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PANVEL MAHANAGAR



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Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar's Bulletin  
October-24 Edition

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### From Editorial Desk: Editorial Team

Greetings, Friends!

As we approach the month of October 2024, the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar is actively preparing for a host of projects, such as medical camp, RYLA, Skill development, Dandiya evening and Cloth Donation project. 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

### October is Economic and Community Development Month for Rotary

Each October, Rotary International highlights Economic and Community Development Month, focusing on growing local economies and reducing poverty. With millions still living in extreme poverty, Rotary takes action through vocational training, equipping entrepreneurs, and empowering women in underserved communities.



Rotary's initiatives aim to foster income generation, job creation, and entrepreneurial opportunities, creating long-term economic improvements. By investing in people and sustainable solutions, Rotary strengthens the foundation of thriving communities, improving health, education, and stability.

This month encourages Rotarians worldwide to reflect on their role in creating sustainable livelihoods. By supporting local economies, we uplift families, create jobs, and inspire hope and dignity for future generations.



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Fellow Rotarians,

October marks Rotary's Economic and Community Development Month, a time to reflect on one of the most critical aspects of our humanitarian work: growing local economies. As Rotarians, we know that building sustainable livelihoods is essential to breaking the cycle of poverty and creating lasting change. Today, millions still live in extreme poverty, and many communities struggle to thrive due to a lack of resources, training, and opportunities.



At the heart of Rotary's mission is the belief that economic development isn't just about charity—it's about empowerment. We don't simply give aid; we equip people with the tools, skills, and knowledge they need to support themselves and their families. Through strategic initiatives, Rotary provides vocational training, access to financial services, and support for entrepreneurs, particularly in underserved communities. These efforts are making a tangible difference, particularly for women who are often at the forefront of their families' economic survival. Our projects extend beyond short-term relief. They are focused on creating long-term, sustainable change. Whether it's teaching local entrepreneurs to manage businesses, introducing innovative farming methods, or offering microloans to small business owners, Rotary is building stronger, more resilient communities. By doing so, we're not only addressing poverty but also fostering dignity, self-reliance, and hope for the future.

This month is an opportunity for each of us to take action. Economic development is a cornerstone of any thriving community, supporting health, education, and social stability. It's interconnected with all other areas of Rotary's focus—without economic opportunity, families can't afford healthcare or education, and communities can't sustain the resources they need to grow.

I encourage all members of our club to participate in this mission. Think about how we can support local entrepreneurs, offer skills training, or create projects that enhance our local economy. By contributing to economic growth and fostering entrepreneurship, we are investing in people's futures, building stronger communities, and helping to create a world where everyone has the opportunity to succeed.

Let's make October a month where we actively contribute to creating sustainable, long-term change in our community and beyond.

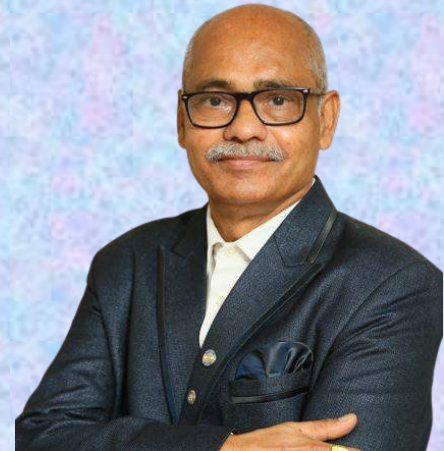
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### Secretary's Report for Last Month

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 Basic Education and Literacy Director

I am delighted to share that our club has been honored with the 5-Star Club recognition in District 3131 for our remarkable contributions during Basic Education and Literacy Month. This achievement is a testament to the collective effort, dedication, and passion of every member of the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar.

Throughout this month, we have successfully implemented several impactful projects, starting with the celebration of Teachers' Day, where we recognized and felicitated our hardworking educators. Their role in shaping future generations is immeasurable, and it was an honor to acknowledge their dedication.



We also focused on the distribution of books to schools and students, reinforcing the value of literacy and providing resources for enhanced learning. Our club went a step further by donating Ideal Study App coupons to 10th standard students, offering them access to digital tools specifically designed to boost their academic performance.

Additionally, we laid the foundation for a new Interact Club, empowering youth to take up leadership roles and engage in service. Our focus extended beyond children to include adult literacy, where we distributed literacy bags to support learning for adults who wish to improve their skills.

These efforts culminated in this prestigious 5-Star recognition from the District team, which underscores the positive impact we have made on education and literacy within our community.

