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FROM LITERACY TO CAPABILITY

Literacy today is no longer just the ability to read and write—it is the ability to **think, adapt, and contribute**.

Recent national discussions have clearly highlighted that education must now move beyond degrees towards **skills, innovation, and real-world readiness**. The focus is shifting from producing job seekers to nurturing problem solvers and creators.

We are witnessing a significant transition—from **degree holders to problem solvers, from rote learning to critical thinking**, and from **education as a one-time milestone to a journey of continuous evolution**.

True literacy today goes beyond basics and includes **financial awareness, digital understanding, emotional intelligence, and entrepreneurial thinking**.

In this journey, organisations like Rotary have a powerful role to play. Beyond providing access to education, **greater emphasis must also be placed on quality, relevance, and transformation**. Scholarships, skill-building initiatives, and mentorship programmes can bridge the gap between learning and livelihood. The real success of education will not be measured by how many students graduate, but by how many **lead, innovate, and uplift others**.

The goal is clear: Not just literate individuals, but capable leaders ready for the future.

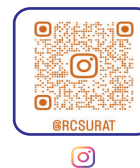
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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

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



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

We meet at 7.30 pm on every Friday

FROM CHAOS TO CLARITY: AN EVENING OF INSIGHT AND INSPIRATION

Date : Friday, 20th March 2026

Time : 7.30 pm

Venue : Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Memorial Rotary Hall, Nanpura, Surat.

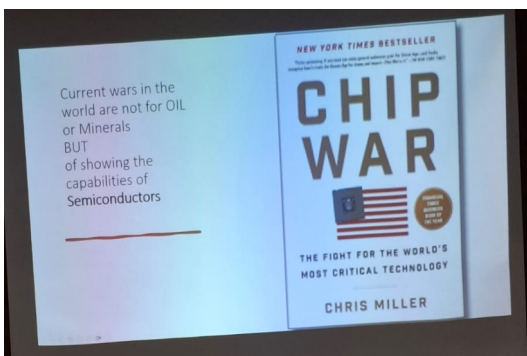
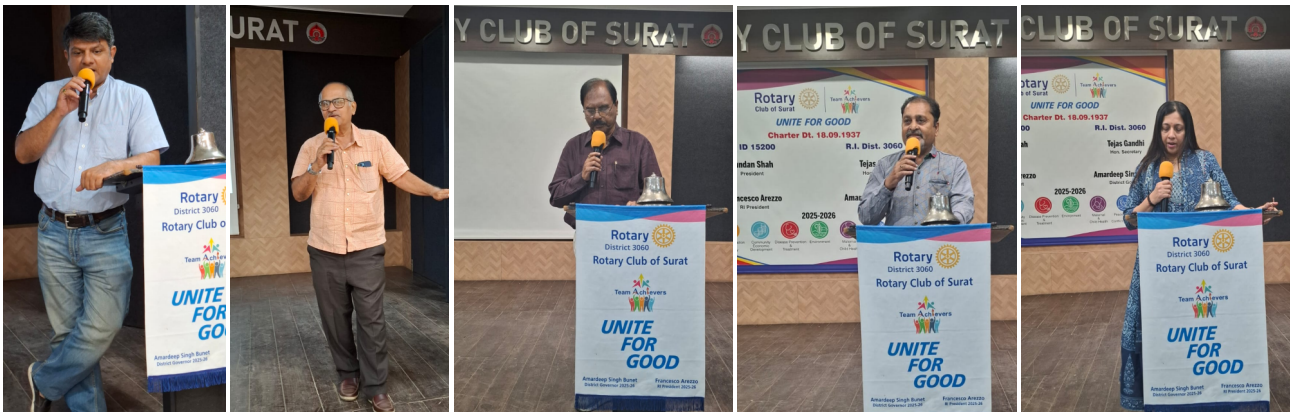


The weekly meeting commenced with the National Anthem recited by all present, followed by the Four Way Test delivered by **Rtn. Rupal Bhatt**. A warm welcome address was delivered by **PE Harshad Kinkhabwala**, after which the keynote speaker, **Shri Sanjay Punjabi**, was felicitated with a memento presented by **Rtn. Jilpa Sheth**. The introduction of the keynote speaker, **Shri Sanjay Punjabi**, was given by **Rtn. Indravadan Shetrajivwala**, highlighting his experience and relevance to the topic.

Shri Sanjay Punjabi delivered a speech on **“Chaos to Clarity”**, offering insightful perspectives and practical takeaways for the members. He emphasised the importance of clarity in thinking while dealing with complex situations and shared practical approaches to make structured and effective decisions. He further highlighted how challenges can be transformed into opportunities through focus, discipline, and a positive mindset, encouraging members to apply these principles in both their professional and personal lives.

PP Dr. Ajay Mahajan updated the members about matters related to Global Grant projects, sharing key insights and progress. The secretarial announcements were made by **Hon. Jt. Secretary Kamal Gandhi**, keeping members informed about upcoming activities and updates. Birthday and anniversary greetings were extended by **Rtn. Chetan Jariwala**, celebrating special moments within the Rotary family.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by **Rtn. Atmaram Tripathi**.



