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## A New Chapter Unfolds : 2025-26

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1st July	Rtn. Vasant Ramani	98252 30521
4th July	Rtn. Dinkar Desai	98795 95424
4th July	Ann. Rajvi Priyank Bharad	99795 03655
5th July	Rtn. Bhavik Shah	98795 10062
5th July	Ann. Pinkal Vijesh Jadvani	97238 90869
6th July	Rtn. Amit Mehta	98250 76392
6th July	Rtn. Chandresh Tratiya	92276 12384
6th July	Rtn. Madhuri Kotecha	70433 35551
7th July	Rtn. Ashwin Unadkat	98242 12721
7th July	Ann. Namrata Dhruv Kakkad	997421 0006
7th July	Rtn. Gaurang Patel	98258 04011
9th July	Ann. Komal Dipen Patel	98793 15222
14th July	Ann. Jigna Prashant Parsana	98792 22887
14th July	Rtn. Rajen Koradia	90999 66610



## ANNIVERSARY

1st July	Rtn. Sahadevsinh & Ann. Sadhna Vaghela	98250 78926	98250 78927
2nd July	Rtn. Dharmesh & Ann. Sakshi Kotecha	99090 19900	99092 19900
5th July	Rtn. Mehul & Ann. Vidhi Nathvani	94269 18628	94277 24836
5th July	Rtn. Vipul & Ann. Kinjal Kotak	99096 12225	98790 18883
7th July	Rtn. Dhruv & Ann. Namrata Kakkad	90995 60605	99742 10006
09th July	Rtn. Sudhir & Ann. Anjana Vithlani	98242 49358	97235 92027
10th July	Rtn. Ashok & Ann. Bhavna Vaishnav	98250 79938	98795 79938
14th July	Rtn. Binesh & Ann. Sonal Patel	94273 55924	94295 79453

## A New Chapter unfolds - 39th Installation Ceremony

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

It gives us immense pleasure to invite you to the 39th Installation Ceremony of the Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater, where we shall celebrate leadership, service, and the beginning of a new Rotary year.

**Date : Saturday, 13th July 2025**

**Venue : Regency Lagoon Resort, Rajkot**

**Time : 6:00 PM Onwards**

The ceremony will be graced by the esteemed District Governor Rtn. Amardeep Singh Bunet, who will formally install the incoming Board for the year 2025-26, led by :

President : Rtn. Jaydev Shah

Hon. Secretary : Rtn. Anup Joshi

Let us come together wholeheartedly to support to the new leadership as they embark on a journey of service above self.

Your gracious presence will make the occasion even more special.



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## Greetings from Heart - President Rtn. Jaydev Shah

With immense pride, humility, and heartfelt gratitude, I step into the Rotary Year 2025–26 as the President of the prestigious and vibrant Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater.

It is a matter of great honor to be entrusted with this responsibility — a legacy shaped by visionary leaders, compassionate members, and over three decades of relentless service. As I take on this role, I am deeply aware of the trust placed in me and I assure you, I will leave no stone unturned to uphold and elevate the values we stand for.

Guided by the Rotary motto “**Service Above Self**,” my vision for this year is rooted in action, inclusivity, and impact. I aim to lead our club with integrity, transparency, and a heart full of service. Our focus will remain on creating transformative projects in healthcare, education, environment, and community development — reaching the underserved, empowering the marginalized, and bringing hope where it’s needed most.

But Rotary is not just about service — it’s also about **connection**. I will make every effort to ensure that our members feel engaged, heard, and appreciated. With thoughtfully planned **fellowship events**, meaningful **club activities**, and continuous **leadership opportunities**, I hope to build an environment where each member feels proud to belong.

Guided by Rotary International’s theme “**Unite for Good**”, we’re bringing people, ideas, and action together — not just to serve, but to **serve better**.

And with our District 3060’s energy-charged theme “**Team Achievers**”, we’re ready to show what unstoppable teamwork looks like.

I am blessed to have the mentorship of our esteemed Past Presidents and the unwavering support of my fellow Rotarians. Together, with this collective strength, I believe we will set new benchmarks and achieve greater milestones for our club and community.

