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Heartfelt Greetings

Birthday

1st February	Rtn. Seema Paresch Kalavadia	94274 35801
1st February	Ann. Juhi Jalev Soni	90047 00006
2nd February	Ann. Smita Poonam Chhotai	98248 01931
5th February	Ann. Jalpa Rushik Antala	85111 02062
7th February	Ann. Tanuja Pankaj Vagher	99784 76399
7th February	Rtn. Rushik Antala	99250 18146
8th February	Ann. Nidhi Niraj Mehta	96247 94948
9th February	Rtn. Viral Doshi	99042 69898
10th February	Rtn. Mahendra Kakkad	98799 64257
10th February	Rtn. Pravin Patel	98242 28866
10th February	Rtn. Vinod Amlani	93289 70712
11th February	Ann. Shobha Jatin Bharad	90990 96427
12th February	Rtn. Dipti Kotecha	95741 08546
12th February	Ann. Heena Hiren Dhakan	75671 64419
13th February	Ann. Kalpana Hiren Khakhar	99788 19001

Anniversary

3rd Feb	Rtn. Bhavin Sabhaya & Ann. Gunja Sabhaya	98256 21380	90999 21380
4th Feb	Rtn. Yash Rathod & Ann. Palak Rathod	97242 77777	81402 77177
6th Feb	Rtn. Rahul Mehta & Ann. Sonal Mehta	98242 80304	98798 36126
7th Feb	Rtn. Pravin Patel & Ann. Mita Patel	98242 28866	99252 29966
9th Feb	Rtn. Jaydeep Vadher & Ann. Urvashi Vadher	98245 47312	87580 10310
9th Feb	Rtn. Poonam Chhotai & Ann. Smita Chhotai	98244 75931	98248 01931
10th Feb	Mr. Mahesh Kotecha & Rtn. Dipti Kotecha	93767 88882	95741 08546
13th Feb	Rtn. Killol Karia & Ann. Vishakha Karia	98240 19123	94274 38006
13th Feb	Rtn. Mehul Buddhadev & Ann. Urvi Buddhadev	98255 64611	97129 64611
15th Feb	Rtn. Dr. Ketan Bavishi & Ann. Shilpa Bavishi	93741 01269	98250 74645
15th Feb	Rtn. Jashmin Dattani & Ann. Darshna Dattani	98240 13139	98240 13137

Dr Pratik Bhadaja

MB DGO
Diploma in Laparoscopy
(CICE, France)
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Impact Snapshot

A Step Towards Health & Hope

On 24 January 2026, Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater, in association with Narayana Health City, Bengaluru, organized a **Free HLA Testing & Thalassemia Awareness Camp** at Rotary Greater Bhavan, Rajkot.

Purpose

To extend support to children battling Thalassemia and to educate families about the condition and its care.

Impact Created

- **80 Thalassemia children** (below 12 years) received free HLA testing
- Parents were guided and made aware about treatment possibilities and future care

Appreciation & Support

- **Rtn. Rajesh Parekh & Dr. Nikhil Sheth** for seamless planning and coordination.
- **RCC members Ashika & Naishargi** for their sincere volunteer support.

Rotarians Present

Rtn. Rajesh Parekh, Rtn. Vimlesh Shah, Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani, Rtn. Jaydev Shah, Rtn. Aashish Joshi, Rtn. Binesh Patel & Rtn. Anup Joshi.



From Mexico to Rajkot: Friendship Beyond Borders

The **RFE Mexico Team**, comprising **five members**, spent **three memorable days in Rajkot**, experiencing heartfelt hospitality and vibrant local culture.

Jointly hosted by the Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater and the Rotary Club of Rajkot, the visit beautifully reflected the spirit of the Rotary Friendship Exchange — strengthening international fellowship, cultural understanding, and lifelong friendships.

Highlights of the Visit

- Visit to the Rotary Dolls Museum
- Tour of the Mahatma Gandhi Museum
- Cultural experiences & local shopping
- Fellowship visit to Jamnagar
- Participation in the Republic Day Flag Unfurling Ceremony at Rotary Greater Bhavan, adding pride and global camaraderie to the celebration in

Gratitude & Appreciation

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Club executive Secretary

Manish Patel

- Heartfelt thanks to Rtn. Dipak Kothari for gracious hosting and excellent care.
- Special thanks to Rtn. Mihir Mody for the delightful lunch hospitality.
- Sincere appreciation to Rtn. Darshan Lakhani for seamless coordination and arrangements throughout the visit.

The exchange fostered meaningful connections and left behind cherished memories, strengthening bonds of friendship across borders.



Empowering 1,700 Girls in Jetpur: A Step Toward Dignity & Health

An initiative of Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater & Unipads Foundation | Supported by SBI (CSR)

As part of the mega mission to empower 40,000 girls across Rotary District 3060, the Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater successfully conducted Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) Awareness Sessions along with the distribution of reusable sanitary pads in Jetpur, fostering awareness, confidence, and dignity among young girls.

Date : 4 February 2026, Wednesday



Beneficiaries

- 1,700 girl students empowered
- 1,600 students – SPKM Girls College, Jetpur
- 100 students – Kendriya Vidyalaya, Jetpur

Facilitator

• **Ann. Falguni Vegda**

Delivered informative and inspiring sessions on menstrual hygiene, health, and sustainable practices.

Data Collection & Pad Distribution Team

- Ann. Hetal Joshi
- Ann. Shital Patel



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- Ashika – President, RCC

Special Thanks

Hearfelt appreciation to Rtn. Chinmay Patel for his prompt support and for safely accompanying the MHM team to Jetpur.

