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ENGINEERS' DAY: CELEBRATING THE INNOVATORS AND PROBLEM-SOLVERS OF OUR SOCIETY

The Rotary Club of Surat held its weekly meeting on the Friday evening of September 15, 2023, at the Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Memorial Rotary Hall, Jivan Bharti School Annexe, Timaliyawad, Surat-395001. The evening began with a delightful dinner, which fostered an atmosphere of fellowship, purpose, and celebration. The meeting began on a unifying note as all attendees joined in singing the national anthem, expressing their love and devotion to the nation.

Rtn. Sandeep Nanavati - President, Rotary Club of Surat, called the meeting to order and extended a warm welcome to the members and guests. During his address, he proudly announced that the RC Surat had the distinction of having 16 engineers among its members, possibly making it a sole club in Surat with such remarkable representation from the engineering community. Rtn. Jai Mistry, the Honorary Secretary of the club, provided valuable insights into the club's upcoming activities and events. The First Lady Rtn. Dipti Nanavati extended heartfelt birthday greetings to those celebrating their special day this week, further enhancing the sense of community and togetherness within the club.

The evening's program was coordinated by a Past President Rtn. Kamal Gandhi, who shed light on the significance of September 15th as the Engineers' Day and underscored the pivotal role played by engineers in shaping our society and the world. Rtn. Gandhi emphasized that while we often acknowledge the contributions of professionals such as Chartered Accountants, Doctors, and Teachers, this was a unique and special occasion because RC Surat took the initiative to honour and celebrate the engineers within the club.

To further enrich the gathering, Past President Rtn. Nimish Mehta and Rtn. Mrunal Kothari, who are both engineers, shared their personal experiences, providing valuable insights into their respective journeys, the challenges they encountered, and the satisfaction they derived from their profession. Their stories resonated with all attendees, and it was heartening to witness active participation and engagement from all the engineers present. The meeting truly embodied the spirit of fellowship, knowledge sharing, and recognition of the engineering community. The Hon. Secretary Rtn. Jai Mistry delivered a heartfelt thank-you, closing the evening with gratitude.



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The Team 2023-24

President : Rtn. Sandeep Nanavati, **President Elect and Secretary :** Rtn. Jai Mistry, **IPP.:** Rtn. Tejas Gandhi, **Joint Sec :** Rtn. Rupesh Jariwala, **Treasurer :** Rtn. Manoj Gautam
Directors : Rtn. Vineet Panchal, Rtn. Mrinal Kothari, Rtn. Jilpa Sheth, Rtn. Alpesh Shetranjiwala, Rtn. Ajay Mehta
Sergeant at Arms : Rtn. Meghal Bakshi, Rtn. Rajesh Desai, Rtn. Umang Dalal **Advisors :** PP. Rtn. Bhupendra Jariwala and PP. Rtn. Nikhil Madras

We meet at 7.30 pm on Every Friday at Club Office Address

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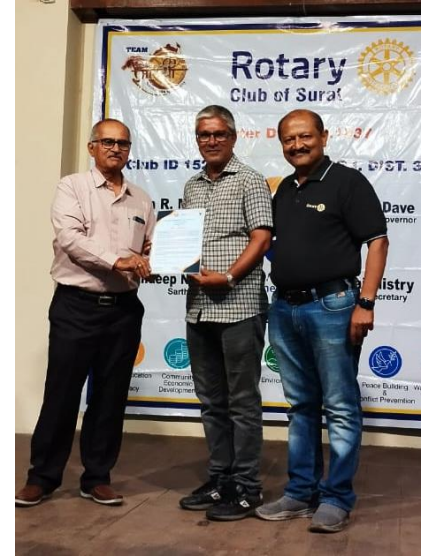
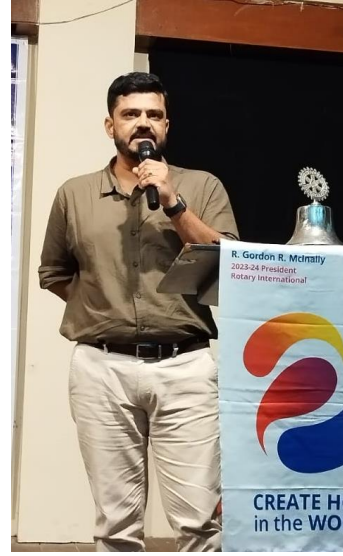
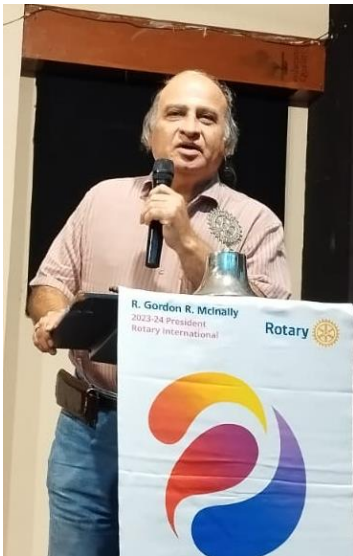
The Club recognized the following members by presenting them with certificates:

