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**ROTARY CLUB  
PANVEL MAHANAGAR**



DISTRICT NO. 3131  
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**Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar's Bulletin**  
**December-24 DG Visit Edition**

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From Editorial Desk: Editorial Team

Greetings, Friends!

As we approach the month of December 2024, the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar is actively preparing for a host of projects, such as Cherry Blossm, Cycle Donation, New Year and many more projects. The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar has been in existence for eight years, and in that time, it has made significant contributions to education, healthcare, and community development through its various outreach programs. The club has touched the lives of many individuals, providing them with much-needed aid and support.

Club bulletin is not just a formal document to be published every month, but it's a source of information on Rotary, awareness on club activities, and of course a platform to showcase all members creativity, expertise. The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar is committed to serving the community and making a positive impact in the lives of those it touches. Presenting the October issue of GRAPEVINE for this year. Thank you for your continued support.

Happy Reading!

Yours in Rotary,

The GRAPEVINE Editorial Team

December is Disease Prevention

December is celebrated as Disease Prevention and Treatment Month, a crucial focus area for Rotary International. The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar is committed to addressing health challenges in the community through impactful initiatives.

Recognizing the importance of preventive healthcare, the club actively organizes free medical camps offering services such as eye testing, blood sugar checks, ECGs, dental check-ups, and more. These efforts aim to detect and address health issues early, improving the quality of life for many.

Ongoing projects like the Free Eye Testing Program, held every Saturday in collaboration with Sumanshil Netralaya, provide comprehensive services including cataract surgeries, retina imaging, and discounted lenses. The club also spreads awareness about maintaining a healthy lifestyle, focusing on disease prevention strategies such as sanitation, hygiene, and regular check-ups. Through its dedicated efforts, the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar demonstrates its unwavering commitment to "Service Above Self," building a healthier, happier community.







PRESIDENTIAL

Fellow Rotarians,

November was a remarkable month for the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar, marked by impactful initiatives and meaningful celebrations. The club successfully organized a Diwali Sweets Distribution drive, bringing festive joy to many. The Tulsi Vivah event highlighted cultural traditions, while the Wheelchair Donation project showcased our commitment to serving the differently-abled. A heartwarming visit to Seal Ashram in Panvel reinforced our dedication to community welfare. The month culminated with the District Governor's visit, during which the club was recognized for its exemplary efforts in SERA and Vocational Awards. November truly reflected our spirit of "Service Above Self."



November was a milestone month as the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar received the prestigious 7-Star District Award for surpassing all past records in contributions to the Rotary Foundation.

The District Governor's visit to the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar was a truly special occasion. It was an opportunity to showcase the club's impactful projects, vibrant initiatives, and commitment to Rotary's ideals. The DG appreciated the club's efforts in community service, including our record-breaking contributions to the Rotary Foundation, which earned us the prestigious 7-Star District Award. Members were inspired by the DG's insights and guidance, which motivated them to aim higher in their service goals. The visit also included recognition of exceptional members and a celebration of the club's achievements, making it a memorable and inspiring event.

December, celebrated as Disease Prevention and Treatment Month, promises to be impactful for the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar. The club plans to execute various health-focused initiatives, including free health camps, awareness drives, and collaborations with medical institutions, furthering its commitment to improving community health and promoting well-being for all.

Thank you,

**Rtn. Arun Khedwal | President | Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar |RID3131| India**





**Secretary's Report for Last Month : Rtn. Mukund Chaudhari**

During the last month, the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar successfully conducted a series of meetings, including our Board of Directors (BOD) meeting, weekly gatherings, and a strategic planning session. The BOD meeting focused on evaluating ongoing projects, approving budgets, and aligning club objectives with Rotary's core mission. Our weekly meetings provided a platform for members to share updates, discuss community initiatives, and strengthen fellowship. The strategic meeting was pivotal in setting long-term goals, enhancing member engagement, and planning upcoming projects. Collectively, these meetings reinforced our commitment to service and community development.



**Message from Foundation Director: Rtn. Mukund Chaudhari**

November, being Foundation Month, holds a special significance for all Rotarians. It is a time to reflect on the incredible impact the Rotary Foundation has on transforming lives across the globe. As Foundation Director, I am proud of the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar's unwavering commitment to supporting the Foundation's mission.



