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#### Today.....

Today, at 6 pm meeting will be held at Poona Club Conference Hall 02 as well as on the Zoom Platform.



In keeping with our consistent endeavour to have everyone engaged, the RCPC program committee brings you a session on **"The Rotary Foundation**" by guest speaker **Rtn. PDG Dr. Deepak Shikarpur**, who is an is an IT Engineer with a global repute.

He has obtained Doctorate (PhD) in his field of specialization – Information Technology. He worked in the Tata group for 16 years and then became a Technopreneur. He is a Director of several Global Information Technology companies and Academic institutions. He is an Hon. Fellow of Maharashtra Academy of Science, Computer Society of India and an Hon. Fellow of Institution of Engineers. He is member Executive of Mahratta Chamber of and industries. Union Government has appointed him as member of taskforce to digitize education as per

the new education policy. He is National IT Board member of All India Council of Technical Education.

He has so far authored 43 books on IT in Marathi/English. He has won several awards for his literary work from Governmental and Non-Governmental bodies on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2016. A policy paper written by him on e-Waste management was released by Hon Environment Minister. Global India Business Forum had recognized him with Excellence Award on Engineers Day on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

He was elected unopposed as the sixth District Governor for Rotary District 3131 for the year 2013-14. He was recognized by Rotary International President Gary Huang with Citation of Meritorious Service in 2014. Rotary International Board of Directors have bestowed him with the Highest Award for 2017-18 "**Service Above Self**". Only 100 service minded individuals worldwide have been selected from nominations received from 225 countries. He is nominated by RI to serve as RPIC (Rotary Public Image Co ordinator) for Zone 7 from 2019-22

He has initiated <u>www.itcareercounselling.com</u> a free online platform for Senior IT professionals.

Please do join this interesting session with **Rtn. PDG Dr. Deepak Shikarpur** at **Poona Club Conference Hall 02** as well as on Zoom using the following login details: Join Zoom Meeting : <u>https://zoom.us/j/98234745097?pwd=RmszRm5aaHIFa0xSWIh4aWJCcHZqUT09</u>

Meeting ID: <u>982 3474 5097</u> Password: 584742

I look forward to meeting you today at 6 PM at **Poona Club Conference Hall 02 as well as on Zoom (6.00 PM to 6.30 PM pre-meeting fellowship followed by the meeting called to order at 6.30 PM).** 

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# The week that was.....

#### From Rtn. Lekha Nair...

Pre-fellowship started at 6 PM on Zoom where many members joined and interacted with each other on various topics. Post pre-Fellowship, the meeting was called to order by Pres. Amitabha Mukhopadhyay and all members and guests were welcomed to the meeting.

All the members observed silence for 2 minutes and paid homage to Rtn. PDG Ghisulal Solankhi who passed away on 18th November. He was District Governor of our District in RY 2004 – 05

President Amitabha updated the members about the events of the past week.

As a salute to spirit of giving, the members appreciated the contribution by: Rtn Yogesh Shah - INR 10,000/- for Moledina School Project Rtn PP Ebe Chaney - INR 9,000 for Moledina School Project Rtn PE Uday Dharmadhikari – INR 9,000 for Moledina School Project Rtn Rtn. Prasanta Choudhury – INR 9,000 for Moledina School Project. Rtn Lekha Nair INR 9,000 for Moledina School Project.

Also following donations were received from the CSR partners for the Vaccine on Wheel Project Alkyl Amines Chemicals Ltd – INR 3.60 lakhs

Blood donation camp was arranged at Mulshi by our RCC Mavala Prathishtan on urgent basis within 2 days on the request from Inlaks and Budrani Hospital for the 'THALASSEMIA PATIENTS". The blood bank was running dry. We could collect 40 bottles. This is our club's first blood donation camp.

From July 2021 through October 2021, Cataract Surgeries performed and vision restored for 1,508 beneficiaries towards GG2123447 - Gift of Vision – Cataract Surgery project

We greeted happy birthday to Rtn. PP Nani Desai, Rtn. Parvin Malhotra, Rtn. PP Vijai Sarkar, Rtn. Dr. Saroj Bande, Rtn. Lalit Vij. We greeted happy anniversary to Rtn. Nitin and R'Ann Sonia Rajore, and Rtn. Dr. Ashok and R'Ann Dr. Sheila Bhave.