Let us make this year **memorable, meaningful**, and truly **Greater** - in spirit, in action, and in impact.

**Rtn. Jaydev Shah**

President, (RY 2025–26 )

Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater.



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## Greetings from Heart - Hon. Secretary Rtn. Anup Joshi

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

It is with great honor and enthusiasm that I extend my warmest greetings through this inaugural issue of **Greater Times**—our club’s official newsletter for the Rotary year 2025–26.

This newsletter is more than just an update—it’s a bridge connecting every member of our

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vibrant club, a reflection of our values, and a record of our collective service to society.

Under the inspiring leadership of **President Rtn. Jaydev Shah**, our club enters a new Rotary year full of possibilities. With over 158 committed members and a rich legacy of impactful service, Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater is well-positioned to achieve even greater milestones across all 7 focus areas of Rotary.

Our club is known not just for the scale of its projects, but also for the passion of its people. Through this newsletter, we aim to:

- **Celebrate achievements**
- **Document impactful service**
- **Engage members regularly**
- **Encourage contributions from all**

I sincerely invite each one of you to contribute—be it through stories, ideas, photos, or reflections. Your voice matters, and this platform belongs to all of us.

Let's make this Rotary year one of stronger fellowship, bolder action, and deeper connections.

Yours in Rotary,

**Rtn. Anup Joshi**

Secretary, 2025–26  
Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater



**Greetings from Heart - D.G. Rtn. Amardeep Singh Bunet**

Rotary District 3060 has always been a beacon of leadership, service, and innovation, and it is our proud legacy that continues to inspire us.

We stand tall today because of the vision and tireless efforts of our past leaders whose contributions have shaped the district and laid a strong foundation of service and fellowship.

As we look ahead, we must embrace the changing world with open arms and a renewed sense of responsibility. Membership being our one of the highest priority, with a focus on not just growing our numbers but nurturing meaningful, value-driven engagement across Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact. Each member is vital, and we must strive to make every Rotarian feel inspired, involved, and empowered.

Strengthening The Rotary Foundation remains key, as it enables us to multiply our impact through life-changing projects—from dialysis centers and cancer diagnostics to clean water initiatives, educational support, and skill development. I urge each of you to make giving to The Rotary Foundation as a part of your family celebrations, as your contributions can touch lives close to home and across the world.

In the coming year, we will advance powerful initiatives like the 3R Project, e-waste



recycling, tree plantation, eye donation drives, medical camps, RYLA for youth leadership, and continued literacy efforts, along with scholarships for underprivileged students. Through the GKP Village Project, we aim to reach the unreached and transform entire communities.

We will also strengthen fellowship through vibrant district events and the much-awaited District Conference, Sang-e-Marmar at Agra.

My dear Presidents, Secretaries, and fellow Rotarians—this is our time to rise, to lead with purpose, and to build a Rotary that is more impactful, inclusive, and far-reaching.

Let us move forward together to serve, to connect, and to write the next inspiring chapter of Rotary District 3060.

Jai Hind, Jai Rotary

## A word from the Editor - Ann. Deval Mehta

*"Har lafz mein chhupi ho ek kahaani,  
Har panne pe likhi ho ek nayi zubaani,  
Yeh patrika bane hum sab ka aaina,  
Jisme dikhayi de Rotary ki asli kahaani."*



With a heart full of gratitude and joy, I take on this cherished role of editor. I would like to specially thank **President Rtn Jaydev Shah & Secretary Rtn Anup Joshi** to consider me eligible for this Role.

I joined Rotary to be part of a family that serves with heart and uplifts each other with warmth and respect. It's been an inspiring journey, and I feel honored to be trusted as editor.

This opportunity gives me the chance to learn from the wisdom of our experienced and respected members. Through this magazine, I want to be a voice for Rotary's values, achievements, and energy. I will do my best to honor the responsibility entrusted to me and make sure I do justice to the role.

