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THE GUIDING LIGHT OF A GURU AND THE SPIRIT OF ROTARY

In Indian tradition, a Guru is more than a **teacher**. A Guru is a **guide**, a **mentor**, and a source of **wisdom** who helps us see beyond our limited perspective. They don't just share knowledge – they **shape character**, **instil values**, and show us the path towards a **purposeful life**. A Guru removes **darkness** (gu) and brings in **light** (ru), leading us from **confusion to clarity**.

Rotary, in many ways, embodies this very philosophy. Each **Rotarian** is both a **seeker** and a **guide.** We **learn** from the experiences of our **seniors, mentors, and leaders,** just as we **share** our own **knowledge** and **compassion** with others. When a new member joins Rotary, it is the **collective mentorship** of fellow Rotarians that helps them understand **Service Above Self.** When we take up a project, it is the wisdom of past experiences that guides us towards **sustainable solutions.**

Just as a **Guru** does not expect anything in return but takes joy in seeing the **disciple grow**, Rotary too finds **fulfilment** not in recognition, but in the **silent satisfaction** of making a **difference** in someone's life. In truth, **Rotary itself is a living Guru** – teaching us **humility**, **compassion**, **fellowship**, and the joy of **service**.

"A Guru lights the lamp of knowledge in one heart – Rotary lights thousands, one act of service at a time."

Editorial TeamSudarshan

THE FOUR-WAY TEST



IMPORTANT LINKS







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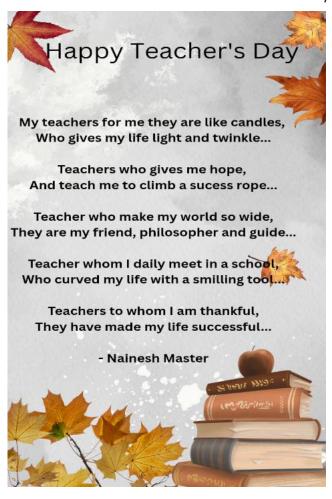
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NILESH JARIWALA

DIRECTORS: PP DR. AJAY MAHAJAN, JILPA SHETH, DR. NEETA GANDHI, DEEPAK GANDHI, MEGHAL BAXI SGT. AT ARMS: NAINESH MASTER, SURAJ SAGAR, CHETAN JARIWALA

HONOURING THE TORCHBEARERS OF KNOWLEDGE

Date: Friday, 5th September 2025 **Time:** 7.30 pm **Venue:** Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Memorial Rotary Hall, Nanpura, Surat

The weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Surat was to mark Teachers' Day, celebrating and felicitating teachers for their invaluable contribution to society.



The session commenced with the **National Anthem**, filling the hall with patriotic spirit. President **Kundan Shah** then formally called the meeting to order, followed by the **Four-Way Test** recitation by PP **Bhupendra Jariwala**

In his welcome address, President Kundan Shah extended warm greetings to all present, setting a cheerful and respectful tone for the evening. Hon. Secretary Kamal Gandhi shared important announcements, updating members on club activities and upcoming events. Rtn. Chetan Jariwala conveyed birthday and anniversary greetings, bringing smiles to members celebrating their special days.

The evening's highlight was the **felicitation of teachers**, conducted by PP **Nikhil Madrasi** and Ms. **Vanita Rawat**, where 10 teachers were honoured for their dedication and service in shaping future generations. This act of recognition echoed Rotary's deep respect for education and the role of mentors in society.

- Ms. Kairavi Falgun Angadia
- Mr. Chetankumar Jivrajbhai Nathani
- Ms. Janki Jinwala
- Ms. Rakhee Lapsiwala
- Dr. Shikha Samaia

- Mr. Bhupendra Pancholi
- Dr. Vandana Shah
- Mr. Mahesh Pamnani
- Ms. Ami Naik
- Mr. Yogesh Presswala

The meeting concluded with a heartfelt **vote of thanks** by PE **Harshad Kinkhabwala**, appreciating the contributions of all participants and guests.

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HUMF

On **Wednesday, 10th September 2025,** RC Surat organised HUMF, an initiative to support maternal health, by providing **nutritional kits to expectant women.** Rotary partner **Amisha Kinkhabwala** volunteered for the cause, while a dedicated team led by **Dr. Isha Modi, Physiotherapist** from **Shree Bhartimaiya Physiotherapy College,** offered valuable guidance to the beneficiaries. The initiative was **generously sponsored by a well-wisher.**







KNOW YOUR MEMBER – RTN. SURAJJ SAGAR



Surajj Sagar was born on **14th January 1986** at Savarkundla, District Amreli (Saurashtra), in a **nuclear business family,** and was brought up in Surat.

Being a born businessman, he joined his legacy business with his father under the name Sagar Chasmawala, established in 1952. Today, he proudly serves as the 3rd Generation in the Optical Industry, continuing the family legacy through Sagar Chasmawala, Hirabag, Varachha Road, Surat and Sagar Optics, Turning Point Shopping Complex, Ghod Dod Road, Surat.

Surajj has completed his MBA (Marketing), followed by Post-Graduation in Disaster Management with Distinction, Post-Graduation in Marketing Management, and B.Com. A sports enthusiast, he was also an athlete and professional swimmer.

His father, Haresh Sagar, was a Charter Member of Rotary Club of

Surat East and later retired from Rotary Club of Surat Diamond City. His brother, Satyam, is a Clinical Psychologist and businessman, as well as a Rotarian with Rotary Club of Surat Diamond City – having served as Secretary (2023–24) and currently as Public Image Chair (2024–25). His mother, Usha, a homemaker, has been an Inner Wheel member since 2011, serving as ISO for 3 years and as President of Inner Wheel Club of Surat Diamond City for 3 terms.

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BIRTHDAY

12th September Rotary partner Nilam Devesh Gohil

14th September Rtn. Umang Mukund Dalal

16th September Rtn. Alpa Nikhil Madrasi

17th September Rtn. Dr. Neeta Tejas Gandhi

21st September Rotary partner Prerna Yatish Parekh



UPCOMING PROGRAMME

12th September Varsha Geet

13th September Healthy food distribution at Bal Anganwadi – Sponsored by Rtn. Neha Lotwala

17th September Blood Donation camp in association with Kalamandir Jewellers

20th September Charter Day Celebration

20th September Healthy food distribution at Bal Anganwadi – Sponsored by Rtn. Vineet Panchal

ROTARY INFORMATION

