

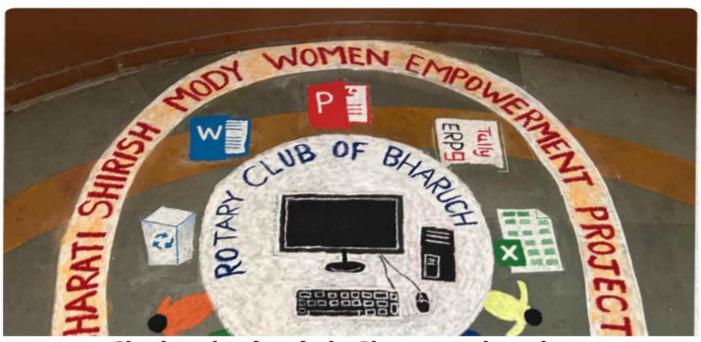
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**Rotary Club of Bharuch** 

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She breaks the chain, She owns the reign.



# **Project: Bharati Shirish Mody women Empowerment Project**

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### **PRESIDENT'S DESK**

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

September marks the beginning of the festive season, a time of joy, togetherness, and gratitude. It also reminds us that in Rotary, every month is a celebration—of service, of compassion, and of the bonds we share as one family.

This month holds special

significance as it reminds us of Rotary's focus on Basic Education and Literacy. Education is the foundation of empowerment, and it is our duty to ensure that knowledge and opportunities reach every child, every family, and every community. Through our efforts—whether it be supporting schools, organizing awareness sessions, or encouraging skill-building—we are not just teaching lessons, but shaping futures.

Looking back at August, it fills me with pride to share that our club carried out a series of impactful initiatives. We celebrated Independence Day with great patriotism, organized a Heritage Quiz to connect the younger generation with our rich culture, and conducted awareness talks on breast feeding and menstrual hygiene to promote women's health and dignity. Certificates were distributed under our Women Empowerment program, reinforcing our commitment to gender equality. We also organized a Blood Donation Camp, carried out



Tree Plantation drives for a greener tomorrow, and reached out to communities through a Medical Camp and Eye Check-up Camp. Our eco-friendly Ganpati making workshop spread the message of sustainability and cultural heritage while our signature initiative Uphaar continued to spread joy by

supporting the underprivileged.

Each of these initiatives has been a testament to the power of service, fellowship, and compassion that defines our Rotary family. I am truly proud of the dedication shown by every member in making these projects a grand success. Let us continue to spread smiles, touch lives, and build a legacy of service that will inspire generations to come. Together, as the Rotary Club of Bharuch, we have the power to transform challenges into opportunities and dreams into reality.

Thank you for being the heart and soul of our club. Let us move forward with renewed energy, celebrating our unity and living our motto—Service Above Self.

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." – Mahatma Gandhi With warm regards,

> - Rtn. CA Bhavesh Hariyani President 2025-26





**DRISHTI – Bright Vision, Brighter Future #6 & #7:** RC Bharuch organised Eye Check-Up Camps under Project DRISHTI were successfully conducted at the following schools: **Lal Bajaar Mukhya Mishra Shala No. 57** - 42 students were examined, out of which 3 students were identified for further detailed examination. **Tarabai Maalji Mishra Shala No. 22** - 27 students were examined, out of which 5 students were identified for further detailed examination.

Heartfelt thanks to Project Chair Rtn. Dr. Amit Sethi for his committed

leadership and to Sevashram Hospital for their unwavering support in bringing clearer vision to young lives.

### A Promising Start to a Lifesaving Mission!- Swasthya Saathi:

Rotary Club of Bharuch proudly kick started its new health initiative-Swasthya Saathi with a resounding success!

First Free Medical Camp at Ghamnad village, organized in association with Welfare Hospital Bharuch and Matroja Parivar, witnessed: 250 people took benefit of the camp through free diagnosis and necessary medication.17 patients identified for further diagnosis, treatment, or surgical support.

Heartfelt thanks to Project Chair Rtn. Dr. Suketu Dave, Ann. Dr. Anju Hariyani, the dedicated team of doctors, staff of Welfare Hospital and all our enthusiastic volunteers who made this camp meaningful through their service and commitment. This impactful beginning sets the tone for many more efforts under Swasthya Saathi to come!





**Interschool Patriotic Song Competition** — A Celebration of Unity & **Youthful Spirit**: RC Bharuch is delighted to share that the Interschool Patriotic Song Competition organized by RC Bharuch in collaboration with Rotaract Club of Bharuch, at M. I. Patel Rotary Youth Centre.