This magazine will be a soulful reflection of our service, our stories, and the beautiful bonds we share. From celebrating milestones to highlighting our members' thoughts and talents, every edition will carry the heartbeat of our Rotary spirit.

I am also excited to share that this year, we're adding a touch of innovation—a QR code section in the magazine that will connect you instantly to videos, event highlights, and more!

With deep gratitude, I extend heartfelt thanks to our past editor, Ashini Modi, whose thoughtful efforts and unwavering dedication have beautifully shaped this platform. Her work has left behind a trail of inspiration for me.

I warmly invite all my friends & parivaar memmbers to share your writings, ideas, poems, artworks, or even simple thoughts. After all, it's not just my magazine—it's ours.

Let's fill its pages with purpose, positivity, and the Greater warmth we all carry within us. Here's to a Rotary year filled with love, laughter, learning—and leaving a legacy through words.

**Ann. Deval Mehta**

Club Editor (2025-26)

Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater



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## Words of Gratitude - IPP Rtn. Jaydeep Vadher

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*"Acknowledging the good that you already have in your life is the foundation for all abundance."*

— Eckhart Tolle

Dear fellow Rotarians,

Today, as I write my thank-you letter as President to the club, I realize how fast time flies. At this moment, I recall all my memories—from my induction in 2015-16 to my installation on 6th July 2024. And this year, i.e. 2024-25, had wings like an eagle—it passed in just a fraction of a second. Now, it's time to say goodbye to the President's post.

First, I feel very fortunate that the members of RCRG—one of the most vibrant clubs of Rotary District 3060—believed in me and gave me the opportunity to lead the club as President. Thank you very much to all the members of the club.

During my tenure, the club gave me lots of love and guided me for the betterment of society. Thank you to all past presidents, committee chairs, committee members, and mentors of the club.

As we all know, "Talent wins games, but teamwork wins championships." So, to my board members—the magical team of 2024-25—thank you very much for your commitment, efforts, energy, and time for the club. With your hard work, we successfully completed this year.

Without support from top leadership, we cannot achieve anything. So, thank you very much DG Rtn. Tushar Shah. Tusharbhai is indeed one of the most polite and pure-hearted men I have ever seen. Your positive attitude always encouraged us to serve society in a better way. Your leadership has given new heights to Rotary District 3060.

Pankajbhai and Harishing—you both are hidden gems of our club. Thank you for your support during the year.

Now, when I relive the year from 2024-25, there are so many beautiful memories. Here are a few glimpses:

- **Night Marathon 2.0** - With 4800+ registrations, RCRG and RR spread the message "Say No to Drugs" to society.
- **Speaker Meeting on Family Values** by Dr. Pu. Gyanvatsal Swami – With 2500+ attendees and 8400+ YouTube viewers, this meeting benefited many.
- **Project Gyan Anjali - Adhyapan** - With 50,000+ notebooks (i.e., 5600+ kits) distributed, we executed a major project with a huge investment of human hours.

Whatever efforts were made by us, society will remember this year for the permanent projects we initiated:

1. Donated ₹51 lakhs to Panchnath Mahadev Trust School with the support of **Sovarian Metals Pvt. Ltd.**
2. Donated ₹70 lakhs to Cancer Society Rajkot for a laparoscopy unit with the support of **GN Altech Pvt. Ltd.**
3. Donated a laparoscopy machine to Lalubhai Trust Hospital in Savarkundla with the support of **Global Grant & Shilpa Lifestyle.**
4. Finalized a check dam project at Jasvantpur site, near Umiyadham Temple, with the support of **Gir Ganga Trust.**

All the above projects, events, and achievements were possible only due to the support of four very special people:



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- **Aashish Joshi** - Without you, I cannot imagine this year. You supported me at every step—from early morning calls to late-night coffee sips. With you, I truly enjoyed serving as President. Your resources and constant backing made my job easier.
- **Urvashi** - You were my backbone this year. Thank you for being in my life and for your support throughout.
- **Bhavya & Simolee** - Both of you are very mature. For the past two years, due to Rotary and business, I couldn't give you the time you deserve. But your understanding and patience supported me throughout the year.

