



### *President's Column:*

## Harish Chandarana

President 2024-2025

### **Embracing a Vibrant Future**

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

The month of March has been truly eventful and memorable for the Rotary Club of Borivli, marked by two major highlights that have left a lasting impression on all of us.

Firstly, we had the privilege of hosting the annual District Conference, which was a landmark event this year as it was jointly hosted with our neighbouring district. The collaboration brought in a new energy and broadened our horizons. The conference was meticulously organized, featuring a stellar lineup of speakers who inspired us with their stories, insights, and commitment to service. From engaging sessions on leadership and sustainability to impactful panel discussions on community development, the event was both informative and invigorating. It also provided a wonderful platform to connect with

fellow Rotarians across districts, fostering camaraderie and opening avenues for future collaborations.

The second marquee event was our international picnic to Azerbaijan, which saw 20 enthusiastic couples embark on a journey of discovery and fun. We explored the cultural richness and scenic beauty of Baku, Quba, and Gabala. Each location had its unique charm, but the crowning moment was undoubtedly our frolicking on the snow-covered mountains of Gabala. The laughter, the bonding, and the shared experiences in the midst of such picturesque settings made the trip truly unforgettable. It was a beautiful reminder that Rotary is not only about service but also about fellowship and creating joyful memories together.

Alongside these major events, our weekly initiative of feeding expectant mothers continued every Saturday, bringing smiles and support to those in need. Several other ongoing service projects also moved forward during the month, the highlights of which are showcased in the pictorial gallery section of this bulletin.

As we reflect on the month gone by, Sonal and me extend our heartfelt thanks to each one of you for your unwavering support, dedication, and enthusiasm. Together, we continue to make a difference.

**Harish Chandarana**

President.



### **Project of the Month**

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### *Maternal and Child Health Month: A Rotary Commitment to a Healthier Future*

Globally, Rotary clubs have initiated numerous impactful projects, from providing essential vaccines and nutritional supplements to training healthcare workers in remote areas. Rotary's commitment to maternal and child health is evident in partnerships with organizations like UNICEF and WHO, aiming to reduce child mortality and improve maternal care.

India continues to grapple with high maternal and child mortality rates, especially in rural regions though there has been a dramatic improvement over the years. Rotary India has been at the forefront through initiatives like the "Rotary India Literacy Mission," which integrates health education, and the "Rural Health Project," focusing on providing medical care, awareness programs, and basic healthcare infrastructure.

Our Club is deeply conscious of this issue.

Every Saturday, around 500 expectant mothers and their companions are treated to a nourishing lunch as they visit Shatabdi Hospital for their routine check-ups. This simple yet impactful initiative not only ensures that these women receive proper nutrition, which is vital for both their health and that of their unborn children but also provides a sense of community support. It is a small step that makes a significant difference.

As Rotary members, we are not just donors; we are advocates, volunteers, and change-makers. This April, let us renew our commitment to maternal and child health, recognizing that every life we help save contributes to a brighter, healthier future for all.

**K.V. Premraj**

Club Trainer



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Adventures in Azerbaijan: From Sunlit Streets to Snowy Peaks!"



**The Rotary Club of Borivli (RCB) went for an international picnic to Baku, Azerbaijan.**

It was a memorable experience for all participants. A total of 19 couples and 2 guest couples were part of this journey, filled with adventure, exploration, and unforgettable moments.

The trip was in three parts. The first three days were spent in Baku, the capital city of Azerbaijan. The next two days were in Quba and the last leg was in Gabala. The hotels where the group was accommodated were top class.





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The weather we encountered was brilliant. From balmy breezy days to chilly evenings the full range of warm clothes carried came out for display.

The group enjoyed the stunning sights of Baku, from its modern architecture to its rich cultural heritage. Visit to the snow-capped peaks of Gabala was an exciting experience. Encountering and playing in the snow was a first-time experience for many in the group.

Cooks flown in from Mumbai helped dish out Gujarati and Jain cuisine for the group.

The members bonded over shared experiences, creating memories that will last a lifetime. The trip was a perfect blend of learning, fun, and fellowship, allowing everyone to relax, explore, and build stronger connections with each other.

*Our club members, Rakesh Sheth and Vikram Shah were instrumental in organising the trip.*







**PP Rajul Pathak  
&  
PP Mona Gyani**

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## March 2025 Projects' Glimpses