As we move forward, let us continue our mission to foster learning and education, creating lasting change in the lives of those we serve. Together, we are making a difference and paving the way for a brighter, more literate future.



**District Awards Basic Education and Literacy 2024-25**

The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar is proud to have been recognized at the district event in Pune for our dedication and efforts, receiving a prestigious award. This honor reflects our commitment to serving the community and making a positive impact.

**Club Award:**

**🏆 Five Star Club in Basic Education and Literacy 2024-25**

This accolade is a testament to the hard work, dedication, and passion of our members. Thank you to everyone who has supported us on this journey. Let's continue to make a positive impact in our community and beyond!





**New Club Members and Weekly Meeting**



**Birthday and Anniversaries:**

Occasion	Date	Name
Birthday	8th October	Arun Khedwal
Birthday	18th October	Snehal Pendse
Birthday	7th November	Ravindra More
Birthday	21st November	Shweta Khedwal
Birthday	8th January	Sakina Gadiwala
Birthday	12th January	Kishor Narkar
Birthday	25th January	Puransingh Mehra

**Project Plan:**

Date	Project
2nd October-24	Cleanliness Drive
5th October-24	Zonal RYLA
6th October-24	Zonal RYLA
11th October-24	Dandiya
20th October-24	Books Donation
20th October-24	Cloth Donation
24th October-24	Polio Day
27th October-24	AG Visit
27th October-24	Books Donation



**Service Projects: September-24**



**Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar Strengthens Global Bonds with National and International Flag Exchanges**

In September, Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar members engaged in flag exchanges nationally and internationally, fostering global connections and strengthening Rotary bonds. These exchanges promote fellowship, build partnerships, and create opportunities for future collaborations, enhancing our club's commitment to service and community development on a broader scale.

**Celebrating an Eco-Friendly Ganapati Festival :**

This year, the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar proudly celebrated the Ganpati Festival in an environmentally friendly manner. Our initiative included the donation of 58 eco-friendly Ganapati idols along with puja samagri to various communities.

In addition to promoting sustainability, we recognized and felicitated the local Ganpatil Mandal for their efforts in celebrating the festival responsibly. Our commitment to the environment extends to encouraging families to honor Ganapati at home with eco-friendly practices, emphasizing the importance of preserving our planet for future generations.

Through these efforts, we aim to inspire our community to celebrate traditions while prioritizing environmental consciousness. Let's continue to work together towards a greener, more sustainable future!





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**Empowering Students with the Ideal Study App:**  
 On 27th September 2024, the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar proudly distributed Ideal Study App coupons to 10th standard students at K.A. Bantia School in New Panvel. Designed specifically for SSC Board students in Maharashtra, the app offers comprehensive educational resources in Marathi, English, and Semi-English. By providing this innovative tool, we aim to enhance students' learning experiences and boost their academic performance, paving the way for a brighter future and empowering the next generation with essential knowledge.

**Swachhata Hi Seva Cyclothon 2024 – A Huge Success!**  
 Despite rainy weather, over 150 enthusiastic cyclists participated in the Swachhata Hi Seva Cyclothon 2024, organized by the Panvel Municipal Corporation, Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar, Panvel Cycling Club, and Runathon Cycling Club. The event was flagged off by President Rtn. Arun Khedwal and focused on promoting eco-friendly initiatives and fostering community spirit. With seamless registration, a healthy breakfast, and an emphasis on sustainability—such as bringing personal water bottles—we ensured a successful event. Special thanks to Panvel Municipal Corporation for appreciating our efforts in making this event a true success. Excellent media coverage highlighted our achievements!







**Service Projects: September-24**



**Peace Day Celebration!**  
 The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar successful completion of our International Peace Day event on 21st September 2024. In collaboration with the Interact Club of Panvel Mahanagar, we organized a cycle rally promoting peace messages, along with a peace pledge and talk. The rally began at DAV Public School and concluded at CIDCO Garden, New Panvel. Participants enjoyed breakfast and tea after the activities, creating a meaningful community experience and highlighting the importance of unity and harmony.

**Teachers Day Celebration!**  
 The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar celebrated Teachers' Day on 5th September 2024 by visiting ZP School Nerepada at 10:00 AM, ZP School Usarli at 10:30 AM, and ZP School Kalundre at 11:30 AM to honor teachers. Members expressed their gratitude for the dedication and hard work of educators, acknowledging their vital role in shaping young minds. The visits highlighted the club's commitment to supporting education and recognizing the invaluable contributions of teachers to the community..



Thank you,  
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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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