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Club Meeting (2025–26)

Date: 26th August 2025

Venue: Hotel Surya Palace

Guest Speaker: Rtn. Ashok Patel (VP, Federation of Gujarat Industries)

Topic: **WORLD ECONOMIC DISORDER - Where does India Stand?**

Proceedings:

The meeting was formally called to order by PP Rtn. Ashwin Majmundar, Sergeant-at-Arms. Ann Dr. Aditi Vahia enthralled the audience with her melodious voice by singing a song written by Narsinh Mehta in praise of Goddess Parvati and how she succeeds in “Tapovan” of Shivji. The song was apt for the occasion of ‘Hartalika Vrat’ which is dedicated to Goddess Parvati.

PP Rtn. Dr. Vivek Patel escorted Rtn. Ashok Patel, speaker of the evening to the dais and then recited the Four-Way Test.

President’s Opening Remarks:

President Rtn. Mitesh Vadhia welcomed the gathering and thanked all the RCBJ members associated with the projects undertaken in last two months. His special mention included Rtn. Vivek Duggal, PP Rtn. Anita Jandial, PP. Rtn. Ranjit Pradhan, PP. Rtn. Dr. Jayant Sastry, Rtn. Anil Bansal, PP. Rtn. Dilip Shah, PP. Rtn. Ashok Shah, IPP. Rtn. Umed Fifadara & Hon. Sec. Rtn. Manish Shah for their contribution. The house applauded the efforts of all the members associated with these projects which has already touched double digit.

President requested everyone to work towards increasing the club membership. He suggested to make groups of five Rotarians and work towards brining in at least one member amongst them.

Ann. Bhavika Patel welcomed Rtn. Ashok Patel, speaker of the evening with a bouquet.

PP Rtn Jagdish Thakkar introduced Rtn. Ashok Patel highlighting his outstanding accomplishments starting with his academics BS and MS in Chemical Engineering along with MBA from the US and having an illustrious career graph. He is currently VP, Federation of Gujarat Industries and there are many more feathers under his cap in addition to being a member of Rotary Club of Baroda.

Speaker’s Session:

Rtn. Ashok Patel gave a brilliant perspective of today's current financial scenario with his audio-visual presentation. He took the audience through a history lesson which began right from the ancient civilizations to give a historical perspective because he felt that if you fail to learn from history you are doomed to repeat the mistakes. Through his brilliant data collection and graphs he showed that in 1000 AD India was 33% of world GDP. But after British invaded India in 1700 the graph had hit the bottom. He explained how the western world has always been rapacious and looting the weaker countries but India has still stood its ground. He linked the past with the current scenario and gave hope that though the western world continues to dominate now with the tariff and trade wars, India will hold its ground. Though there are tough times ahead, India will hopefully maneuver it's way out as done in the past. After the enlightening presentation, he addressed with optimism the queries raised by PP Rtn. Jagdish Thakkar and PP. Rtn. Hemang Vahia.

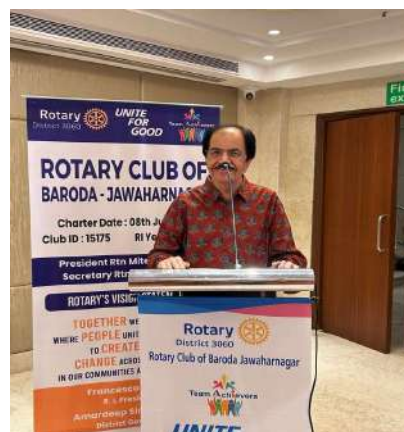
PP Rtn. Dr. Sanjay Pandit presented a memento to Rtn. Ashok Patel.

Secretarial Announcements were made by PP. Rtn. Hemang Vahia on behalf of Hony. Sec. Rtn. Manish Shah.

PP. Rtn. Bhupinder Juneja extended the vote of thanks and profusely thanked the Speaker of the evening Rtn. Ashok Patel for his clarity and in-depth insight into the present-day crisis.

