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A NEW DAWN: REKINDLING PURPOSE BEYOND THE FESTIVAL LIGHTS

As the echoes of Diwali celebrations fade and the glow of diyas gives way to the steady rhythm of routine, we find ourselves returning — to **work**, to **purpose**, and to the quiet hum of **service** that defines Rotary.

The festival reminded us of **light, hope,** and **renewal.** Now, it's time to carry that light forward — from the doorstep to the world outside. The lamps may have been put away, but the essence of Diwali — of **lighting lives** — continues, one project at a time.

As we settle back into our roles, we carry forward that glow — not in **lanterns**, but in **leadership**, not in **fireworks**, but in **follow-through**.

Rotary's strength lies not just in grand initiatives, but in the steady consistency of **action** — the meetings resumed, the plans revived, the hands extended once more in **service**. Whether it's a literacy drive taking shape, a water project gaining momentum, or a fellowship gathering that sparks new ideas — every effort adds to the collective **glow of goodwill** that Rotary stands for.

As we settle back into our routines, let's remember that the festival's true message doesn't end with the holidays. It begins now — in every renewed **commitment**, every act of **compassion**, every step towards **change**.

Because while Diwali lit our homes, Rotary continues to light our paths — with **purpose**, with **service**, and with the enduring spirit of **togetherness**.

WELCOME BACK, CHANGE MAKERS. LET'S GET GLOWING.

— Editorial Team Sudarshan

THE FOUR-WAY TEST



IMPORTANT LINKS







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ACROSS CONTINENTS, CARRYING THE LIGHT OF ROTARY

As the festival of Diwali filled our homes with warmth and light, one young Interactor carried that same glow across the world. IYE Outbound student, Dhyanam Nimish Mehta, has now begun his exchange year in Host District 4652, Brazil, where he was warmly received by the Host Club IYE Chair, his Host Family, and

fellow exchange students from **Mexico** and **Colombia.**

This experience marks more than just a new destination — it reflects the Rotary spirit of connection, learning, and global understanding. Through such exchanges, young ambassadors like Dhyanam bring cultures closer and friendships stronger.

This remarkable opportunity was made possible through the efforts of Rotary International, RI Districts 3060 and 4652, and the Rotary Club of Surat, whose commitment to youth exchange continues to open doors across continents. Guidance and encouragement from Then DG Tushar Shah, PDG Himanshubhai Thacker, PDG Hiteshbhai Jariwala, IYE Chair Rajneesh Anand, then Club President Jay Mistry, and Rtn. Nehal Shah played a vital role in shaping this journey. Special recognition goes to PP Hetal Mehta, PP Chirag Gandhi, PP Abbas Motiwala and Rtn. Adv. Ajay Mehta for strengthening the inbound host programme.

Behind every successful exchange stands dedicated coordination. Rtn. Manoj Gautam, Club IYE Chair, ensured each step was smooth with his consistent follow-ups and guidance. Rtn. Ketan Patel's steady support also added strength to the process.

And, of course, the collective goodwill of the **Rotary Club of Surat** — members, families, and friends — made this journey possible through their encouragement and blessings.

As **Dhyanam** settles into his host community, his journey reminds us that the light we share during Diwali can travel far beyond our homes — shining through friendship, learning, and the shared purpose that unites Rotarians everywhere.

દયાનમ મહેતાની રોટરી યુથ એક્સચેન્જ કાર્યક્રમમાં પસંદગી ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE OUTBOUND સુરત • રાયન ઇન્ટરનેશનલ સ્કૂલના પ્રતિભાશાળી ઉદ્યાર્થી ધ્યાનમ મહેતાની ગેટરી યથ એ ક્સચેન્જ













PP Nimish & Rotary Partner Purvi Mehta

FIRST-EVER SURGERIES AT BANI: ROTARY PRIDE, SURAT SHINES

Rotary Club of Surat proudly applauds Rtn. Prof. Dr. Harish Chauhan, who has embarked on a remarkable journey as part of the Kashmir Mega Surgical Camp in collaboration with the Government of India and Rotary Districts 3132, 3131, 3070, and 3060. After reaching Kathua, Dr. Harish and his team travelled to Bani, where they successfully set up an Operation Theatre for the first time in the region — a historic milestone as no surgeries had ever been performed there before.