### 1st March: Annapurna

Beneficiary - 550

Director - Rtn. Harish Davda

NGO – Ram Roti Foundation



### 1st & 2nd March: Discon 2025

No. of Attendees – 74



### 3rd to 8th March: Jewelry Making Vocational Course

Beneficiary - 16

No. of Attendees – 3

Director - Rtn. Bela Desai





## March 2025 Projects' Glimpses

### 03rd March: Medical help

No. of Attendees – 1



### 6th March: Donation of 15 Pad Vending Machines

Beneficiary - Mass

No. of Attendees - 5

Director – Rtn. Bela Desai



### 07th March: Dome Starcraft" Space Tour

Beneficiary – 84

Director – Rtn. Arti Parekh





## March 2025 Projects' Glimpses

**07th March: 12th Regular Meeting "Fearless & Unstoppable: Women Leading the Way"**

**No. of Attendees – 74**



**08th March: Rotary Sumeet Cup – Womens' Cricket Tournament**

**Beneficiary - 116**

**No. of Attendees – 1**



**08th / 15th March: Annapurna**

**Beneficiary - 550**

**No. of Attendees – 5**

**Director - Rtn. Harish Davda**

**NGO – Ram Roti Foundation**





## March 2025 Projects' Glimpses

### 08th March: Medicine Donation

Beneficiary - 1

No. of Attendees – 5



### 08th March: Launch Of Cervical Vaccines Programme

### 13th & 21st March: International Tour at Baku

No. of Attendees – 42



### 16th March: Seminar on Bye Laws & Constitution



## March 2025 Projects' Glimpses

**23rd March: Prize Distribution at  
“Sumit Mahotsav - Rotary Saptah”**  
Beneficiary -  
No. of Attendees – Director -  
NGO



**23rd March: Taare Zameen Par, Annual Day Celebration**  
Beneficiary – 116  
No. of Attendees – 22  
Chief Guest – DG Rtn. Chetan Desai  
Guest Of Honor – Rtn. Mona Shah



**26th March: 9th BOD**  
No. of Attendees – 11





## March 2025 Projects' Glimpses

### 27th March: Final Match

No. of Attendees – 2



### 28th March: Rotary AI Glass Distribution for Blind / Visually Impaired

Beneficiary – 116

No. of Attendees – 22

Chief Guest – DG Rtn. Chetan Desai

Guest Of Honor – Rtn. Mona Shah



### 28th March: Felicitation of Carrom National Champions

Beneficiary - 2

No. of Attendees – 7





## March 2025 Projects' Glimpses

### 29th March: Annapurna

Beneficiary – 550

No. of Attendees – 10

Director - Rtn. Harish Davda

NGO – Ram Roti Foundation



### 30th March: Annapurna

Beneficiary – 550

No. of Attendees – 05

Director - Rtn. Harish Davda

NGO – Ram Roti Foundation



A. " Please note that the costs of the respective Projects are in INR".

B. " Please read " Beneficiary" as " Beneficiaries" in the respective Project columns".



## March '25 Projects Glimpses

Sr.	Date	Name of the Event / Project	Beneficiary	Member Attended	Cost Rs.
1	01-03-2025	Annapurna Food distribution at Shatabdi Hospital for patient & patients relatives with Ram Roti Foundation. Thanks to Director Harish Davda. Thanks to Donor	550	-	6
2	01-03-2025 & 02-03-2025	DISCON 2025	-	74	-
3	03-03-2025 - 08-03-2025	Organized a Jewelry Making Vocational Course on the occasion Womens' Day collaboration with Devlapada RCC at the Prabodhankar Thakre Library, Borivali (E)	16	3	15000
4	03-03-2025	Medical help to Mr. Satish Manjarekar, He is facing life-altering accident. RCB & Innerwheel Club of Borivli financially helped for operation & artificial leg. Thanks to CSR Donor SICK India Pvt. Ltd.	-	1	296625
5	06-03-2025	Donation of 15 Pad Vending Machines for Women Empowerment at Vikramgadhi (Rural Area) Thanks to donor Alvita Pharma Private Ltd. & special thanks to PP Nitin Majithia for his continuous support in making this project a reality by once again arranging a CSR Fund from Alvita Pharma Private Ltd. Thanks to Director Rtn. Bela Desai.	Mass	5	112500
6	07-03-2025	Organized the "Dome Starcraft" Space Tour for students from Abhinav Vidhya Mandir and Cosmos High School at Nesco, Goregaon. Special thanks to First Lady Sonal Chandarana	84	-	8000
7	07-03-2025	12th Regular Meeting "Fearless & Unstoppable: Women Leading the Way" – International Womens' Day Celebration	-	74	60600
8	08-03-2025	Hosted the Rotary Sumeet Cup – Womens' Cricket Tournament collaboration with RCC Devlapada at Sheth GH High School, Borivali East. & Prize Distribution Ceremony" at Late Anantrao Bhosle Ground, Borivali East	116	1	35000
9	08-03-2025	Annapurna Food distribution at Shatabdi Hospital for patient & patients relatives with Ram Roti Foundation. Thanks to Director Harish Davda. Thanks to Donor Priti Karia (Canada) Through Our Rtn. Nilesh Popat & Family	550	5	6000
10	08-03-2025	Medicine Help. Thanks to Rtn. Piyush Bhai Shah, Rtn. Harish Davda, and President Rtn. Harish Chandarana	1	5	8903
11	08-03-2025	launched Cervical Vaccines Program at Hitvardhak Hospital			
12	13-03-2025 - 21-03-2025	International Tour at Baku, Azerbaijan. 19 Rotary Couple & 2 Guest Couple.	-	42	-
13	15-03-2025	Annapurna Food distribution at Shatabdi Hospital for patient & patients relatives with Ram Roti Foundation. Thanks to Director Harish Davda. Thanks to Donor	550		6000
14	16-03-2025	Lead Host Seminar on Bye Laws & Constitutions at Rotary Center, L.M. Patel Rotary Eye Hospital, S.V. Road, Malad West	-	-	5000
15	22-03-2025	Annapurna Food distribution at Shatabdi Hospital for patient & patients relatives with Ram Roti Foundation. Thanks to Director Harish Davda. Thanks to Donor	550	-	6000
16	23-03-2025	Taare Zameen Par - Annual Day Celebration at Aspee Auditorium for special children with POSAT Foundation. Thanks to Chief Guest, DG Rtn. Chetan Desai, and the Guest of Honor, Rtn. Mona Shah, alongside Mayaben from Posat Foundation.	116	22	68000