This year, our club achieved a historic milestone by breaking all previous records in contributions, earning the prestigious 7-Star District Award. This achievement is a testament to our members' generosity and belief in the power of collective action. Every dollar contributed to the Rotary Foundation helps fund critical programs, from eradicating polio and fighting diseases to providing clean water, supporting education, and fostering peace.

As we celebrate Foundation Month, I encourage all members to continue their support and advocacy for the Rotary Foundation. Let us remain united in our efforts to make a lasting difference, knowing that our contributions create opportunities and bring hope to those who need it most. Together, we can achieve even greater milestones and further Rotary's vision of a world where people unite to take action, create lasting change, and build better futures for communities worldwide.





## District Awards Foundation Seminar 2024-25

### 🏆 Proud Moment for Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar! 🏆

The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar achieved a remarkable milestone at the Foundation Seminar, receiving the prestigious 7-Star Club Award along with District Governor's Special Recognition for its outstanding contributions to the Rotary Foundation.

This proud moment was further elevated by individual recognitions of generosity and commitment:

- 🏆 Rtn. Dr. Dipak Khot was acknowledged for donating \$1,000.
- 🏆 Rtn. Arun Khedwal was also honored for donating \$1,000.

These contributions highlight the spirit of service and dedication within the club, showcasing the collective and individual efforts to support Rotary's mission of creating lasting change. The achievements inspire all members to continue striving for excellence and making a meaningful impact in communities worldwide. Thank you for your support! 🤝🌍

### Club Award:







**Birthday, Anniversaries and Project Plans:**

**Birthday and Anniversaries:**

Occasion	Date	Name
Anniv.	4 <sup>th</sup> December	Alka Koli
Birthday	8 <sup>th</sup> January	Sakina Gadiwala
Birthday	12 <sup>th</sup> January	Kishor Narkar
Anniv.	24 <sup>th</sup> January	Arun And Shweta
Birthday	25 <sup>th</sup> January	Puransingh Mehra
Anniv.	25 <sup>th</sup> January	Ashish Atre
Anniv.	2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Dr. Dipak Khot

**Project Plan:**

Date	Project
3 <sup>rd</sup> December-24	Advocate Day
13 <sup>th</sup> December-24	Weekly Meeting
21 <sup>st</sup> December-24	Cycle Donation
28 <sup>th</sup> December-24	Cherry Blossom
29 <sup>th</sup> December-24	Medical Camp
31 <sup>st</sup> December-24	Year end
1 <sup>st</sup> January-25	Happy New Year
1 <sup>st</sup> January-25	Interact Club Activity
1 <sup>st</sup> January-25	Project

**Rtn. Dr. Dipak Khot was acknowledged for donating \$1,000.**







DG Visit : 9<sup>th</sup> November-2024



**Board of Directors meeting with DG Shital Shah**







Service Excellence Awards



🌟 **Honoring Excellence in Mental Health!** 🌟  
 We are thrilled to present the Service Excellence Award to **@mpowerminds** for their extraordinary impact on mental health awareness and support. Mpower's dedication to breaking down stigma and providing essential mental health resources has transformed countless lives, creating a brighter, healthier future for our community. Their work inspires us all to build a world where mental well-being is a priority. Thank you, Mpower!

🌟 **Honoring Infinity Foundation with the Service Excellence Award!** 🌟  
 The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar is delighted to present the Service Excellence Award to **Infinity Foundation** for their incredible contributions to education, healthcare, and sustainable development. Completing 9 years of transformative service without funding and stepping into their 10th year, they've proven that passion and commitment drive real change. Their relentless efforts have empowered countless individuals, creating a lasting impact on our community. Thank you, Infinity Foundation, for inspiring positive change and hope! 🌍❤️🙏







Vocational Excellence Award



The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar proudly honored four remarkable individuals with the Vocational Excellence Awards for their extraordinary contributions to society:

- ✚ **Dr. Madhavadatta Pandey** – A dedicated Sanskrit professor, preserving India’s cultural heritage and inspiring countless students with the timeless wisdom of shlokas.
- ✚ **Mr. Subhash Ganpat Mankar** – Principal of Changu Kana Thakur Vidyalaya, shaping students’ futures through education, mentorship, and community leadership.
- ✚ **Mrs. Sakina Gadiwala** – A passionate environmentalist, championing sustainable practices and green initiatives for over 40 years.
- ✚ **Mr. Sachin Kumbhar** – A sports icon and Ironman finisher, inspiring active lifestyles through his dedication to fitness.

