks to Rtn. Swati and Rtn. Ashish for the lovely lucky draw prizes. Special appreciation to Leena Shah, Swati Shah, Harsha Mazmundar, Jigna Shah, Dina Shah, Harsha Ghadiali, and Nisha for their presence, encouragement, and contribution to the event. Above all, sincere thanks to President Sonal for inspiring and extending full support to this innovative Fireside Meeting. Contributions received:

PP Yogeshbhai & Geetaben – ₹5,000 Rtn. Pragati – ₹5,000 Puja (daughter of Yogeshbhai) – ₹2,500 Vidhi (daughter of IPP Minal) – ₹1,500 President Sonal – ₹1,500 Priti Joshi – ₹1,500 Anil Kumta – ₹1,500 Vibha Kapadia – ₹1,500 A truly meaningful and joyful gathering with a noble cause at its heart.



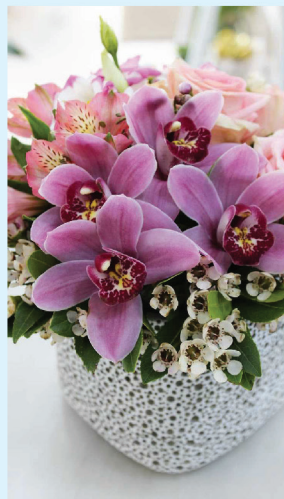
## Lights, Camera, Fellowship!

This Sunday, the Rotary Club of Bombay Seaface swapped meetings for movie magic and what a fun switch it turned out to be! Around 60 Rotarians and their guests gathered at Eros Cinema for a fellowship outing to watch Dhurandhar 2. From the moment the lights dimmed to the final credits, the energy in the theatre said it all this was not just a movie, it was a shared experience. There were gasps, whispered reviews mid-film (of course!), and plenty of post-movie discussions that carried well beyond the theatre doors. Some came for the film, some for the company but everyone left with both. Fellowship like this is a gentle reminder that Rotary isn't only about service; it's also about these moments of connection, laughter, and simply enjoying each other's company. All in all, a blockbuster Sunday, a la Rotary style!



## BIRTHDAY

DATE	NAME
3rd March, 2026	Yogesh Shah
5th March, 2026	Yogesh Dani
7th March, 2026	Preeti Mardia
10th March, 2026	Dina Shah
16th March, 2026	Harsha Majumdar
22nd March, 2026	Anil Kumta
24th March, 2026	Bijal Doshi
29th March, 2026	Harsha Ghadiali
30th March, 2026	Snehal Sanghvi
31st March, 2026	Milan Balkrishna
31st March, 2026	Kulin Kothari



## ANNIVERSARY

DATE	NAME
2nd March, 2026	Sanjay & Saloni
9th March, 2026	Bipin & Sunita
20th March, 2026	Kalpana & Anil