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**ROTARY CLUB
PANVEL MAHANAGAR**



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Grapevine

Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar's Bulletin January-24 New Year Edition

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From Editorial Desk: Editorial Team

Greetings, Friends!

As January 2025 approaches, the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar reflects on impactful projects like Cherry Blossom, Cycle Donation, and numerous others. Over its vibrant eight-year journey, the club has made remarkable strides in education, healthcare, and community development, transforming countless lives through its outreach efforts. Its initiatives have delivered crucial support and resources to those in need, leaving a lasting positive impact.

The club bulletin, GRAPEVINE, is more than just a monthly publication. It serves as a rich source of Rotary knowledge, a window into club activities, and a platform celebrating the creativity and expertise of its members. With a steadfast commitment to community service, the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar continues to inspire and uplift. We are delighted to present the January issue of GRAPEVINE and thank you for your unwavering support.

Happy Reading!

Yours in Rotary,
The GRAPEVINE Editorial Team

January is Rotary's Vocational Service Month



January is Rotary's Vocational Service Month, emphasizing the use of professional skills to serve communities and uphold ethical standards. The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar actively supports this through initiatives like career guidance, skill development, and entrepreneurial programs, fostering growth and reducing poverty. Vocational Service also inspires mentoring and leading by example to create positive change. As 2025 begins, the club reaffirms its commitment to strengthening communities and advancing Rotary's legacy of service above self. Together, we build stronger communities and uphold Rotary's legacy of service above self.



PRESIDENTIAL

Fellow Rotarians,

December was truly remarkable for the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar, filled with impactful initiatives that showcased our commitment to service above self. From the breathtaking Cherry Blossom project, to the heartfelt Cycle Donation project that empowered individuals with the gift of mobility, each effort highlighted the spirit of giving. Additionally, the Cataract Surgery initiative restored sight and transformed lives, underscoring our dedication to healthcare. These projects reflect the collective passion and determination of our members to create lasting change.



January, as Rotary's Vocational Service Month, holds special significance for our club and its mission. As President, I see this as an opportunity to harness the professional skills and expertise of our members to make a meaningful impact on our community. Vocational Service goes beyond individual professions; it's about promoting ethical practices, mentoring the next generation, and using our vocations to address pressing needs.

This month, I encourage our members to engage in initiatives that empower individuals, foster skill development, and create opportunities for growth. By leveraging our collective expertise, we strengthen communities and uphold Rotary's values of integrity and service above self. Together, let us make January a testament to the transformative power of Vocational Service.

As I reflect on the past six months as President of the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar, I am filled with gratitude and pride for the journey so far. It has been an incredible experience, marked by impactful projects, meaningful celebrations, and the unwavering support of our dedicated members. From empowering communities through vocational initiatives to fostering growth and unity through service, every step has been a testament to our collective passion and commitment. The journey has been inspiring, and I look forward to building on this momentum in the months ahead.

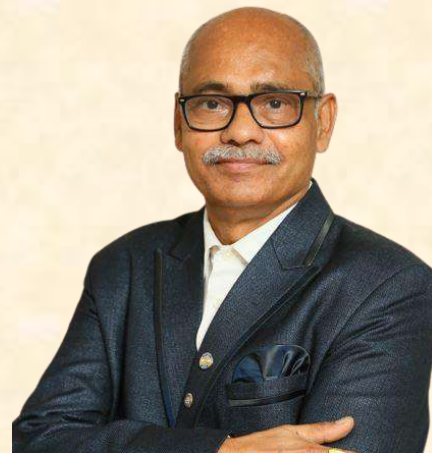
Thank you,

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 Vocational Service Director: Rtn. Shweta Khedwal

As the Vocational Service Director for the Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar, I am proud to highlight the inspiring efforts of our club in recognizing those who make exceptional contributions to society through their professions. This year, we had the privilege of presenting the Vocational Excellence Awards to remarkable individuals such as Dr. Madhavdatta Pandey, a dedicated Sanskrit professor who preserves India’s cultural heritage, and Mr. Subhash Ganpat Mankar, a principal who has shaped the future of countless students.



Additionally, we honored Mrs. Sakina Gadiwala, a passionate environmentalist dedicated to sustainability, and Mr. Sachin Kumbhar, a sports icon in our region. Their hard work and dedication set a standard for excellence in their fields.

I would also like to acknowledge the incredible work of Vishwas Gajanan Gophan, the “Bag Man,” who has distributed over 400,000 cloth bags and 30,000 masks, and Mangal Ashok Bhapkar, a social worker empowering women and improving lives through self-help groups. These individuals are exemplary in their commitment to making the world a better place. These awards emphasize the importance of vocational service in creating positive change, and we look forward to recognizing many more professionals who lead by example.