Rotary Reflections

Republic Day Celebration with RFE Mexico Team

On 26th January 2026, Rotarians gathered at Rotary Greater Bhavan to celebrate Republic Day with pride, unity, and international fellowship, in the gracious presence of the visiting RFE Mexico Team.

The National Flag was unfurled at 8:15 AM by a respected retired Army officer, creating a moment of deep honor and patriotic pride. The Joint Club Meeting commenced at 8:30 AM, followed by fellowship and breakfast at 9:00 AM.

The celebration was jointly attended by members of:

- Rotary Club of Rajkot
- Rotary Club of Rajkot Prime
- Rotary Club of Rajkot Midtown



Greater News

Sangmarmar Conference Glory: Rajkot Greater Shines in Agra

The 56th Rotary District Conference "Sangmarmar" at Agra turned into a proud and memorable chapter for the Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater, as our members brought honour, generosity, and inspiration to the district stage.

Dates : 30th & 31st January and 1st February

Venue : Hotel JP Palace, Agra

Participation : 40 members from Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater

The grand venue, warm hospitality, delicious cuisine, and impeccable arrangements created a truly enriching conference experience.

Inspiring Speakers & Guests:

- Ashutosh Rana – renowned actor & powerful motivational speaker
- Ashish Vidyarthi – celebrated actor & leadership motivator
- Anurag Muskan – noted news anchor & inspirational communicator
- Shweta Sharda – Miss Universe India 2023 & youth inspiration



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Along with these distinguished personalities, many other eminent speakers enriched the conference with diverse insights, making the learning experience even more meaningful. Their powerful ideas and life journeys energized participants and left lasting impressions.

District Conferences hold special significance as they beautifully blend Rotary knowledge, inspiration, fellowship, and fun into one unforgettable experience.

Club Achievement: 100% Giving (Gold) Award

A proud moment for the club as Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater received the prestigious 100% Giving (Gold) Award, reflecting our collective dedication to The Rotary Foundation.

Rotary Foundation Session Representation

At the conference, PP Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani shared the stage alongside PDG Rtn. Ruchir Jani and PDG Rtn. Shrikant Indani during an impactful Rotary Foundation Session conducted by DRFC Rtn. Prashant Jani.

This moment showcased our club's strong engagement and commitment to Rotary's mission.

Individual Honors & Recognitions

- **PP Rtn. Sarju Patel**
Recipient of the Services Avenue Award
- **PP Rtn. Paresh Kalavadia**
Recipient of the Individual TRF Award
- **IPP Rtn. Jaydeep Vadher**
Recipient of the Individual TRF Award
- **Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani**
Recognition for representing the club at the Foundation Session



A Birthday Celebrated Through Service

In a heartwarming gesture of generosity, PP Rtn. Paresh Kalavadia & Rtn. Seema Kalavadia, already Major Donor – Level 2, marked Rtn. Seema Kalavadia's 50th birthday by announcing an additional contribution, elevating their commitment to Major Donor – Level 3.

This gracious celebration on the District Conference stage transformed a personal milestone into a beautiful act of service and giving.



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A Conference to Remember

From generosity and recognition to leadership and inspiration, the Sangmarmar Conference reflected the vibrant spirit, service commitment, and unity of Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater.



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Dear Rotarians, Anns & Annets,

Every heart carries a story, every mind holds a thought, and sometimes a few beautiful lines can brighten someone's day.

Our Club Bulletin and GML would love to showcase the voices of our Rotary family. If you enjoy writing, reflecting, or simply sharing something close to your heart, this is your little stage.

- A poem
- A short write-up
- A personal reflection
- A meaningful story
- Or any heartfelt piece you would love to share

Send it to us, and we would be truly delighted to feature your contribution in print and celebrate it with the entire Rotary community.

Let your words travel from your heart... to our pages.



ANN. DEVAL MEHTA

Whispers from the Heart

The 5-Minute Pause That Changes Everything

7-Day Stillness Challenge

Day 1–2 : Settle into Stillness

- Take a slow, deep breath
- Chant Aum softly 3 times
- Relax your shoulders and face

This signals the body that it is safe to slow down.

Day 3–4 : Create a Calm Atmosphere

- Play soft meditation music (optional)
- Sit near a window or open space
- Feel nature — breeze, sunlight, greenery
- Even a small touch of nature quiets the senses.

Day 5–7 : Let Stillness Happen

Slow breath. Soft mind. No effort.

You may sit for 5 minutes...

and suddenly notice 15 minutes have passed.

Not because you tried to meditate,
but because you allowed stillness.

Imagine the moment just before sunrise. The world is quiet. The air is still. Nothing rushes, nothing demands.

Now compare that to our daily lives — phone buzzing, decisions piling up, conversations overlapping and responsibilities chasing us before breakfast. We have mastered these movements.

But we have forgotten stillness.

Daily stillness is not about escaping life. It is about returning to it with clarity.

When we pause — even for five minutes — the mind untangles itself. Stress loosens. Reactions soften into thoughtful responses. In that quiet space, we begin to hear what truly matters. A still mind listens better. A calm heart responds with compassion. A grounded spirit serves without exhaustion.

Before the day gathers speed, sit in silence. Breathe slowly. Let your thoughts settle like dust after a storm.

From that calm center, step into the day — clearer, kinder, and ready to serve.

Stillness is not time lost. It is strength discovered.

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