



# Sudarshan

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR : AMARDEEP SINGH BUNET

## BEYOND SCREENS, TOWARDS SOULS

### Rediscovering presence in a world that never pauses

We live in an age of **constant connection** — yet genuine **attention** has quietly become rare. Surrounded by notifications, messages, and endless digital noise, we are connected to everyone and everything, but seldom truly **present** with anyone. The result is subtle but real — conversations without listening, friendships without depth, and progress without pause.

**Rotary**, in many ways, stands as a quiet contrast to this hurried world. Every weekly meeting, **fellowship**, and club **celebration** offers more than an agenda; it offers a moment of stillness — a space where people look up from their screens and truly connect. These gatherings remind us that togetherness isn't built through constant communication, but through genuine **human presence**.

**District conferences** and **assemblies** extend this spirit further. They bring Rotarians from across regions to share ideas, exchange experiences, and celebrate common purpose. Beyond leadership and planning, these events restore something we are losing fast — the art of **attentive listening** and shared understanding.

When members travel across states or countries through **friendship exchanges**, the essence of Rotary shines even brighter. Staying with host Rotarians, learning their culture, and forming bonds through shared experiences — these moments remind us that **empathy** cannot be sent through a message; it must be felt in person.

The same warmth flows through every **community camp** — whether it's for health, environment, or education. Amidst the bustle of activity, what makes the difference is not the scale of the event, but the sincerity of attention — eyes that meet, hands that help, and **hearts that care**.

In the quiet between words and screens, we find what matters most — **connection that feels real**. Let this be Rotary's quiet message in a noisy world: to be **fully present** is to honour life itself.

— Editorial Team  
Sudarshan

## THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Rotary  **THE FOUR-WAY TEST**  
*Of the things we think, say or do:*

- first** Is it the **TRUTH**?
- second** Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- third** Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- fourth** Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

## IMPORTANT LINKS



<b>PRESIDENT</b> KUNDAN SHAH	<b>I.P.P.</b> JAI MISTRY	<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b> VINEET PANCHAL	<b>PRESIDENT ELECT</b> HARSHAD KINKHABWALA	<b>HON. SECRETARY</b> PP TEJAS GANDHI	<b>HON. JT. SECRETARY</b> PP KAMAL GANDHI	<b>HON. TREASURER</b> NILESH JARIWALA
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**DIRECTORS** : PP DR. AJAY MAHAJAN, JILPA SHETH, DR. NEETA GANDHI, DEEPAK GANDHI, MEGHAL BAXI    **SGT. AT ARMS** : NAINESH MASTER, SURAJ SAGAR, CHETAN JARIWALA

CLUB OFFICE : DR. SAROSH BHACCA MEMORIAL ROTARY HALL,  
JIVAN BHARTI SCHOOL ANNEXE, TIMALIYAWAD, SURAT - 1.

We meet at 7.30 pm on every Friday

## A JOURNEY OF CULTURE, COLOUR AND CONNECTION

The **Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE)** team from **RI District 3060**, comprising members of the **Rotary Club of Surat**, embarked on a memorable visit to **Club Rotario Oaxaca Antequera, Mexico** (RI District 4195) on **27th October 2025**.

The visiting team — Team Leader **Adv. Rtn. Ajay Mehta** along with **Rotary partner Nayana Mehta**, **PP Rtn. Sandip Nanavati** with **Rtn. Dipti Nanavati**, and **PE Rtn. Harshad Kinkhabwala** with **Rotary partner Amisha Kinkhabwala** — were warmly received by their gracious hosts in **Oaxaca City**, a place known for its **vibrant culture** and **heartfelt hospitality**.

The group is experiencing the true essence of Rotary friendship through **local homestays**, immersing themselves in the rhythm of Oaxacan life. Their visit coincided with the **Halloween and Day of the Dead festivities**, when the city transforms into a living canvas of **altars, marigolds, candles, music, and memories** — celebrating both life and legacy.

From savouring traditional cuisine to exploring the **ancient ruins of Monte Albán** and strolling through colourful neighbourhoods filled with art and warmth, every moment reflects the beauty of cultural connection.

The Surat RFE team carries home not just souvenirs, but stories — of **shared humanity, artistic spirit, and enduring friendship** — a true testament to the Rotary ideal of advancing world understanding through people-to-people exchange.

*When cultures meet, hearts connect — Rotary makes the world feel smaller and warmer.*





## ILLUMINATING VISION ACROSS BORDERS

We are delighted to share that the **Rotary Club of Surat** has joined hands with the **Rotary Club of Malang Central, District 3420, Indonesia**, as the **International Partner for Global Grant #2578235 – “Gift of Sight.”**

This global initiative aims to restore and enhance vision for underserved communities in **Batu, Malang, Indonesia**, through sustainable eye-care services and outreach. The grant has been officially submitted for authorization, marking another meaningful step in Rotary's mission to create lasting impact — one vision, one life at a time.

## KNOW YOUR MEMBER : RTN. BHAIRAV DESAI



**Rtn. Bhairav Desai** joined Rotary in **2014–15**, and since then has been an **active and dedicated member**, serving as **Chairperson of various club committees**.

A **Civil Engineering graduate**, he currently serves as an **Executive Engineer at the Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC)**. His professional journey began in **Mumbai**, where he worked on **projects spanning construction, architecture, and interior design**.

Since joining **SMC in 1998**, he has played a **vital role in city management and urban infrastructure**, contributing to major projects in **water supply, sewerage, storm drainage, solid waste management, and wastewater recycling**. He has been actively involved in the **Tapi Shuddhikaran Project, water security initiatives, and the preparation of Surat's City Development and Master Plans**.