Their dedication turned Day 3 into a day of true service, as the first surgeries commenced at Bani. The **Rotary Club of Surat family** extends heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Harish for his tireless efforts and commitment to this noble cause.



A GESTURE THAT SPEAKS FROM THE HEART



A proud moment for the **Rotary Club of Surat** as **PP Dr. Ajay Mahajan** joins the circle of **Major Donors – Level 1** to The Rotary Foundation.

Those who know **Dr. Mahajan** will agree — he gives with **thought**, not for **applause**. His **kindness** comes quietly, but its **impact** is lasting. This gesture is another reflection of his belief that when we share what we have, we **light** a **path for someone else**.

His **generosity** isn't about **size** — it's about **heart**. And through that heart, he reminds us what **Rotary truly stands for**.

PAL BAL AANGANWADI: PEOPLE OF ACTION

Saturday, 25th October 2025, healthy meals were distributed to 20 children at Pal Bal Aanganwadi, sponsored by **Rotary club of Surat** and it was volunteered by **Rtn. Jagrutiben and Rtn. Kamalbhai Gandhi**





KNOW YOUR MEMBER: RTN. INDRAVADAN SHETHRANJIWALA



Indravadan Shethranjiwala joined the Rotary Club of Surat in 1987–88 and has been an active and dedicated member ever since. Through Rotary, he has participated in family exchange programmes, visiting several countries and building lifelong friendships across borders. He has also travelled widely for business. Over the years, he has served on many club committees and has a special fondness for working as Banquet Chair, a role he fulfilled with great enthusiasm during the District Conference in 2016–17.

Coming from a humble background, Rtn. Indravadan's journey is marked by hard work, perseverance, and self-achievement. Having studied only up to matriculation, he began working at an early age and gradually established himself in business. He went on to set up multiple factories for dyes and chemicals in Ankleshwar and Sachin, earning wide recognition and deep expertise in the import—export trade within the chemical industry.

Alongside business success, he remained actively involved in **social and community activities**. He also served as a member of the **Southern Gujarat Chamber of Commerce**, chairing several committees and contributing to the growth of the business community.

He married his beloved wife, Late Mrs. Meenakshiben, in a love marriage. They are blessed with three children — two daughters, Jankhna and Hetal, and a son, Alpesh Shethranjiwala. Both daughters are happily married and settled with their families, while Alpesh now successfully manages the family business.

The Rotary connection continues through the next generation — his **granddaughter**, **Khushali**, participated in the **Rotary Youth Exchange Programme** and visited the **Netherlands**, while his **daughterin-law**, **Leena**, is also an **active Rotarian**.

A man of simple joys, Rtn. Indravadan enjoys travelling, reading, marketing, long drives, attending banquets, and social service. Today, he leads a peaceful and content retired life, surrounded by family, goodwill, and the satisfaction of a journey shaped by service and self-belief.

ROTARY'S AREAS OF FOCUS



CONFLICT PREVENTION



DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT



WATER, SANITATION,



MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH



BASIC EDUCATION
AND LITERACY



COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



ENVIRONMENT

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BIRTHDAY

31st October Rotary partner CA Jyoti Vijay Methwani

9th November Rtn. Dr. Harish D. Chauhan

9th November Rotary Partner Tinjal Mrunal Kothari

ANNIVERSARY

8th November Rtn. Snehal and Jayna Patel

UPCOMING PROGRAMME

31st October New Year Get-Together

1st November Healthy food distribution at Bal Anganwadi Sponsored by Rtn. Kamal Gandhi

8th November Surat Flora and Fauna Art Exhibition

9th November Handing over - RC Surat Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Centre to Shree Gurunanak Hospital

ROTARY INFORMATION

Hand over Ceremony

of

Rotary Club of Surat Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Centre

under

Global Grant#2683063

of

The Rotary Foundation

Rotary Club of Emory Druid Hills Club of Singapore



9TH November 2025

:<u>Venue</u>: Shree Gurunanak Hospital

Yogi Krupa Society, Bhatar Road Surat-395001