The important agenda of the meeting was Election of the Nominating Committee. 7 members were to be elected out of 15 contestants. PE Uday Dharmadhikari informed the members about the entire online voting process. PE Uday Dharmadhikari was responsible for the conduct of the election process. The election was conducted online

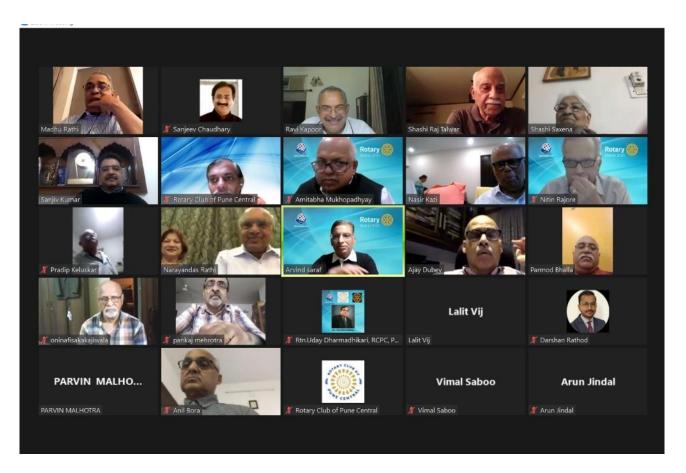
using Google Form with the help of Rtn Sanjeev Chaudhary of RC of Pune Shivajinagar who developed a customized Google form to help Rotary Club Nominating Committee Elections.

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The results were brought in by the Presiding Officer, PE Uday Dharmadhikari just before the scheduled close of the meeting and were announced by President Amitabha Mukhopadhyay. The following would comprise the Nominatin Committee (In Alphabetical Order after the Convener):

Rtn. PP Ravi Kapoor – Convener Rtn. IPP Ajay Dubey Rtn. PP Neeraj Handa Rtn. Vipen Malhotra Rtn. PP Jinendra Munot Rtn. PP Madhu Rathi Rtn. Arun Shroff

Next Week **meeting** will be held on **Saturday**, **27th November**, **2021 at 6 pm at Poona Club Conference Hall 2** as well as on ZOOM, where Rtn. PDG Dr. Deepak Shikarpur will talk on "The Rotary Foundation"





From Rtn. PP Ravi Kapoor......

## Status and progress of various Global Grant and CSR projects

I am happy to share a report on the status and progress of CSR projects currently being implemented by RCPC.

#### Vaccine-On-Wheels – Covid 19 Mobile Vaccination Project:

Under this unique project, with the support of Vaccine-On-Wheels and CSR Partners, 31 Mobile Vaccination units have been deployed in Pune, Mumbai and Satara. As of 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021, 4,008,549+ doses have been administered.



# From Rtn. Oni Kakajiwala ......

# Eye Check Up Camp

An Eye Check Up Camp organized at village Bhawadi, near Wagholi on Friday the 26th November, 2021

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# From Rtn. PE Uday Dharmadhikari ......

#### "Aarohan" Pre-PETS

Pre - President Elect Training Seminar (Pre -PETS) - for RY 2022 -23 - "Aarohan" was organised by District Governor - District 3131, DGE, Rtn. Anil Parmar at the Dukes Retreat, Khandala on 12 - 14 November 2021. Presidents Elect along with spouse from most of Rotary Clubs in the district attended the event. Inaugural session was addressed by DGE Anil Parmar and RI Director, Rtn.Mahesh Kotbagi

Rotary Club of Pune Central (RCPC) was represented by Rtn. PP Ravi Kapoor and R'Ann Jyoti Kapoor, Rtn. PP Arvind Saraf and Rtn. Vidya Saraf and Rtn. PE Uday Dharmadhikar and R'Ann Savita Dharmadhikari.

In addition to plenary sessions and separate session for spouses, live entertainment programs were organised in the evening of 12th and 13th November.