Congratulations to these change-makers!





Interact Impact During DG Visit



Our Interact Club's Impact During DG Visit

- ✚ **Prathamesh Hajare**, our passionate Interact advisor, combines his love for cycling with dreams of becoming a mechatronics engineer and building a sports car in Germany. His dedication inspires youth to follow their passions.
- ✚ **Shravani Patil** clinched 2nd place in multiple races at the DSO Panvel Skating competition, showcasing her hard work and determination.
- ✚ **Magazine Release:** We are excited to announce the release of our Interact club's magazine, featuring the inspiring achievements and stories of our Interact club members and projects!

Congratulations to all the Interactors!





**Service Projects: November-24**

**Wheelchair Donation!**

A heartfelt initiative by Rtn. Ashish Atre in memory of his beloved father, Late Shri Prakash Atre, to donate wheelchairs at Panvel Railway Station.

This gesture ensures that elderly and differently-abled passengers can travel with comfort and dignity.

We at Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar are proud to support this cause, making travel more accessible for everyone.



**🕒 Tulsi Vivah Project Successfully Completed at बानूबाईची वाडी! 🕒**

We are thrilled to announce the successful completion of the Tulsi Vivah celebration at बानूबाईची वाडी on 15th November 2024 with the help of Dr. Dipak Khot.

This auspicious occasion was filled with devotion, prayers, prasad, and blessings as we honored the sacred marriage of the Tulsi plant with Lord Vishnu. 🌿🕒

The community came together to celebrate this divine tradition, seeking prosperity, health, and harmony for all. 🌸





**Service Projects: November-24**

**Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar: Spreading Smiles at Seal Ashram, Panvel**  
 A special thanks to our Assistant Governor, Rtn. Rajeevan, for sponsoring breakfast for 500+ residents at Seal Ashram. This incredible organization rescues individuals from the streets, offers them care and support, and works tirelessly to reunite them with their families once they're ready to return to normal life. At Rotary, we believe in making a difference one act of kindness at a time, and this day was truly one to remember.!




**Rotary** Let's Make the World A better Place to Live...

**Rotary GREEN SOCIETY Housing Society Meet**  
 on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Topic: Implementation of Green practices in cost effective ways

Join the Rotary Green Society Movement & Win Awards

Chief Guest: Shri K. Mahalingam, Chairman, IIT Bombay  
 Guest of Honor: Shri Yashraj Vaidya, Co-ordinator, IIT Bombay

**FOUNDER CLUB:** ROTARY CLUB OF BANGALORE  
**HOST CLUB:** ROTARY CLUB OF KHARGHAR WEST (MUMBAI)

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 ROTARY CLUB OF PANVEL SUNRISE

Dr. Shalini Nair | Dr. Prof. Sumita Ghosh | Dr. Dr. Dr. K. K. Kulkarni | Dr. Shalini Nair

**Green Society Synergy Project: A Step Toward Sustainability!**

We're excited to share the success of the Green Society Synergy Project, hosted by the Rotary Club of Kharghar and co-hosted by Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar, Rotary Club of Panvel Sunrise, and Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Sunrise! This collaborative event brought together passionate individuals and organizations dedicated to promoting sustainability and environmental awareness. It was an inspiring platform for exchanging ideas, discussing eco-friendly initiatives, and exploring ways to positively impact our communities. A big thank you to all participants for contributing to this valuable experience. Together, let's create a greener, healthier future! 🌱💚!





Our President's Felicitation at the Supply Chain Conference:



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**OPPORTUNITY**



The list of speakers is endless.....

Chahat Dalal

Dr Prachiti Punde

Dr Pragya Yadav

Dwarkanath Sanzgiri

Girish Kulkarni

Gyanvatsal Swami ji

Meenakshi Seshadri

Pallavi Kaushik

Dr Nivedita Gupta

## REGISTRATION CHARGES

Register before 31st July 2024 at the following Early Bird Registration Fees

	SINGLE	COUPLE	
Member	₹9000	₹18000	Rotaract Single ₹6000
Patron	₹12500	₹25000	Child below 15 years ₹6000
Guest	₹9000	₹18000	

### DATE & VENUE

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2025

Nishigandha Lawns & Convention Centre



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