Rtn. Bhairav has also contributed to **flood risk management studies** and helped draft the **National Guidelines for Urban Flooding** under the **National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)**.

Beyond his professional and Rotary commitments, he nurtures a keen interest in **current affairs, history, and literature**, and **enjoys music, movies, and wealth management**.

He is married to his **multitalented and dynamic wife, Manjari**, and together they are blessed with a **son, Hridayam**.

## PAL BAL AANGANWADI: PEOPLE OF ACTION

On Saturday, **1st November 2025**, healthy meals were distributed to **25 children at Pal Bal Anganwadi**, sponsored by **Palak Wankawala**, daughter of **Rtn. Jagruti and Rtn. Kamal Gandhi**, and volunteered by **Rtn. Kamalbhai Gandhi** along with Rotary partner **Purvi N. Mehta**.



TRANSFORMING LIVES: COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE THROUGH DIALYSIS

The dialysis machines benefitting patients at Lokhat Hospital have been generously given by the Rotary Club of Surat under the district 3060 grant with the donation received from Shri Hemant & Kalpana Desai from the funds of Manavta Trust. Each month, this initiative benefits numerous patients, significantly enhancing their access to essential healthcare services.

Sr. No.	Month	No. of Patients	Sr. No.	Month	No. of Patients
1	September 2024	130	8	April 2025	146
2	October 2024	136	9	May 2025	162
3	November 2024	126	10	June 2025	144
4	December 2024	122	11	July 2025	170
5	January 2025	132	12	August 2025	145
6	February 2025	133	13	September 2025	197
7	March 2025	159	14	October 2025	213
Total					2,115

RC SURAT CELEBRATES LEADERSHIP — KUDOS TO PP NIKHIL MADRASI!



Rotary Club of Surat congratulates **PP Nikhil Madrasi**, President of The Southern Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SGCCI), on his recent appointments — representing SGCCI as **Managing Committee Member of ASSOCHAM, IMC, and GCCI**, and as **National Executive Committee Member of FICCI**.

These recognitions reflect his leadership, commitment, and contribution to the business community. The Rotary family wishes him continued success and many more milestones ahead.



## BIRTHDAY

9 <sup>th</sup> November	Rtn. Dr. Harish D. Chauhan
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Rotary Partner Tinjal Mrunal Kothari
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Rotary Partner Vandana Rajesh Desai
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Rotary Partner Purvi Nimish Mehta
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Rotary partner Chandraben P. Mistry



## ANNIVERSARY

8 <sup>th</sup> November	Rtn. Snehal and Jayna Patel
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## UPCOMING PROGRAMME

7 <sup>th</sup> November	"Surat Flora and Fauna Day" Idea with Rtn. Nainish C. Parekh
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Healthy food distribution at Bal Anganwadi
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Handing over - RC Surat Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Centre to Shree Gurunanak Hospital

## ROTARY INFORMATION

Dist.3060  
**Rotary**  
Club of Surat

Club of Emory Druid Hills  
Club of Singapore

**ROTARY CLUB OF SURAT**  
Invites You  
To The Hand Over Ceremony  
of  
**Rotary Club of Surat**  
&  
**Shree Gurunanak Dharmarth Hospital**  
**Gastro Intestinal Endoscopy Center**  
under  
**Global Grant#2683063**  
of  
**The Rotary Foundation**

**Chief Guest & Inaugurator**  
**DG Amardeep Singh Bunet**  
**Guest of Honor**  
**DRFC PDG Prashant Jani**  
**DGE Nilesh Shah**

**VENUE :** Shree Gurunanak Hospital  
Yogi Kripa Society,  
Bhatar Road, Surat

**DATE :** 09/11/2025  
**TIME :** 07:00 PM onwards

**The ceremony will be followed by Dinner**

**Kundan Shah**  
President

**CA Tejas Gandhi**  
Hon.Secretary

ROTARY EXCHANGE RATES November 2025			
Rotary Collections & Disbursement Rates, Except in Special Cases.			
Country	Monetary Unit	Currency Per US \$1.00	U.S. Dollar Equivalent
* Argentina	ARS	1,438.00	0.00069541
Australia	AUD	1.52	0.65789474
Bangladesh	BDT	122.00	0.00819672
* Brazil	BRL	5.37	0.18621974
* Canada	CAD	1.40	0.71428571
Switzerland	CHF	0.80	1.25000000
* Colombia	COP	3,870.00	0.00025840
* Denmark	DKK	6.44	0.15527950
* Egypt	EGP	47.00	0.02127660
* Ethiopia	ETB	153.00	0.00653595
* Euro Zone Countries	EUR	0.86	1.16279070
* United Kingdom	GBP	0.76	1.31578947
India	INR	89.00	0.01123596
* Japan	JPY	154.00	0.00649351
* Korea	KRW	1,430.00	0.00069930
* Sri Lanka	LKR	304.00	0.00328947
* Nigeria	NGN	1,450.00	0.00068966
* Norway	NOK	10.04	0.09960159
Nepal	NPR	142.00	0.00704225
* New Zealand	NZD	1.74	0.57471264
* Philippines	PHP	59.00	0.01694915
Pakistan	PKR	282.00	0.00354610
* Sweden	SEK	9.42	0.10615711
Thailand	THB	32.00	0.03125000
* South Africa	ZAR	17.25	0.05797101

\* Indicates rate change from the previous month.