EMPOWERING FUTURES: SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAMME



A District Scholarship Award Programme sponsored by 13 Rotary Clubs of the Surat area was successfully organised on **Thursday, 19th March 2026** at the **Dr. Sarosh Bhacca Memorial Rotary Hall, Nanpura, Surat**, reflecting a strong collective commitment towards education and community development.

A total of 30 deserving students were awarded scholarships of Rs. 25,000 each to support their higher education, marking a meaningful step towards empowering young talent and enabling brighter futures.

The event was graced by the presence of **DG Amardeep Singh Bunet**, along with distinguished guests including **DGE Nilesh Shah, DGND Vipul Patel, and Mr. Jignesh Desai (Joint MD – NJ India)**. The programme was successfully coordinated and led by **DLCC Sharmila Jain (Event Chair)** and **Rtn. Vikram Sanghani (Project Chair)**.

Members from RC Surat who actively participated in the event included **PE Harshad Kinkhabwala, Hon. Jt. Secretary Kamal Gandhi, Hon. Treasurer Nilesh Jariwala, PDG Hitesh Jariwala, PP Sandeep Nanavati, Rtn. Dipak Gandhi, Rtn. Chetan Jariwala, R/p. Purvi Chauhan**.

The programme reflected Rotary's continued dedication towards education, service, and creating a lasting impact in the community.



BIRTHDAY

28th March

Rtn. Alpesh Shetranjiwala

29th March

Rtn. Dipti Sandip Nanavati

31st March

Rtn. Jagruti Kamal Gandhi



KNOW YOUR MEMBER – RTN. ALPESH SHETRANJIWALA



Born and brought up in Surat, **Rtn. Alpesh Shetranjiwala** comes from humble beginnings. Through sheer determination and hard work, he carved his path into the business world. After completing his 12th Science, he pursued DTC and soon stepped into entrepreneurship.

With consistent efforts and vision, he established a successful presence in the dyes and chemicals industry, setting up two factories in Ankleshwar and one in Sachin. He also expanded into import and export of dyes and chemicals, building a strong market presence. Over

the past five years, he has diversified into digital printing as well.

His inclination towards social service led him to Rotary. He began his journey in 1990 as a Rotaractor and later joined the Rotary Club of Sachin in 1998. After two years, he became a member of the Rotary Club of Surat. Since then, he has been actively involved in various Rotary initiatives, conferences, and events. Apart from Rotary, he is also associated with the Southern Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry, where he has contributed through various committee roles.

He is married to **Leena**, and they are blessed with a daughter **Khushali**, who is recently married to **Parth**. His daughter also participated in a Rotary Youth Exchange Program and visited the Netherlands. His father, **Rtn. Indravadan Shetranjiwala**, is a senior member of the same Rotary Club. His parents also travelled internationally through Rotary's Friendship Exchange programme. He fondly remembers his late mother **Meenakshiben**.

His interests include travelling, reading, watching movies, marketing, automobiles, investment advising, long drives, and social service.

ROTARY INFORMATION

PELS & SELS

President-Elect Learning Seminars and Secretary-Elect Learning Seminars

18-19TH APRIL 2026,
SATURDAY, 2:30PM TO SUNDAY, 3:00PM

Host Club : Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater

REGISTRATION CHARGES

| Registration Category | Till 5 th April | From 6 th April |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| • Couple Registration with Accommodation | 14,500/- | 17,500/- |
| • Registration with Twin Sharing Accommodation | 7,500/- | 8,500/- |
| • Registration Without Accommodation | 4,500/- | 5,500/- |

*After 5th April, accommodation-inclusive registrations will be accepted subject to room availability.

Bank Name : Yes Bank Ltd
A/C Name : Regency Lagoon Resort Uo Pankaj International P. L
A/C NO : 009883900000801
IFSC Code : YESB0000098

venue

REGENCY LAGOON RESORT & CONVENTION
NYARI DAM ROAD, OFF KALAVAD ROAD, VAJDI, RAJKOT.

PARESH KALAVADIA | JAYDEV SHAH | ANUP JOSHI | NILESH BHOJANI
Event Chair | Host Club President | Host Club Secretary | Registration Chair
Mo : +91 94262 01691 | Mo : +91 98252 17496

Nilesh & Shruti Shah | **PDG Prashant Jani**
District Governor 2026-27 | District Learning Facilitator 2026-27

AGLS & DLLS

Assistant Governors' Learning Seminar & District Leaders Learning Seminar

29TH MARCH 2026, SUNDAY
9:00 AM TO 4:30 PM

Host Club : Rotary Club of Anand Roundtown

REGISTRATION CHARGES

RS. 850/-
Registration Fee

Bank Name : KOTAK MAHINDRA BANK
A/C Name : ROCART FOUNDATION
A/C NO : 0546114544
IFSC Code : KKBK0003038

venue

BayLeaf Restaurant & Banquet, Saarthi Hall, 3rd Floor, Radhaswami Sahaj,
Near Borsad Crossing, Anand - 388 001.

DMC HEMANG SHAH | HEMANG THAKKAR | VISHAL VERMA | MIHIR PATEL
Event Chair | Event Co Chair | Registration Chairman | Host Club President

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