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*Wishing you and your family a Happy  
Uttarayan, Lohri, Pongal, Magh Bihu, Rann Utsav & Villaku*

## ✦ When we met last Tuesday 07th Jan 2024 ✦

(A Report by Rtn. PP Jagdish Thakkar)

The meeting of 7th January 2025, the first meeting of the year was addressed by a **veteran corporate trainer Mr. Nirmal Parekh**, who was also a part of pre SETS and PETS last year at Surendranagar, His topic as "Leadership Through Service. Pointing out the radical changes made in the political leadership of the country in 2014 and 2019, he said that Leadership is a process of transformation. A true leader sees leadership as ladder to service.

To serve the people and the community, you need not wealth and super intelligence. What you need is an ability to serve the people keeping the self at the base and reach the masses, He said that you to be great to serve but serve to be great. He also quoted the political thinker **Mr. John Gordon**. The leader has to inspire others to follow the thumb rule of service above self.

He also played a very appropriate clipping from the film "Bawarchi" where the **super star Rajesh Khanna** explains the why he chose to be a cook. He also said the true leaders do not lead by manage the people. However, the leader himself must be competent and need to take care of his character first. Though the leader is human being he has to teach the skill of "Being Human".

A true leader should be, by example leaving aside all his ego and get the work done. He also narrated 7 Sins of Life and added one more by explaining the teachings of **Mahatam Gandhi** how he sacrificed himself for the nation.

The meeting started to be orderly by Sargent at arms, 4 Way test by **Rtn. Vivek Duggal**, melodious prayer by Ann **Dr Aditi Vahia** and VOT by **Rtn. PP Jagdish Thakkar**.

The meeting ended with a deep note of value of Service and large attendees also enjoyed the sumptuous food.

✦ From the desk of ✦  
*Yours truly*  
(Rtn. PP Dilip Shah)

## Vocational Services

January marks an important focus in the Rotary calendar — "Vocational Service Month". This theme reminds us of Rotary's core commitment to serving others through our professional lives and using our vocations as a powerful tool for positive change.

January is the perfect time to reflect on how we, as Rotarians, can make a difference through our careers and businesses. Rotary Vocational Service is one of the key avenues of service in Rotary International. It encourages Rotarians to promote high ethical standards, share their expertise, and use their professional skills to make a positive impact in their Communities. It is the Core Pillar of Rotary's guiding principles, emphasizing ethical conduct, respect for professions, and using one's skills to benefit society.

Rotarians are encouraged to maintain integrity, fairness, and accountability in all professional dealings. Ethical behavior builds trust and credibility within communities.

Every legitimate profession plays a vital role in society. Vocational Service promotes the dignity of work, acknowledging that all jobs contribute to the social welfare.

Rotarians are expected to apply their vocational expertise to help others, whether through mentorship, community projects, or offering professional advice. Providing mentorship and career guidance is the key aspect of Vocational Service which includes supporting young professionals with training opportunities and advice.

In short, adhering to the above principles, Vocational Service inspires Rotarians to make a positive impact not only in their communities but also to contribute betterment of society.

## ✦ Birthday Greetings ✦

8th Jan : Rtn. Rajendra Doshi



## ✦ Anniversary Greetings ✦

16th Jan : Rtn. IPP Hiren &amp; Bhumi Shah

17th Jan : Rtn. Anand &amp; Hiral Majmudar



## ✦ SECRETARIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS ✦

HON.SEC. Rtn.PP HEMANG VAHIA

(Closed Business Meeting – Elections for the RY 2025-26) (Thursday – 26.12.2024)

- Service Project Chair **Rtn.PP Anita Jandial** has requested all Rotarians and Anns to be an Organ Donor. Anyone desirous of registering as an Organ Donor, may please contact her for filling-in the online form. This is part of the Monthly Service Project.
- President Umed Fifadra** has ordered 20 School Benches costing Rs.1,500=00 each totaling to Rs.30,000=00 from the District. Once received, the benches will be donated to a needy school.
- Under the aegis of BRHF, RCBJ has received 200 sets of workbooks to be distributed to the students of Balvatikas of Municipal Schools. Details follow.
- Rtn. PP Dr.Vivek Patel** updated the members regarding the forthcoming 12<sup>th</sup> Edition of MGVM International Marathon 2025 scheduled on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025. RCBJ is participating in the NGO Category of 5kms run. Many members of RCBJ including Anns have already registered. Looking forward to this Annual Event.
- We have also received a request from **Shri Jayendrabhai** of Achhali School for Kites and Doras for School Children. The BOD of RCBJ which met earlier today have given their approval. **Rtn. PP Jagdish Thakkar** has confirmed that this amount will be paid to Achhali School from the Rotary Club of Jawaharnagar Charitable Trust.
- The Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Baroda Jawaharnagar met on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 7 pm at Hotel Surya Palace.
- Our Next Meeting will be a Speaker Meeting on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025. **Shri Gaurang Mistry** hailing from Ahmedabad who is a renowned Psychologist, Founder of Law of Understanding & a Numerologist will be speaking on the Subject "Subjective Self with Numerology based on Bhagwat Geeta".
- On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025, a visit to Art Centre located at Jasper, Near Vadodara has been arranged followed by Lunch. The Art Centre, which belongs to **Shri Rakesh Agrawal**, encompasses Global Art. It is a lifetime opportunity to see where passion can take you. Details will follow. According to **Rtn.PP Bharat Shah** who is co-ordinating the above visit says that this centre will sooner or later find a place on the Global Map."
- Collection of Annual / Semi-Annual Dues of all the members of RCBJ for the RY 2024-25 is complete.