1. Bhairav Desai
2. Kamal Gandhi
3. Devesh Gohil
4. Mrunal Kothari

5. Nimish Mehta
6. Hetal Mehta
7. Jai Mistry
8. Sandeep Nanavati

9. Zawareh Wadia
10. Rajesh Desai
11. Manoj Gautam
12. Alpesh Shetranjiwala

13. Krishnakant Tamakuwala
14. Rajesh Bhatia
15. Munish Modi
16. Meghal Baxi





PDG. Himanshu Thacker

THE SPONSOR OF A NEW MEMBER

The bylaws of Rotary clearly outline the procedure for a prospective member to be proposed for Rotary club membership. The 'proposer' is the key person in the growth and advancement of Rotary. Without a sponsor, an individual will never have the opportunity to become a Rotarian.

The task of the proposer should not end merely by submitting a name to the club secretary or membership committee. Rotary has not established formal responsibilities for proposers/sponsors, however by custom and tradition these procedures are recommended in many clubs.

The sponsor should:

1. Invite a prospective member to several meetings prior to proposing the individual for membership.
2. Accompany the prospective new member to one or more orientation/ informational meetings.
3. Introduce the new member to other club members each week for the first month.
4. Invite the new member to accompany the sponsor to the neighboring club, if any, to learn the process and observe the spirit of fellowship.
5. Ask the new member and spouse to accompany the sponsor to the club's social activities, dinner or special occasions.
6. Urge the new member and spouse to attend the district conference with the sponsor.
7. Serve as a special friend to assure that the new member becomes an active Rotarian.
8. When the sponsor follows these guidelines, Rotary becomes stronger with each new member.

IMPORTANT LINKS TO FOLLOW

RC Surat Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/RCSURAT?mibextid=ZbWKwL>

RC Surat Facebook Profile:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100093960544210&mibextid=ZbWKwL>

RC Surat Instagram Profile:

<https://instagram.com/rcsurat?igshid=NGExMml2YTkyZg==>

OUR CHARTER'S DAY CHIEF GUEST



Dr. Bharat Pandya
PRID &
TRF Trustee Vice Chair

Dr. Bharat S. Pandya is a practicing general and laparoscopic surgeon since last 32 years. He is a fellow of the International College of Surgeons and has served on the board management of the Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), a Government of India sponsored Vocational Training Institute for 6 years. He graduated from prestigious Seth GS Medical College, KEM hospital, Mumbai. He and his wife, Dr. Madhavi Pandya, a gynaecologist, owns a private hospital in Mumbai. Dr. Madhavi was charter President of Inner Wheel Club of Borivali. She was District Chairman of Inner Wheel District 314 for 2017-18. Both of them are blessed with two daughters, Dr Nidhi & Dr. Sashmi.

PRID Dr. Bharat Pandya has been elected by the RI Board of Directors to serve as a trustee of The Rotary Foundation for four years from July 2022 to Jun 2026. Furthermore, he has served as Rotary International Director during 2019–21, and was its treasurer for 2020–21.