With participation from 11 schools across Bharuch & Ankleshwar, the event brought together young voices that poured their hearts into melodies celebrating our nation's spirit. It was a beautiful reminder of how music can unite us and inspire pride in our roots. A big shout out to the incredible Rotaract team who made this event possible. Rtr.

Nandita Chauhan led the charge as Event Chair, supported by Rtr. Prexa Mahant as Event Co-Chair. Special thanks to RCC Rtn. Nishant Sonawala for necessary coordination.









**PRISHTI** — **Bright Vision, Brighter Future #8:** RC Bharuch organised Eye Check-Up Camp under Project DRISHTI was successfully conducted at Navi Vasahat Lahori Godown Prathmik Mishra shala No.49. A total of 26 students were examined, out of which 5 students were identified for further detailed examination.







Breast feeding Awareness Week Initiative – A Heartfelt

**Success:** RC Bharuch is delighted to share that our special awareness session at Eva Maternity Home was a meaningful and impactful event.

RC Bharuch extends sincere gratitude to Rtn. Dr. Pragati Barot and Ann. Dr. Nitisha Shah for their enlightening talks, which empowered mothers, dispelled myths, and promoted healthier futures. The session

was streamed LIVE on Facebook & Instagram- special thanks to Rtn. Dr. Khushbu Modh for making it possible. This project was beautifully handled by the spouses of RC Bharuch.



### Menstrual Hygiene Awareness

**Talk:** Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Talk at SNPS School was successfully conducted, giving girl students essential knowledge on menstrual health and hygiene. A heartfelt thank you to Rtn. Dr.



Pragati Barot for delivering an insightful and empowering session, and to Project Chair Rtn. Brajesh Saraswat for leading this initiative.







DRISHTI – Bright Vision, Brighter Future #9, 10 & 11: Eye Check-Up Camp under Project DRISHTI at Santoshi Navi Vasahat Mishra Shala 1 No. 42, Santoshi Navi Vasahat Mishra Shala 2 No. 45 & Limdi Chowk Mishra shala No.17. A total of 90 students were examined, out of which 4 students were identified for further detailed examination. Heartfelt thanks to Project Chair Rtn. Dr. Amit Sethi for his dedicated coordination and to Sevashram Hospital for their continued support in making this initiative impactful.

Plant Today, Prosper Tomorrow! — A Green Initiative by Rotary Club of Bharuch: RC Bharuch is delighted to share the successful completion of Phase 2 of the Tree Plantation Drive on Monday, 11th August at Shishu Ghar, Naari Kendra, Bharuch. Over 20 saplings were planted in collaboration with RCC Bharuch, adding more green to our community's heart.

Heartfelt thanks to Project Chair Rtn. Pravin Purohit for his dedication in planning and executing this meaningful drive. Let's continue to nurture such efforts that leave lasting roots in our community and a greener planet for generations to come.



**Global Grant Milestone Achieved:** RC Bharuch inaugurated Rotary Global Grant 2461179, upgrading the existing Shroff Punamchand Devchand Rotary Diagnostic Centre with modern Pathology and Radiology (Sonography) Machines. The inauguration was done by District Governor Amardeep Singh Bunet, in the august presence of PDG Parag Sheth & PDG Nihir Dave.

This Global Grant project of total value US \$ 52,862 (45 lakhs approx.) was initiated in Rotary Year 2023—24 by PP Rizwana Talkin Zamindar under the guidance of Global Grant Coordinator CDG Dr. Ashok Kapadia & Primary Contact PP Dr. Vikram Premkumar.

RC Bharuch is thankful to: The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

RC Gore Bay RID 7010 Canada

PP Ilaben Shah, RC Charlotte Hall, Primary Contact, RC Charlotte Hall, RID 7620 USA

PDG Margaret Walton, DRFC RID 7010

PDG Prashant Jani, DRFC

RC Bharuch is also grateful to PDG Parag Sheth & PP Punam Sheth for their generous directed gift for this Global Grant. Special thanks to SPD RDC Chairman Rtn. Zubin Jambusarwala, SPD RDC Secretary Rtn. CA Akshar Mehta, SPD RDC Treasurer Rtn. Dr. Amit Sethi, PP Talkin Zamindar, PP Dr. Vanrajsinh Mahida & Rtn. Dr. Mukund Sheth for their meticulous implementation efforts.



Beti Bachao Beti Padhao - Empowering Girls - Building Better Citizens: RC Bharuch, in collaboration with Anand Niketan Bharuch Campus, successfully conducted an awareness session at

Adijati Vikas Kanya Chhatralay (Girl Juvenile Home).