Rtn. PP Ravi Kapoor conducted plenary sessions on the topic related to "Planning Major Gifts" and "Fund raising Ideas"

Rtn. PP Arvind Saraf, AGC ' RY 21-22, conducted plenary session on " Club Invoice and Dues".

Rtn. PE Uday Dharmadhikar and R'Ann Savita Dharmadhikari, were amongst one of the winner in the category of " Best Dressed couple" for Retro Theme Night.

Overall the event was well organised, attended and informative.



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Rtn. PE Uday Dharmadhikar with Rtn. DGE Anil Parmar



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Uday and Savita Dharmadhikari Arvind and Vidya Saraf , DGE Anil and Hema Parmar .



Rtn. PP Arvind Saraf and Rtn. PE Uday Dharmadhikari



Prize Distribution: District Governor and Team with Uday and Savita Dharmadhikari



Rtn. PP Ravi Kapoor Addressing Plenary Session



Rtn. PE Uday and Savita Dharmadhikari - Answering questions by Master of Ceremony.



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# From Rtn. PP Raja Kharadkar ......



# From Rotary Connect Committee or RCC

Past Presidents Raja, Prakash, Neeraj and Arvind

# The Power of Nutrition partners with Rotary, other organizations for new malnutrition program in Ethiopia

**London, 1 November 2021:** The <u>Power of Nutrition</u> announced on 1 November a partnership with Rotary International, the <u>Eleanor Crook Foundation</u>, and <u>The END Fund</u>, to fund a new multi-sector nutrition program in Ethiopia. By pooling resources and working through The Power of Nutrition, the funding partners' investments are being matched to create a five-year, \$30 million program.

Malnutrition is a major public health concern in Ethiopia. The African country has one of the highest global burdens of stunting - too short for age due to prolonged malnutrition - in children under five-years old; around 40%, compared to 22% globally. Despite progress to reduce malnutrition in recent years, prevalence levels remain high – with 5.9 million children affected by stunting in 2020 and 1.2 million affected by wasting - too thin for height due to severe malnutrition.

These levels are likely to increase due to COVID-19, the impacts of climate change, and prolonged conflict in the country. This year, UNICEF warned that more than 100,000 children in the Tigray region could die due to hunger-related causes by 2022.

This new program will address the factors malnutrition by combining multiple interventions in a holistic approach to strengthen systems and scale the coverage of high-impact health and nutrition services.

The program will incorporate several components, including the prevention and treatment of wasting, promoting infant and young child feeding practices, and integrating deworming, and Multiple Micronutrient Supplementation (MMS) into routine services for effective, sustainable approaches to improve women and children's overall health and life opportunities. It will also fund research on cutting-edge themes to improve the quality and coverage of interventions for wasting.

The program will be implemented by UNICEF and Action Against Hunger, working closely with the Government of Ethiopia's Ministry of Health, and pooling the expertise in public health, development, humanitarian work and government advocacy of the Eleanor Crook Foundation, The END Fund, and Rotary International.

"The effects of malnutrition on a child's physical and mental development can profoundly and permanently limit the trajectory of their lives. When an entire generation suffers from stunting and wasting, families and whole communities and nations are impacted by a catastrophic loss of potential," says John Hewko, Rotary International General Secretary and CEO. "As we've learned from our global effort to eradicate polio, we know that by leveraging each of our strengths, we can make a significant impact together to give children in Ethiopia access to nutrition and a chance for a full and healthy future."

Ellen Agler, CEO at The END Fund said: "Our collaborative nutrition partnership in Ethiopia is testament to what can be achieved when we leverage our collective resources to foster healthier communities. Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) diminish nutritional absorption and lead to stunted growth. Conversely, malnourished individuals are more susceptible to NTDs which affect their ability to live healthy and productive lives. Our joint efforts to scale nutrition services and protect communities from the risks of NTDs through deworming, will help to unlock the full potential of underserved populations in Ethiopia."

Over the five years, the program will reach at least one million pregnant women and three million children with vital health and nutrition services. It is also expected to promote long-term improvements to the population's nutrition as well as socio-economic indicators by making Ethiopia's health and food systems more resilient and encouraging healthier, more productive communities.