And lastly, best wishes to the upcoming President Rtn. Jaydev Shah and Team 2025-26 for a successful year ahead. May our club reach new heights under your leadership in all areas of Rotary.

लोकाः समस्ताः सुखिनी भवन्तु (*Let the entire world be happy.*)

*With heartfelt gratitude and Rotary spirit,*

Yours in Service,

**Rtn. Jaydeep Vadher**

*President 2024-25,*

*Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater*

## From Past Secretary Rtn. Aashish Joshi

My Greater Parivar.

Mahadev Har.....

Hope you are all good of grace of the Almighty...

It is with a heart full of gratitude and deep respect that I stand before you today. As I look back on this Rotary year, I feel immensely honored to have served as the Secretary of our esteemed Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater for the year 2024–25.



First and foremost, a special thanks to our President, who believed in me and had the faith to entrust me with this responsibility. Your confidence in me has been a pillar of strength throughout this journey.

A big thank you to my fellow board members. Your collaboration, ideas, and support have made this year not just successful but also memorable.

I want to especially thank Pankaj Bhai and Harisinh Bhai, who stood by us and supported us whenever work came in at the last moment. Your timely help has been truly invaluable.

To all the Rotarians, Anns, and Annets who contributed to every project with dedication and enthusiasm — thank you. Your spirit of service and unity is what makes this club so special.

I am deeply thankful to each and every club member for your unwavering support. A special mention to my wife Hetal, whose constant support and understanding helped me balance my responsibilities and commitments with grace.

This year was not without personal hardship. During my term as Secretary, I lost my dear mother. It was an incredibly



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difficult time, but the way our club stood by me—not just as a club, but as a greater family—will forever remain deeply rooted in my memory. That support gave me strength, and I will never forget it for the rest of my life.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge something from the heart. If at any time during the year, anyone—be it the club or a fellow member—had expectations from me that I was unable to meet, I humbly ask for your understanding. I am, after all, a human being, and I sincerely ask for your forgiveness if I fell short in any way.

Thank you once again for giving me this opportunity to serve. It has been a year of learning, growth, and heartfelt moments.

Warm Regards.

Yours in Rotary.

**Rtn.AAashish J.Joshi**

*Secretary 24-25,*

*Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater*

## From Past Editor Ashini Modi

Serving as the Editor of the official bulletin of Rotary Club of Rajkot Greater - "Greater Times" has been a truly fulfilling journey. It was more than just compiling pages—it was about capturing the spirit of our club, the energy of our members, and the impact of our collective efforts.

This journey gave me the chance to learn, create, and grow. Every edition was a new experience—filled with stories, achievements, and the values that define Rotary. It has been an enriching experience that not only allowed me to contribute creatively but also helped me grow and learn immensely along the way.

A special note of thanks to President Rtn. Jaydeep Vadher for trusting me with this responsibility. Your confidence, encouragement, and vision made this role meaningful, and I'm sincerely grateful for the opportunity. I would also like to thank Hon. Secretary Rtn. Aashish Joshi for always being responsive, motivative and his words of appreciation towards my work. I would also like to specially thank Rtn. Apoorva Modi for encouraging me to take up the role and his continued support and guidance has been of great value.

I convey my best wishes to dear friend Ann. Deval Kushal Mehta to take the journey ahead.

As I move forward, I assure my continued dedication to serve our esteemed club to the best of my abilities. Together, let us continue to spread the spirit of Rotary with enthusiasm and purpose.

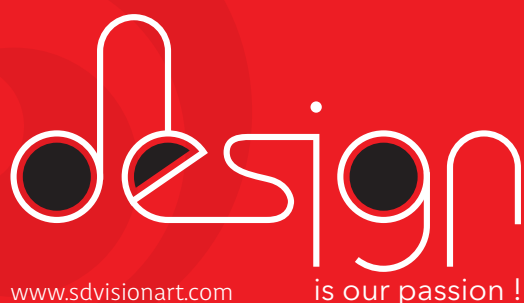
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Yours in Rotary,

**Ann. Ashini Apoorva Modi**

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