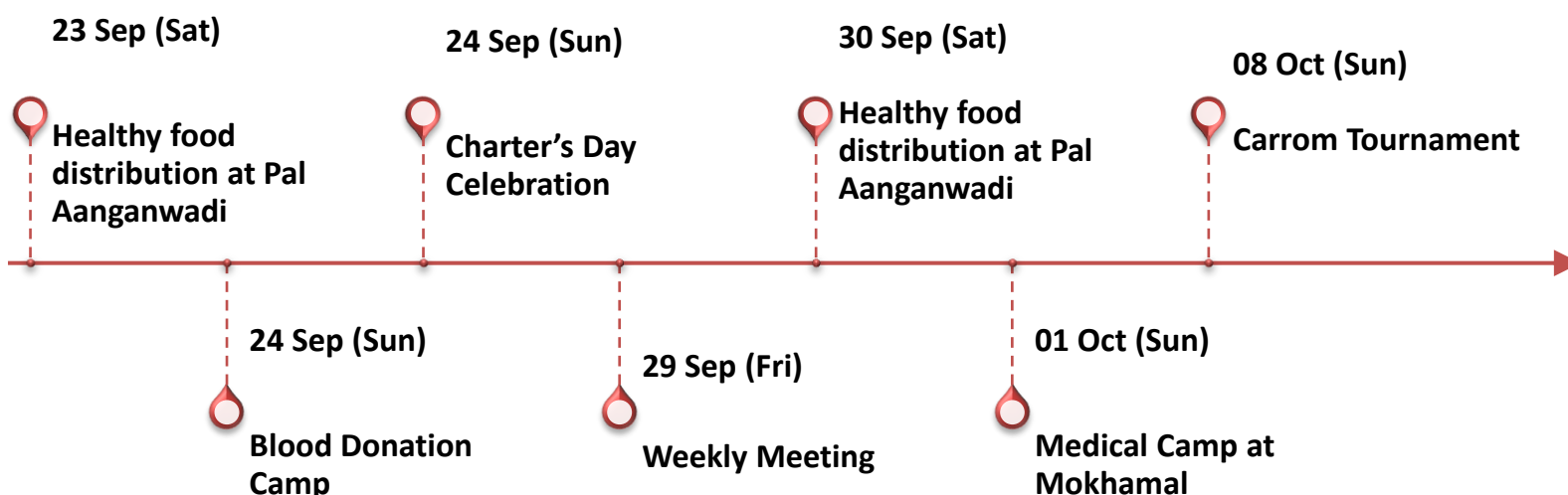
Dr. Pandya joined Rotary Club of Borivali in 1989 as a charter member of his club. During his year as a governor of District 3140, his district contributed over \$2 million to The Rotary Foundation, making it the top contributor worldwide for 2006-07.

He has served Rotary as Regional RI Membership Coordinator (RRIMC), Rotary International Training Leader twice in 2009 & 2010, GETS Chair twice, Member of India National PolioPlus Committee (2011-15) & GETS Trainer (8 times). He has served on the R I Membership Committee, RI Sydney Convention Promotion Committee and as Dist. 3140 COL Representative in 2013. He has been RI President's Representative at District conferences in India, Nepal, Pakistan & Philippines.

He has led numerous projects, including water and sanitation projects funded by Foundation grants that installed check-dams which has benefited villagers as they no longer needed to walk up to 4 miles per day to collect water.

PRID. Dr. Bharat Pandya has been conferred Citation of Meritorious Service and the Distinguished Service Award by The Rotary Foundation and Rotary's highest award "Service Above Self". He and his wife Dr. Madhavi are Level 3 Major Donors to the Foundation.

UPCOMING PROGRAM – SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2023



PEOPLE OF ACTION - WEEKLY PROJECT NUTRITIOUS FOOD DISTRIBUTION

A Bal Anganwadi is a vital that plays crucial role in the early childhood development and care of the children below 6 years. Every week at Child Aanganwadi Food drive helps to raise awareness and provide much needed nutrition to innocent kids.

16 September '2023 Saturday, nutritious food distribution was sponsored and volunteered by PP. Rtn. Tejas Gandhi and Rtn. Dr. Neeta Gandhi.

As Rotarians we say "we share because we care" The kids hopefully wait for Saturday to come imagining about surprises they will receive in form variety of tasty food. Their innocent faces reveal the joy and satisfaction.



Birthdays :

R/P. Leena Shetranjiwala	24/09
R/P. Jignasa Patel	27/09
Rtn. Mukesh Kumar Bothra	01/10
R/P. Rima Sukani	02/10
Rtn. Meghal Baxi	03/10