Report compiled for club records and bulletin by Ann Twisha Jhala

✦ GLIMPSES OF THE SPEAKER MEET – 26TH AUGUST 2025 ✦



SECRETARIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

1. An Intercity Meet of Cluster 2 covering the topic of Membership, Service Projects and Public Image has been organized on Sunday 7th September 2025 at the ICAI Bhavan, Sun Pharma Road, Atladra, Baroda. The timing of the Seminar will be from 9am to 4pm. It will be a great opportunity to connect, learn and share Ideas with fellow Rotarians. The Registration Charges will be Rs.1,200 till 30th Aug.2025 and Rs.1,400 thereafter. Request all Rotarians to join for a day of learning, fellowship and Rotary spirit. This Seminar has been hosted by the Rotary Club of Vadodara One. Those desirous of attending, may please contact Hony. Sec. Rtn. Manish Shah.
2. A gentle reminder to RCBJ members to expedite payment of annual / semi-annual dues for the RY 2025-26.

Please ignore if already paid.

Birthday Greetings

9 th September	: Ann Jayshree Dholakia
12 th September	: Ann Jaimini Shah
13 th September	: Rtn PP Hemant Desai
13 th September	: Ann Hima Mahuvakar
15 th September	: Ann Sneh Gupta



NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Rotary Year 2025-26 is scheduled as follows :

Date : 9.09.2025

Day : Tuesday

Dinner : 8pm - 8:45pm

Meeting : 8:45 pm onwards

Venue : Hotel Grand Mercure Surya Palace

Musical Antakshari by Hardik Patel

Guest Charges : ₹ 600 pp

RYE UPDATE



Khushi Joshi, our
RYE student with
Rotary international
youth exchange
students
Orientation
program at France






Divit Patel, our RYE student in Brazil

VTC MUNISEVA ASHRAM UPDATE



Eleven students enrolled with VTC Muniseva Ashram.
They are from present batch being taught at
Don Bosco School - Kawant

INVITATION






Rotary Club of Vadodara ONE
Welcomes you
To

INTERCITY MEET - CLUSTER 2

MEMBERSHIP, SERVICE PROJECT & PUBLIC IMAGE SEMINAR

7 SEPTEMBER 2025 **SUNDAY** 9 AM to 4 PM




ICAI Bhawan
Sun Pharma Road, Opposite Jupiter Hospital, Near BOB, Atladra

Registration Charges
Till 30th Aug 2025 - ₹ 1200/-
After 30th Aug 2025 - ₹ 1400/-

BANK DETAILS

A/C NAME - ROTARY CLUB OF VADODARA ONE
A/C NO - 24790100004146 IFSC CODE - BARBOOVBAR
BANK - BANK OF BARODA BRANCH - IBB BARODA



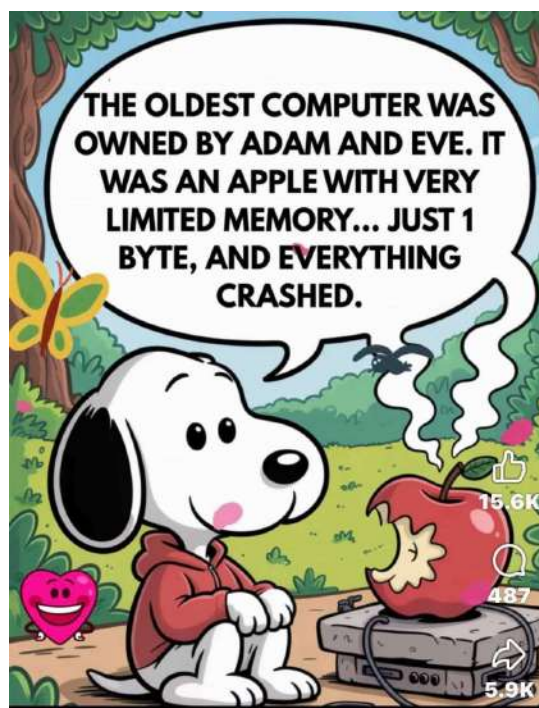
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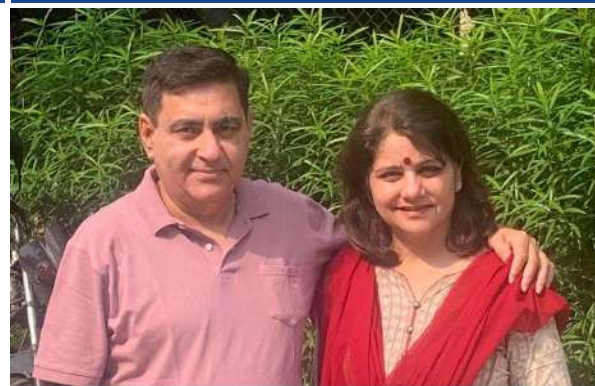
In the 2nd Week of September, 2025, A Joint Program with the Rotary Club of Bombay North has been organized wherein a Visit to the Muni Seva Ashram has been scheduled for a Global Grant Project for Solar Air-conditioners. Our District Governor Rtn. Amardeep Singh Bunet has also planned to remain present.