The session focused on teaching the basics of politics and citizenship to young girls, helping

them understand their rights, responsibilities, and the role they play in building a better society. Special thanks to Project Chair IPP Rachana Poddar for the necessary coordination.





Independence Day Celebration – United in Spirit: RC Bharuch along with MIPRYC, proudly celebrated the 79th Independence Day of India at MIPRYC. The Tricolour was hoisted by Chief Guest DG Amardeep Singh Bunet, followed by the National Anthem resonating with patriotism and pride. The special highlight was a heartfelt Speech on Independence Day by little Aarya Prashant Ruia, whose words added innocence and inspiration to the celebration.

Members and guests came together to honor the sacrifices of our freedom fighters and reaffirm our commitment to the nation's progress. Sincere thanks to MIPRYC Chair PP Prashant Ruia and his team for all the arrangements.

**Installation Ceremony:** RC Bharuch, along with Rungta Vidya Bhavan, proudly hosted the Installation Ceremony of the Interact Club of Rungta Vidya Bhavan. Int. Divya Patel took charge as Club President and Int. Farhan Balapatel as Hon. Secretary, along with the Board for 2025–26. The ceremony was graced by Rtn. CA Bhavesh Hariyani, President, RC Bharuch, as the Installing Officer.

The event was well attended by students, faculty, and Rotarians, reflecting the strong bond between Rotary and educational institutions in nurturing young leaders. Special thanks to Er. Kulwant Marwal (Campus Director, Rungta Vidya Bhavan) and Rtr. Divyajeetsinh Zala (Principal, Rungta Vidya Bhavan) for their support in making this programme a success.









National Heritage Quiz – City Round: RC Bharuch, in collaboration with the INTACH Bharuch Chapter, successfully hosted the first-ever National Heritage Quiz – City Round in Bharuch at M. I. Patel Rotary Youth Center (MIPRYC), Bharuch. 19 Schools with over 74 students participated in this historic event.

Special thanks to Chanderbala Modi Academy Ankleshwar School, Principal Mr. Ramjee Nagarjan and team for managing the quiz so well. Heartfelt gratitude to Ann. Sujata Rao for her valuable coordination.

The winners from Bharuch will now move ahead to represent at the next level in Baroda. This milestone event has opened new opportunities for our students and strengthened awareness of India's rich cultural heritage.



**Plant Today, Prosper Tomorrow!**: We are delighted to share the successful completion of our 3rd Tree Plantation Drive, organized jointly with RCC Bharuch at Kukarwada Children's Home, Near Civil Line, Bharuch. 100 saplings were planted, adding more greenery and hope for a healthier tomorrow. Along with this, a delicious and nutritious meal was also served to the children, making the day even more joyful and memorable. Special thanks to Project Chair Rtn. Pravin Purohit for his dedication and efforts in making this initiative impactful.



**Blood Donation Camp – A Gift of Life :** On the occasion of World Brotherhood Day, RC Bharuch, in collaboration with Brahma Kumaris and Samaj Seva Samiti (RERF), organized Raktadan Abhiyan 2025 at Brahmakumaris, Anubhuti Dham, Zadeshwar, Bharuch.

The camp witnessed an inspiring response, with 80 units of blood collected from generous donors. Each contribution truly became a gift of life, spreading hope and compassion to those in need. Heartfelt thanks to Project Chair Rtn. Dr. Suresh Rao for his leadership. Special appreciation to District Blood Donation Chair Rtn. Dr. Kirtirajsinh Gohil for his dedicated coordination and support in making the camp a success. This noble initiative once again reflected the spirit of Rotary in action – serving humanity and bringing the community together for a greater cause.



**Empowering Fitness with Life-Saving Skills:** RC Bharuch organized an impactful CPR Training Session at MIPRYC. The session was conducted by Dr. Kalpesh Jain from Sevashram Hospital, who shared expert guidance on the importance of immediate response during cardiac emergencies. Over 25 participants, including gym trainers and gym goers, enthusiastically engaged in learning practical, hands-on CPR techniques that could save lives in critical moments.

This initiative was made possible through the dedicated efforts of Project Chair Rtn. Amar Shadadpuri, whose planning and execution ensured its success. A heartfelt thank you to Rtn. Virag Thakore for his crucial coordination with Sevashram Hospital, and to Rtn. Kishore Shahadadpuri for



his valuable support throughout the event. This training not only empowered fitness professionals but also promoted a culture of preparedness, responsibility, and community care.



**Eco-Friendly Ganpati Making Workshop:** RC Bharuch, jointly with the Rotaract Club of Bharuch and Interact Club of Bharuch, organized an Eco-Friendly Ganpati Making Workshop at MIPRYC. The workshop was a creative celebration of Ganesh Chaturthi in a sustainable way, where 35 participants from all age groups joyfully crafted eco-friendly idols that are kind to nature and encourage environmental responsibility.