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#### The Power of Nutrition

The Power of Nutrition is a charitable foundation that unites businesses, governments, investors, non-profits, and change agents in a joint mission to end the cycle of malnutrition. Our innovative finance and partnership model multiplies nutrition investments to make resources go further than any organization could achieve alone.

We currently have 17 programs in 13 countries with high rates of malnutrition in Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia. Each is aligned behind national government plans, carefully designed to deliver impact at scale, and is based around a core set of evidence-based, high-impact interventions known to improve child, adolescent, and maternal nutrition.

To date, our programs have enabled over 60 million women and children to access essential nutrition interventions and services that are truly changing lives. **Learn more** about our work and how to partner with us.

#### **The Eleanor Crook Foundation**

The Eleanor Crook Foundation is a growing U.S. philanthropy fighting to end global malnutrition through research, policy analysis, and advocacy. For over 20 years, the Foundation has worked to scale improved solutions to child malnutrition with the ultimate goal of saving children's lives and enabling them to excel in school, work, and beyond.

#### The END Fund

The END Fund is a private philanthropic initiative that exists to end 5 of the most prevalent Neglected Tropical Diseases. The fund efficiently puts private capital to work, advocating for NTD programs that are innovative, integrated and cost-effective. It facilitates strong partnerships with the private sector, government partners, and local implementing partners to collaboratively support national disease programs. This is done through a proven implementation model that is tailored to meet the needs of individual countries, with the view to fostering healthier communities, protected from the risks of NTDs. Since its founding in 2012, along with partners, the END Fund has distributed over 1 billion treatments across 31 countries, performed over 43,000 blindness and disability-preventing surgeries; and trained nearly 3.5 million health workers to pre-empt and treat neglected tropical diseases.

#### **Rotary International**

Rotary brings together a global network of 1.4 million volunteer leaders in more than 46,000 clubs in over 200 countries who are dedicated to tackling the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges. Their work improves lives at both the local and international levels, from helping those in need in their own communities to working toward a polio-free world.

# From Rtn. PP Madhu Rathi......

## KNOW YOUR ROTARY

ROTARY INFORMATION

#### Sergeant-at-Arms

The Sergeant-at-Arms looks after the law and order in the club and maintains the dignity and decorum of meetings. He/she ensures that the visiting Rotarians are properly welcomed. The success of this position lies in creating a good impression about the meeting on the visiting Rotarians and guest.

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External extension and intercity forum (a half day seminar like meeting of a few neighbouring clubs where a Rotary or contemporary local or national issue is taken up) also come under club service. It is the duty of every club to look for new communities which can sustain Rotary Club by offering 20 or more members to start with.

As The Rotarian magazine once wrote, no man would try to put up a four-storey building without first providing a proper foundation and in Rotary that foundation is club service.

#### A Well looked after club Service Avenue is the first step towards an effective Rotary Club.

**ROTARY** is not just a club that you join. It is an invitation to endless opportunities.

RI President (2020-221) Holger Knaack

# From Rtn. P K Malhotra......



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# What to expect in the next Five weeks......

- 04 Dec: Guest Speaker Mr. Deepak Thakur will talk on "Future of Energy".
- 11 Dec: Guest Speaker Rtn. PP Dr. Leena Lokras, Rotary Club of Dombivali.
- **18 Dec:** To be announced
- 25 Dec: Annual General Meeting followed by Fellowship Dinner

# Birthdays and Anniversaries...



#### Rtn / R'Ann

R'Ann Nafisa Kakajiwala R'Ann Suchi Bhargava R'Ann Savita Dharmadhikari Rtn. PP Rajendra Shah R'Ann Ranjana Bhalla

#### Birthday

November 30 December 02 December 03 December 03



#### Member and Spouse

- Rtn. Narendra and R'Ann Kamini Sanghvi Rtn. IPP Ajay and Rtn. Rooma Dubey Rtn. Girdharilal and R'Ann Usha Sakhrani Rtn. Dr. Sarang and R'Ann Dr. Bhawna Rote Rtn. Manish and R'Ann Shruti Singh Rtn. PP Dr. Ramesh and R'Ann Bharati Dumbre
- Rtn. Vinay and R'Ann Archana Biyani

#### Wedding Anniversary

- November 27 November 28
- November 30
- December 01
- December 02
- December 03
- December 03