District Awards Foundation Semiar 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
Birthday	8 th January	Sakina Gadiwala
Birthday	12 th January	Kishor Narkar
Anniv.	24 th January	Arun And Shweta
Birthday	25 th January	Puransingh Mehra
Anniv.	25 th January	Ashish Atre
Anniv.	2 nd February	Dr. Dipak Khot

Project Plan:

Date	Project
1 st January-25	Happy New Year
1 st January-25	Interact Club Activity
5 th January-25	Joy of Giving
10 th January-25	Meeting
11 th January-25	Project
12 th January-25	Project
25 th January-25	Project
26 th January-25	Republic Day
31 st January-25	Meeting

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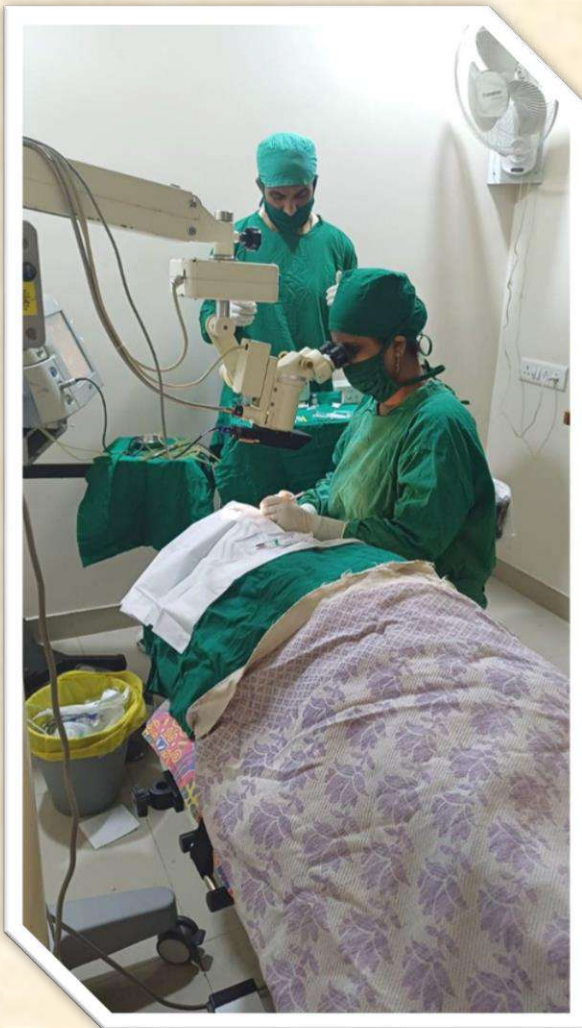


New Member : December-24



The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar proudly welcomes **Rtn. Sachin Kumbhar**, a dynamic athlete and fitness enthusiast. With four Ironman 70.3 completions and over a decade of Tata Mumbai Marathon participation, he exemplifies endurance and dedication. A black belt in kickboxing and Taekwondo athlete, Sachin is also a professional at JSW Steel. His diverse achievements make him a valuable addition to our Rotary family.

Service Project : December-24



Restoring Vision, Changing Lives

We are proud to announce the successful sponsorship of cataract surgeries at Sumanshil Netralaya, generously funded by the Chaudhari Family and overseen by our dedicated Service Project Medical Director, Rtn. Dr. Devendra Jadhav.

With an estimated cost of ₹1.1 lakh, this initiative aligns with Rotary's focus on Disease Prevention and Treatment, bringing the gift of clear vision to underprivileged individuals.

A heartfelt thank you to the Chaudhari Family and Dr. Jadhav for their unwavering commitment to making a meaningful impact in our community.



Service Projects: December-24



Project Cherry Blossom - A Step Towards Healthier Futures!

The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar is thrilled to announce the successful completion of Project Cherry Blossom, part of the RID3131 Playing 11 initiative. This health-focused project aimed to promote the well-being of young girls and ensure their health needs were met. Location: K.A. Banthia School, New Panvel

We conducted Hemoglobin and CBC tests for over 300 girl students from classes 5 to 10. The initiative not only helped identify health concerns but also created an atmosphere of joy and enthusiasm among the students, who were excited to be part of this empowering project. The goal was to raise awareness about health, and the project touched many lives by providing these important tests, ensuring healthier futures for the young participants.