## ✦ Winners of the Vishwachakra Quiz Contest ✦

Vishwachakra Issue – 11 – Correct Answer Sent by :

Q-1

1. Ann Dhara Patel
2. Ann Pratibha Sarda
3. Ann Hemal Makhija

Vishwachakra Issue – 12

No Answers Received

Q-2 : No Answers Received

## ✦ PUBLIC IMAGE ✦

**સંક્ષિપ્ત સમાચાર**

**શાળાઓમાં પતંગો અને નોટબુકનું વિતરણ**

વર્ષ દરમિયાન વિવિધ સામાજિક કામ કરતી અને વડોદરાની વિવિધ આંગણવાડીઓને આધુનિક સુવિધા સાથે પરિવર્તિત કરનાર રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ બરોડા જવાહરનગર ના પ્રમુખ ઉમેદ ફિકાદ્રા અને સર્વિસ પ્રોજેક્ટ્સના અધ્યક્ષ અનિતા અને રાજીવ જંડિયાલે છોટા ઉદેપુરની અછલી સ્કૂલના આચાર્ય જયેન્દ્રભાઈને શાળાના વિદ્યાર્થીઓ માટે પતંગ અને નોટબુકનું વિતરણ કર્યું હતું. શ્રી રાજીવ જંડિયાલ, સાથે મનીશ શાહ અને રાજેશ શાહ પણ આ કાર્યક્રમમાં ઉપસ્થિત રહ્યા હતા.

Loksatta - 12.01.2025



## ✦ GLIMPSES OF LAST MEETING CONDUCTED ON 26.12.2024 ✦





✦ DISTRIBUTION OF KITES & NOTEBOOKS – STUDENTS OF ACCHALI SCHOOL, CHHOTA UDEPUR ✦



President Umed Fifadra & Service Projects Chair Rtn.PP Anita & Rajeev Jandial distributed @ 500 Kites and Notebooks to Shri Jayendrabhai - Principal of Achhali School, Chhota Udepur for the Students of the School on Thursday 9th January 2025. Rajeev Jandial, Hon. Sec. Elect. Rtn. Manish Shah & Rtn. Rajesh Shah also remained present. Special Thanks to Rajeev Jandial for procuring the Kites and delivering them to the Factory premises of President Rtn. Umed Fifadra.

✦ Rotary Club of Baroda Jawaharnagar - National Immunization Day 8th Dec 24 ✦

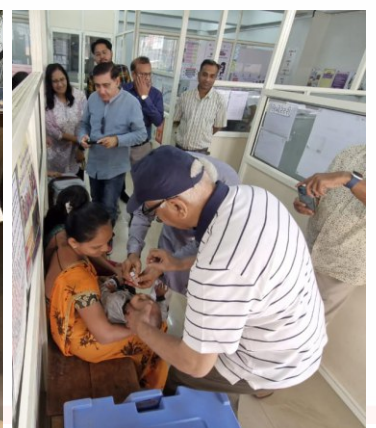
(A Report by Club Polio Chair-Rtn.PP Dr. Jayant Sastry)

Under the able leadership of Club Polio Chair Rtn.PP Dr. Jayant Sastry, Rotary Club of Baroda Jawaharnagar (RCBJ) once again participated wholeheartedly in the National Immunization Day on Polio Ravivaar i.e. on Sunday 8th December, 2024. Continuing the good work which RCBJ has been doing since more than 40 years, this year too we provided 40 vehicles (Sponsored magnanimously by Rotarians of RCBJ) to transport vaccinators to immunization booths. We covered 40 Urban Health Centres thereby covering 876 booths. The total number of persons transported to and from the booths @ 4/booth came to more than 3500 persons. The number of Under-5 beneficiaries covered came to 2,10,000 with our support.

Heartiest Congratulations to Club Polio Chair- Rtn.PP Dr. Jayant Sastry for the good work that he is doing selflessly and the yeomen services rendered and the Rotarians of RCBJ for coming forward spontaneously to sponsor the vehicles.

