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ADDING MEANING TO FESTIVALS THROUGH SERVICE

As the **festive season** approaches, our homes and hearts fill with **light, colour, and happiness.** Festivals are a time to celebrate with our families, exchange **sweets**, and offer **prayers of gratitude**. But the true spirit of these occasions shines brightest when we **extend that joy to others** — especially those who may not have the means to celebrate.

At **Rotary,** we are fortunate to live by the value of **Service Above Self.** This is the perfect time to put that into action. A small **gesture** — a **meal** for a hungry family, **new clothes** for a child, **medicines** for someone in need, or even a **kind word** — can make their festival memorable. When we **give**, we not only bring **smiles** to others but also experience a deeper sense of **fulfilment** ourselves.

Let us make **giving** as much a part of our celebrations as **music**, **lights**, **and sweets**. Each act of **service**, big or small, adds true **meaning** to the season. Together, as **Rotarians**, let's ensure that this **festive joy** reaches every corner of our **community**.

Wishing you all a season of happiness, peace, and the joy of giving.

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST



IMPORTANT LINKS







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TRIBUTE TO A LIFE OF SERVICE

Date: Friday, 22nd August 2025 **Time:** 7.30 pm **Venue:** Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Memorial Rotary Hall, Nanpura, Surat.

The Rotary Club of Surat organised a special meeting to pay tribute to our beloved Late Rtn. Bhavaniben Mehta. Members of the club came together to share their heartfelt views and personal testimonials, recalling her dedication, warmth, and lasting contribution to Rotary.

The session was filled with emotions as everyone remembered her inspiring journey and the values she upheld, leaving behind a legacy of service and compassion for all to follow.



















PAL BAL AANGANWADI: PEOPLE OF ACTION

On Saturday, 23rd August 2025, healthy meals were distributed to **25 children** at **Pal Bal Aanganwadi.**

The initiative was sponsored by Rotary Partner Amisha Kinkhabwala and volunteered by Ms. Prachi Kinkhabwala.



UPCOMING PROGRAMME

30th August

Anganwadi – Sponsored by Rtn. Dakshaben Shah

31st August

Blood Donation Camp at L. P. Savani School, Dabholi

5th September

Weekly Meeting – Teachers' Day Celebration

10th September

HUMF – Sponsored by a well-wisher

KNOW YOUR MEMBER - RTN. DR. NEETA GANDHI



Dr. Neeta Gandhi completed her B. Physiotherapy from M.S. University, Vadodara (1999). She became a Certified Mulligan Practitioner (2008) and has an extensive 25 years of experience in her profession. She is currently serving as the Head of Department at Shree Ambikaniketan Trust Sanchalit Physiotherapy Clinic, located at Shree Bharti Maiya Old Age Home, Surat, where she has been working for the past 21 years.

She is married to **C.A. Tejas Gandhi** and is blessed with a son, **Maulesh**, who is pursuing **Engineering** at **IIIT Hyderabad.** She lives in a **joint family** with her father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, and his family.

Alongside her professional career, Dr. Neeta is a passionate athlete. She has been running and participating in marathons for the last 11 years. She has successfully completed 6 full marathons (42.2 km) and more than 20 half marathons (21.1 km). She also loves trekking and has completed several treks in the Himalayas and Sahyadris. Her other interests include travelling, exploring nature, and reading. She is also a Vipassana follower.

Deeply committed to **social service**, she actively engages in many **community activities**. Every Wednesday, she conducts **Core Strengthening Sessions** for runners at **Chowpaty Garden**. She has also started a **ladies' running group** at **Jyotindra Dave Garden**, **Adajan**. Additionally, she is associated with a **Parenting Workshop** aimed at strengthening the **bond between parents and children**.

Dr. Neeta joined Rotary in 2022 with the intent to **contribute to society.** She is currently serving as the Director of **Service Projects**, **RC Surat (2025–26)**, as she is deeply passionate about **service** and **community projects**. She strongly believes that **"Gratitude is the Key to Happiness."**

BIRTHDAY

30th August

Rtn. Manoj Gautam

31st August

Rtn. Kundan Shah



ROTARY INFORMATION

CONGRATULATION TO RTN. BABALOLA, RI PRESIDENT FOR 2026-27



Olayinka Hakeem Babalola, a member of the Rotary Club of Trans Amadi, Nigeria, has been selected to become Rotary International's President for **2026-27**. A Rotarian since 1994, he has held several leadership positions including District Governor (2011-12), RI Vice President (2019-20), and RI Board Member (2018-20). Professionally, he has over 25 years' experience in the oil and gas industry and is the founder of two companies. He has been actively involved in global Rotary initiatives such as End Polio Now and **PolioPlus**. Residing in Port Harcourt with his wife Preba, he is also a **Rotary** Foundation supporter, Arch Klumph Society member, and recipient of several prestigious Rotary awards.



COVERAGE IN ROTARY NEWS

Making a difference

A mega medical camp at Sarigam

In a mega medical camp at the NR Agarwal Rotary Hospital conducted by RC Sarigam, RID 3060, around 549 patients were screened for various health issues. After lab tests and consultations, medicines worth

tests and consultations, medicines worth ₹2.25 lakh were distributed.

Eighty-one people were chosen for surgery across disciplines. "Some surgeries have begun and the rest will be completed within a month, at a total cost of 70 lakh," said PDG Bal lanndar. The medical camp, an annual feature for over 20 years, was supported by volunteers from a nursing college and an NGO, along with an RFE team from Mexico, RID 4195. ■



Surat hospital gets a Rotary diagnosis facility

A gastrointestinal endoscopy centre was set up at the Sheth PT Surat General Hospital by RC Surat, RID 3060, through a GG project in partnership with RC Emory-Portio HIIIs, RID 6900, US, and RC Singapore, RID 3310.

The facility delivers modern diagnosis to a hospital that serves thousands of low-income patients each year. It all began when the hospita partnered with club to organise a medical camp for the underprivileged in April last year.