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Sr.	Date	Name of the Event / Project	Beneficiary	Member Attended	Cost Rs.
17	26-03-2025	9th BOD	-	11	-
18	27-03-2025	Final match of the Group A Open Tournament between RCB Team A and the combined team of Borivali and Wonders at Thakur Stadium, MCGM Ground, Borivali & RCB Team A Won the match. Thanks Sports Chairman Rtn. Bhavesh Vora & Rtn. Jitendra Vora	-	2	1500
19	28-03-2025	Rotary AI Glass Distribution for Blind / Visually Impaired. Thanks to PP & Chairman of the Eye Bank, and District Avenue Chairperson Mayank Desai, who played a key role in coordinating the event & explained in detail the functioning of the Eye bank and Processing Center to the gathering.	11	3	198000
20	28-03-2025	Felicited Mr. Prashant More (National Winner) and Mr. Sandeep Dive (Runner-up) of the Carrom National Tournament in New Delhi, in collaboration with The MCF Carrom and Chess Sub-Committee. Thanks to Rtn. Hemant Asher.	1	7	1100
21	29-03-2025	Annapurna Food distribution at Shatabdi Hospital for patient & patients relatives with Ram Roti Foundation. Thanks to Director Harish Davda. Thanks to Donor Shree Bhatt Mewada Gnyati Hitwardhak Mandal (Donor Reference: Rtn. Mayur Joshi) & Parth Gandhi (Donor Reference: Rtn. Monali Vora)	550	10	6000
22	30-03-2025	Annapurna Food distribution at Shatabdi Hospital for patient & patients relatives with Ram Roti Foundation. Thanks to Director Harish Davda. Thanks to Donor Shree Bhatt Mewada Gnyati Hitwardhak Mandal (Donor Reference: Rtn. Mayur Joshi)	550	5	6000





## PALASH

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### Birthdays & Anniversaries

#### Happy Birthday

06-Apr	Renjini
07-Apr	Ruma Desai
07-Apr	Sanjay Mistry
09-Apr	Hetal T. Desai
18-Apr	Sushil Mistry
21-Apr	Atul Joshi
24-Apr	Binhi Desai Dr.
26-Apr	Prakash Desai
27-Apr	Jayesh Kapadia
27-Apr	Praful Motilal Jobanputra

#### Wedding

04-Apr	Dhruv Javeri
06-Apr	Kishor Katwate
06-Apr	Anuradha Katwate
14-Apr	Alka Javeri
19-Apr	Sumedha Rao
20-Apr	Mukesh Thakkar
22-Apr	Amrith Trivedi
23-Apr	Ajay Jain
23-Apr	Neelam Jain
23-Apr	Ravi Shah
24-Apr	Praful Motilal Jobanputra
30-Apr	Nilesh Popat

#### The Editor's Desk

Dear Friends,

Seasons Greetings to you all.

We hope you enjoy reading this Edition of Kanheri.

Summer is upon us, and how. The scorching effect is well and truly playing itself out right here and now, even though the season has just about commenced its long innings.

The short winter, extra long summer, untimely rains etc - all indicate the adverse effects of climate change, and the harmful consequences of tinkering with Mother Nature. Hence, it is all the more imperative to focus on environment sustainability, both at a macro level as well as at an individual level. All of us can, and indeed should, play an active role in protecting our environment. Every tiny step counts, much akin to little drops of water making an ocean. Here is how we, as individuals, can make a difference: conservation of water, shunning of water wastage, the substitution of



plastic bags with cloth bags, reduction in paper printing (remember, more paper prints mean more number of trees being cut), promoting the usage of public or shared transport for commuting- a practical and cost effective way of reducing pollution, walking or cycling, at least for short distance commutes, switching of lights and fans when not needed, optimal usage of air conditioners- all these micro steps will surely promote a better environment and contribute to healthy living.

Our Club too can pitch in through its Projects wedded to the cause of environment sustainability, and by championing a greener way of life amongst the public at large.

That, my dear friends, would surely be our "Toast To Earth".

Best Regards,

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