Watch the glimpses of this impactful initiative in the collage above, and witness the smiles of the children who benefitted from this project. We are grateful to everyone who supported this initiative. Together, we continue to inspire and make a positive impact in the lives of these young girls! ❤️🧡



Service Projects: December-24



Empowering Young Lives through the Cycle Donation Project

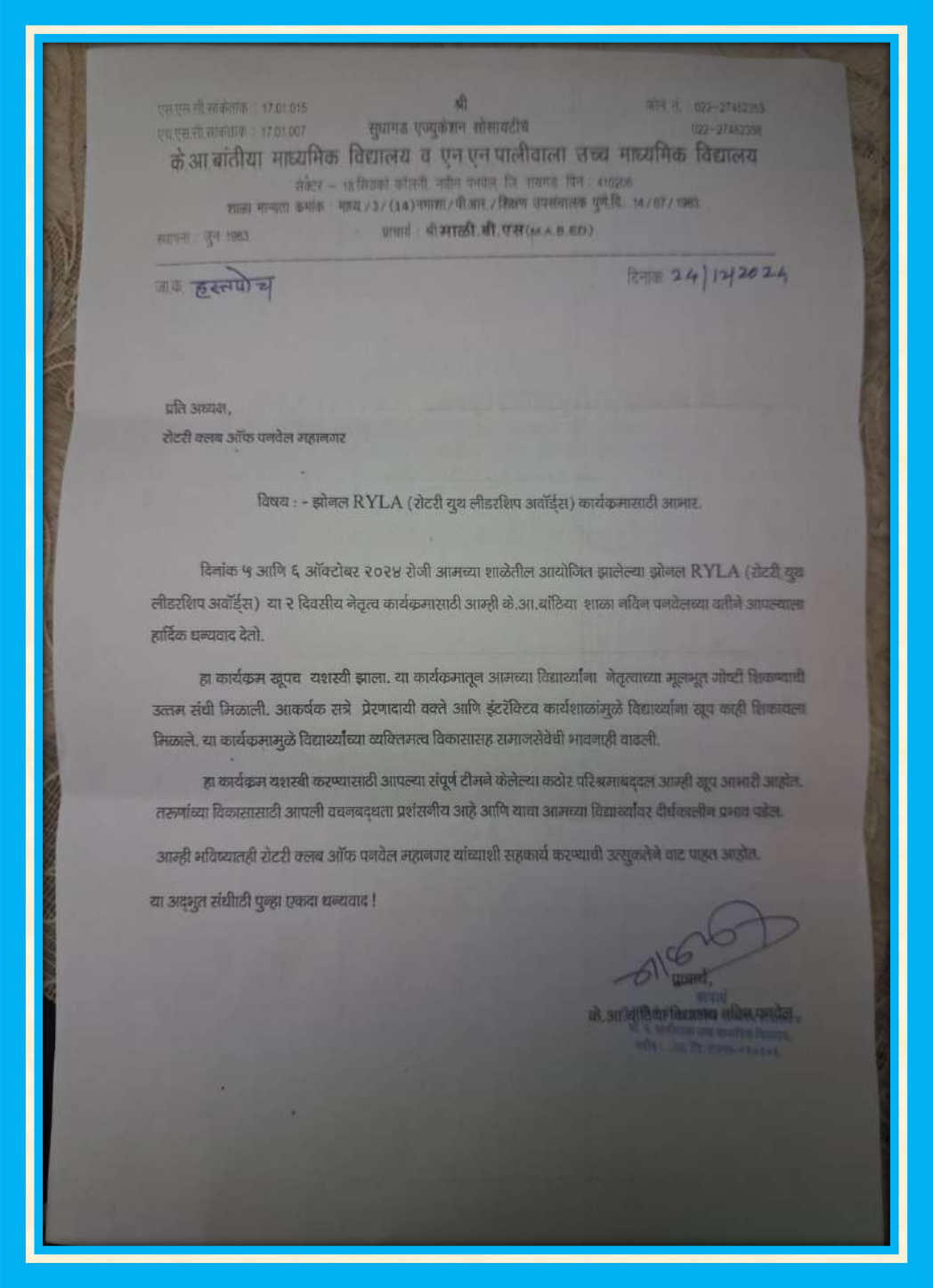
The Rotary Club of Panvel Mahanagar successfully completed the Cycle Donation Project at K.A. Bantia School, New Panvel. This initiative supported students facing difficult circumstances, such as the loss of parental support or the challenge of traveling long distances to school daily.

To ensure fairness, both new and pre-loved cycles were distributed through a lucky draw, spreading joy among the students. As part of the club's "Playing 11" initiatives, this project bridged gaps and promoted education.

Heartfelt thanks to the cycling club and contributors for their generosity in empowering young lives. Together, we inspire change.




Appreciation Letter from K.A. Bantia School, New Panvel



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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

1st and 2nd Feb 2025

Nishigandha Lawns & Convention Centre



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