Requesting all Rotarians and Anns to attend and participate in both these programs.

JUST FOR GAGS



KNOW YOUR ROTARIAN



Rtn. Vivek Duggal

- CA , CS , Alumni XLRI (Jamshedpur)

Partner in a CA firm , over 25 years experience in MNC working and private practice - deals in project finance , taxation, startup advisory and management consulting as major areas of work currently .

Reeti Duggal : MBA ; LLB - over 20 years experience in HR consulting , teaching and helping society in several ways like counseling on Health Education, women financial empowerment including Stock Market.

They are married for over 30 years and have 3 lovely Children ;

1. Daughter Apurva : Engineer, MBA , married and settled in USA , works for BOEING Corp.

2. Daughter Aanchal : CA , CPA(USA) , works for KPMG , Mumbai.

3. Son , Samarth ; BSC (Economics) and pursuing 2 years MBA at MICA , Ahmedabad.

Member: TIE Vadodara Chapter : Actively involved in advice on mentorship and entrepreneurship of young boys and girls pursuing Business initiatives as well as in TIECON activities.

Rotary : Service Chair ; Actively involved in Rotary activities since July 2025.

Rotractor : He was a Rotractor with Ambala club for 3-4 years during his graduation and post graduation days in early nineties.

✦ JUST THOUGHTS.....✦

The Washerman's 'Donkey'

One fine day Akbar accompanied by his two sons and his clever minister Birbal went to the river to take a bath. They asked Birbal to hold their clothes while they were bathing. They took off their clothes and stepped into the river.

Birbal stood at the bank of the river, waiting for them, with their clothes on his shoulder. Looking at Birbal standing like this, Akbar felt like teasing him and remarked that Birbal looked like a washerman's donkey with a load of clothes.

Birbal quickly retorted that he was carrying the load of not just one donkey, but actually three. The Emperor was speechless.

Management Moral:

Quick wit often helps you out of awkward situations. Birbal demonstrated to Akbar without stating in as many words that it was not proper for the Emperor to load his minister with his family's clothes. If the Emperor had remonstrated with him for showing disrespect to the Emperor, Birbal would have been ready with an appropriate answer.

"Don't do unto others what you would not have others do unto you". This principle could hold in good stead while framing management rules for the people working under you. Could you follow all the rules that you frame for others?



✦ RI PRESIDENT 2026-27 ✦



Olayinka Hakeem Babalola, a member of the Rotary Club of Trans Amadi, Nigeria, has been selected by the Board of Directors to become Rotary International's president for 2026-27. His term will begin on 1 July 2026. The Board conducted a special session to select the organization's leader after the resignation of RI President-elect SangKoo Yun, who decided to step back from his Rotary responsibilities and focus on his recovery from recent cancer treatment.

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Rotary THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

<i>first</i>	Is it the TRUTH ?
<i>second</i>	Is it FAIR to all concerned?
<i>third</i>	Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ?
<i>fourth</i>	Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?