**Rotary**

**NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION DAY**  
**08 DECEMBER 2024**  
**ROTARY CLUB OF BARODA JAWAHARNAGAR**  
**ALL CHILDREN UNDER 5**  
**૦૮ ડીસેમ્બર ૨૦૨૪**  
**રાષ્ટ્રીય રસીકરણ દિવસ**  
 પોલીઓ રસી ના ૨ ટીપાં ૫ વર્ષ સુધી ના તમામ બાળકોને અપાવો  
**સૌજન્ય : રોટરી ક્લબ ઓફ બરોડા જવાહરનગર**





## ✦ RCBJ PERMANENT PROJECT : ROTARY BOSCH BRIDGE PROGRAM ✦

This is to introduce and provide information for the **Rotary Bosch Bridge Program (RBBP)** to all members of RCBJ.

### What is the Bridge Program.

To impart the soft skill by way of teaching the backward area students like spoken English, introductory course for the computer operation, public speaking, and introduction of the different Student must be with minimum age of 18 years.

- 1) The program is for the students from backward areas of Gujarat State.
- 2) The tenure of the program for each batch is for two months.
- 3) The minimum batch should be of 25 students.
- 4) The dedicated instructor is selected by each centre by taking interviews, training, and passing tests conducted by BOSCH.
- 5) The duties of a trainer teacher are as follows.
  - Before starting the batch of students, he/she will visit the villages around the Centre.
  - Make aware of the prospective students for the feature of this program.
  - Instructor will enroll them by filling the forms printed by centers.
  - Once the minimum batch of 10 and more students are ready to be enrolled, he/she has to inform the management of the school and RCBJ for the starting date.

### The criteria for the selected Teaching Centre

1. Centre must have a separate teaching hall where they can accommodate a minimum 25 students.
2. Proper sitting arrangement with benches and the white board should be there.
3. Projector with a screen should be there in the classroom.
4. Separate tutor for teaching this course other than the school staff
5. Computer lab with sufficient computers to be there for the students.
6. Students have to pay a deposit and the money deposited is retained by the centre. The deposit amount is refunded after two months of completion of course and clearing the exams taken by BOSCH.

The Rotary Bosch Bridge program was launched with 130 Students at Muni Seva Ashram (MSA) Goraj on August 12<sup>th</sup> 2024 at their VTC training centre.

### First Centre

The Rotary Bosch Program's first centre was launched at Nalanda Vidyalaya at Ghoghamba village in Panchmahal District. The program was launched on 23 September 2024 with 25 students in the first batch.

On Oct 8, 2024 - MSA and RCBJ members – **Rtn.President Umed Fifdra, PP Manoj Adalja** and **myself** visited Nalanda Vidyalaya to meet the students. We were extremely happy at the progress of the Bridge program at Nalanda Vidyalaya.

### Six students from the first batch have received employment offers after completion of the 2 months course.

### Second Centre:

With the success of first centre, we have launched second centre at Don Bosco school Kawant, on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025. There are 34 students enrolled for the course.

Since the second centre at The Don Bosco School is temporarily equipped with needed equipment and minimum arrangement, they need the following equipment :

- Minimum 20 Computers.
- 20 Student benches.
- 20 sets of translated books ( In Gujarati) for their course.
- White Board.

Since our club is the promoter of this second centre, I request all the RCBJ members to donate and support generously for the much needed equipment.

This information is for all my fellow Rotarians of RCBJ and I would like to request all of you to participate with this program and support towards future development. Kindly contact me for any questions.

I will keep RCBJ members updated as this progresses further.

Best Regards,

**Rtn. Kirit Dholakia.** (Project Co-ordinator)



## ✦ Scratch Your Brain ✦

## Q.1. Fill in the blanks

8, 5, 4, 9, 1, 6, 7 \_\_\_ 3, 2

Q.2. ENEMY = 26

METAL = 15

FLUID = 25

GREAT = ?

**Ans: Edition.11 -**

Q.1 = No one IS telling Lye. The Professors are Robinson's Sisters & Q.2. 2886

**Ans: Edition.12 - Q.1 = 7282 & Q.2 = 29**

## ✦ Seek a Revenge or give Forgiveness ✦

Once, a young man sought advice from a wise old man about seeking revenge on someone who had wronged him. The old man said, "Revenge may bring temporary relief but never true happiness.

"The young man asked, "Won't forgiveness make me seem weak?" The wise man replied, "True strength lies in forgiveness, not revenge. Forgiving others brings inner peace." The young man left with a lighter heart, realizing the power of forgiveness.

**Moral : Forgiveness heals both the Giver and the Receiver, while Revenge only prolongs Pain.**

## ✦ Rotary information ✦

Contributed by Rtn. Vivek Patel

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LET YOUR TEAM CONQUER THE COURSE!  
Registration Closes Soon

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a reason to smile  
You just have to  
find it”*