Heartfelt thanks to Faculty Mr. Vishal Ramavat for his guidance and to Project Chair Rtn. Gunjan Mehta for planning



and executing the project with dedication. A special highlight of this initiative is that it was beautifully managed by the Spouses of RC Bharuch, showcasing their creativity, dedication, and wholehearted involvement in service. This meaningful initiative not only promoted creativity but also spread awareness about celebrating festivals in harmony with the environment.

**DRISHTI** — **Bright Vision, Brighter Future #12:** RC Bharuch is happy to share that the Eye Check-Up Camp under Project DRISHTI was conducted at Gayatri Nagar Mishra Shala No. 56. A total of 70 students were examined, out of which 3 students were identified for further detailed examination. Heartfelt thanks to Project Chair Rtn. Dr. Amit Sethi for his dedicated coordination and to Sevashram Hospital for their continued support in making this initiative impactful.





**DRISHTI – Bright Vision, Brighter Future #13**: RC Bharuch organized Eye Check-Up Camp under Project DRISHTI was conducted at Gayatri Nagar Mishra Shala No. 50. A total of 50 students were examined, out of which 3 students were identified for further detailed examination.



Celebrating Progress - Certificate & Kit Distribution - Bharati Shirish Mody Women Empowerment Project: RC Bharuch conducted the Certificate and Kit Distribution under The Bharati Shirish Mody Women Empowerment Project at Shri Rang Navchetan Mahila Arts College, Valia. The program was graced by Chief Guest PP Rtn. Kamlesh Udani- Bharati Shirish Mody Foundation. Women who completed their three-month training in Sewing and Beauty Parlour received certificates, while kits were handed over to the new batch of trainees. This initiative continues to

empower women through skill development and supports their journey toward self-reliance.

Special thanks to our generous donor Bharati Shirish Mody Foundation for sponsoring the project, to PP Rtn. Dr. Vanrajsinh Mahida for the necessary coordination, and to Shri Rang Navchetan Mahila Arts College for providing their premises to carry out this Project. With this permanent project, more than 700+ women are benefitted every year.

Kudos to Project Chair Rtn. Dr. Pratiksha Mahida for leading with dedication and to all Rotarians who joined in to celebrate and encourage the participants.







### **PROUD MOMENT**



RC Bharuch has received the Club Excellence Award for RY 2024–25 from Rotary International. Kudos and congratulations to IPP Rachana Poddar, Past Secretary Rahul Mehta and the entire Team 2024–25 for their outstanding leadership and impactful service.



A Historic Milestone for Rotary Club of Bharuch!

Rotary Club of Bharuch has been recognized as a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club and has received the Flag for the same which is an honor given only once in a lifetime of any Club.

This prestigious recognition reflects the dedication, generosity, and commitment of each and every member of our club towards the ideals of

Rotary and the vision of Service Above Self. This achievement is not just an honor, but a testament to the unity and spirit of our Rotary family. Together, we have created an impact that will inspire generations to come.

### ROTARY CLUB OF BHARUCH

Feeling immensely proud to share the remarkable achievements of our rising star, Abhilaksh Patel, son of Rtn Gautam Patel and Ann Bhavisha Patel, who has been consistently shining in the Gujarat State Table Tennis circuit!

Over the course of four State Ranking Tournaments (GSTTA) in 2025, Abhilaksh has delivered an exceptional performance: 3 Gold medals and 1 Silver medal.

At the 3rd GSTTA State Ranking Tournament in Anand, he clinched: Gold in Under-17, Bronze in Under-19 and reached the Quarter Finals in Men's Category, placing him among the Top 8 players.

At the 4th State Ranking Tournament in Jamnagar, he added another Gold in Under-17.

He is currently, 1st Seed in U-17 Category, Ranked in the Top 8 in U-19 and Men's Category

This is an incredible milestone, showcasing not only his talent but also his dedication, discipline, and love for the game. A long journey lies ahead with greater goals, and Abhilaksh is on the right path to achieve them! Keep rising, keep shining!!!



### **PROJECT UPHAAR 2.0**

### SHARING SMILES, SPREADING UPHAAR

RC Bharuch present Uphaar 2.0 - the joy of giving continues. In the month of august, RC Bharuch celebrated birthdays of Rotarians and spouses with different Aanganwadi (Raghuvir Tenaments, Navi Vasahat 1 & 2, Navlakha milni chal and Jayprakash) hildren by serving wholesome, delicious and nutritious meals spreading smiles and embrasing the true spirit of giving.

RC Bahruch is thankful to Project Chair Rtn. Dr. Pragati Barot and Greetings Chair Rtn. Manthan shah for coordinative this beautiful initiative.









# **R I News**

# Olayinka Hakeem Babalola

Rotary International President, 2026-27

He is from Rotary Club of Trans Amadi, Port Harcourt, Nigeria)

Olayinka Hakeem Babalola is regional safety manager responsible for Shell Petroleum's upstream oil and gas activities in sub-Saharan Africa and chair of the board of directors of Riviera Nigeria Ltd., an oil and gas engineering consortium.

Babalola has served RI as VP 1

2019-20, Endowment/Major Gifts Adviser, RI training leader, member of the Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers, committee member, and president's representative.

Babalola is a recipient of RI's Service Above Self Award, The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service, and the Rotary regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World. He and his wife, Preba, are Foundation Benefactors and Major Donors. They support the Foundation through a named endowment fund and as members of the Arch Klumph Society.



# **PARTNER IN SERVICE**

Celebration of friendship day at Pustakghar, Zadeshwar



**RCC Bharuch** 

Sari – Pent distribution at tadiya area in Bharuch



Good touch - Bad touch awareness program for 275 students at Unioun School



Raksha bandhan Celebration at Ghardaghar, Bharuch

Food Distribution at seva Yagna samity



Seminar on Organ Donation for students of J. P. Arts and Science Collage **Bharuch** 



Tree Plantation at Shishu Gruh Bharuch (RCC & Rotary Club Jointly)



"Avo pustak ne maliye" at RCC pustak ghar Bharuch.



Library day celebration - Campaign for library awareness at Pustak Ghar





Janmastami Celebration with students of Union High School



Celebration of Pateti at Rtn. Zubin bhai's home.

# **PARTNER IN SERVICE**

### **RCC Bharuch**





Independence Day celebration at Juna Bajar Pustakalay Bharuch



Farali Food Vitran to Kavdia Yatri at Chakala, Bharuch



Aarati Competition for RCC members



Celebrated World Photography Day and honoured RCC Photographers



Aanganvadi smruti Chinh mahotsav at Aktanagar Aanganvadi



Participated in Sandhya Aarati at Shiv Mahotsav Tapovan Sankul



Food distribution at Seva Yagn Samiti



Tree Plantation at children home Kukarvada (Rotary Club & RCC Jointly )



Cloth distribution at Girls home, Nadelav road, Bharuch



Aarti competition and Prize Distributed at Shravan vidhya Dham



Ganesh Aarti at RCC'S Board Members Residence



Ayushman vay vandana card camp with Innerwheel Club and Streemandal at Chunarwad



5 Sept	Rtn. Bhavesh Hariyani	9898295007	20 Sept	Rtn. Kamlesh Udani	9898766888
5 Sept	Rtn. Prerak Patel	9825337000	21 Sept	Ann. Malti Bhalodwala	9824722334
6 Sept	Rtn. Archana Patel	7600020600	22 Sept	Ann. Jalpa Desai	8000607527
7 Sept	Ann. Dr Kolain Chen	9824183604	23 Sept	Rtn. Rahil D. Patel	8460244840
10 Sept	Rtn. Dr.Pragati Barot	9428175116	25 Sept	Ann. Urvi Desai	9824350122
11 Sept	Rtn. Rajesh Goyal	9824150572	27 Sept	Rtn. Amit Prajapati	9824113237
11 Sept	Ann. Urvina Goyal	9909917801	27 Sept	Ann. Dr Vandana Sethi	9227667115
14 Sept	Rtn. Dr.Sunil Shah	9825029749	28 Sept	Rtn. Anish Parikh	9998014006
16 Sept	Rtn. Bhaveshkumar B Soni	8000644636	28 Sept	Ann. Heena Dalmia	9712398093
17 Sept	Ann. Alka Tambedia	9428687365	29 Sept	Rtn. Kalpesh B.Shah	9825029928



















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Rtn. Pravin Purohit

Rtn. Rachna Poddar

Rtn. Rizvana Zamindar

Rtn. Talkin Zamindar

Rtn. Sarosh Jinwala

Rtn. Zubin Jambusarwala

### **ROTARY BHARUCH PERMANENT PROJECTS**







Shantivan Crematorium



Project Adhar



P.D. Shroff Rotary Diagnostic Centere



Pay & Use Toilet Blocks



Ambulance & Morgue Vehicle



Women Empowerment Project



Mobile Toy Library - Ramakdu



Hum Honge Kamyaab - Literacy



Clean Drinking Water