

Celebrating 90 Years of Service

I see no contradiction between profitable business and social development. In fact, there is synergy between the two. Working together with government, there is so much we can do to solve our planet's problems.

ANAND MAHINDRA CHAIRMAN, MAHINDRA GROUP

The Perfect Gentleman

CHAIRMAN OF THE US\$19 billion Mahindra Group and the Executive Chairman of Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd, Anand Mahindra is an incisive business commentator and humanitarian. With over 6 million followers on Twitter, Mr Mahindra leads by example.

Among his many social change initiatives is the Nanhi Kali programme which, for over 20 years, has provided over 250,000 underprivileged girls access to quality education. He is Chairman of the Board of the Naandi Foundation, India's leading NGO educating girls, skilling youth and providing sustainable livelihoods to small farmers through biodynamic agriculture.

Anand also serves on the Founders Board of The Rise Fund, a US\$2 billion impact fund. He is a strong votary of the arts and culture. Mahindra Blues, Mahindra Excellence in Theatre Awards and Mahindra Sanatkada celebrate and nurture music, theatre culture, art and history in India. He also serves as a Trustee of the Introducing Anand Mahindra, the newest Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Bombay

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Natural History Museum of London and as Chairman, India Advisory Council of the Lincoln Center, New York City.

In 2016, he was appointed Chevalier de l'Ordre national la Légion d'Honneur (Knight in the National Order of the Legion of Honour) by the President of the French Republic. In 2014, he became the first Indian recipient of the Harvard Medal by the Harvard Alumni Association given for extraordinary service to Harvard University. Anand graduated from Harvard College in 1977 and secured an MBA from Harvard Business School in 1981.

His tenure at the Mahindra Group has seen it expand domestically and internationally into a range of major industrial sectors from automobiles and agriculture to IT and aerospace.

Anand has served on several influential bodies, both national and international.

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president's Message

Dear Friends,

As we all ushered in the new year, our fellow Rotarian Dinesh Daftary lost his beloved wife, Dr. Rajani Daftary, on January 1st. Our sincere condolences to the entire Daftary family.

We are happy to welcome into our midst an industrialist with a heart of gold, Anand Mahindra, Chairman of the Mahindra Group. We induct him as an Honorary Member today. Anand Mahindra's legacy as a world business leader as well as a humanitarian is inspiring.

Friends, I am also glad to inform you that our Club, under the leadership of IPP Ramesh Narayan, received a handful of awards from the District last week. This shows that when you entrust a great team with responsibility, the outcome is always splendid. Congratulations to last year's team.

I thank Rtn. Rajas Doshi for his magnanimous donation towards the new Bhavishya Yaan school.

Our first fundraiser for the year 2019 is on January



18th at the Asiatic Library's Darbar Hall. We request you all to join us in large numbers. Together, let's do the best we can.

Thank You!

Rtn. Vijay Jatia, President

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'Stay curious'

'Increasing use of

technology has caused rapid development in the world'. It is not difficult to find some version of this line in almost every school textbook. But how has technology lead to development, asked last Tuesday's guest speaker Prof. M. M. Sharma. Speaking to Rotarians on the Role of Innovation in Success, this Padma Bhushan and Padma Vibhushan awardee simplified the equation down to: 'Technology is Science that Makes Business'.

He said, "Innovation never comes without invention and invention never comes without blue sky research." Prof. Sharma, who has advised some of the top A pioneer in the field of chemical engineering, Prof. M. M. Sharma asks inventors to think laterally and investors to encourage blue sky research

companies in the world including Dow, DuPont, Reliance and Sabic, pushed for more acceptance of blue sky research which is a scientific approach in itself. Instead of being goaloriented, blue sky science is more curiosity driven.

Prof. Sharma said he

appreciated China's progress due to its out-ofthe-box research methods and encouraged greater provision for such research in India. Research is the most important part in any invention, he said, as, equally, is chance or coincidence. Prof Sharma astonished Rotarians





Rtn. Madhusudan Daga, Rtn. Moy Biswas and Rtn. Ashok Minawala

with several examples of serendipity in invention.

He said, "While invention is an idea, innovation is when the idea is converted in to commerce." The spectrum of application for any invention can be broad; one can never know how far the invented product will go. For instance, laser technology is now used in both surgery and the cutting of diamonds. The keystone behind such invention is fundamental research. Success comes when inventions become money spinners.

Amongst the world's foremost experts in chemical engineering, Prof. Sharma threw a little chemistry at the members while explaining the impact of high science and inventions in MRI machines and its functioning. One of the main elements for the functioning of MRI machines is Helium which, after a massive shortage, is now produced in Qatar's LNG plants at a very large scale, at about minus 100 degree Celsius. Thus, high science converted to business makes a big impact on society.

LED technology was born out of curiosity, said Prof. Sharma. This kind of curiosity came from crazy individuals obsessed with invention. He appealed to corporates to support inventions even if not immediately profitable. A climate of invention is necessary. Another appeal he made was to the families of young, innovative minds: encourage them instead of curbing them. One cannot invent without failure and more the failure, more the curiosity, better the innovation.



Nadir Godrej presents the Sohrab Godrej Science and Technology Award to Prof. M. M. Sharma. Seen here with Rtn. Shernaz Vakil and President Vijay Jatia



Rtn. Satya Bansal, Rtn. Ashok Jatia, PE Rtn. Preeti Mehta, President Vijay Jatia with PP Rtn. Pradeep Saxena and PP Rtn. (Dr.) Mukesh Batra

Prof. Sharma, a highly decorated UDCT (now known as Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai) alumnus, said he believes that the future of plastic is bright. It is a material used in more than half of our daily life's needs, from communication to transport. Thus, to conclude, Prof. Sharma believes that unless we invent and innovate, our growth will be economically slow.

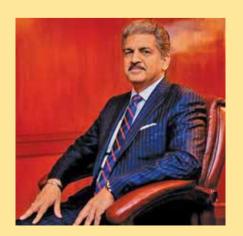
If India is to make rapid economic progress, it is not going to be on borrowed technology. We need to develop our own tech, and to not forget that innovation is not a one-time activity, it is a process that is continuous.

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These include the Global Board of Advisors of the Council on Foreign Relations, New York, the World Bank Group's Advisory Board for Doing Business and the International Advisory Council of Singapore's Economic Development Board.

He co-chaired the Bloomberg Global Business Forum 2017 and is co-hosting the Global Climate Action Summit 2018. He has served as President of the Confederation of Indian Industry. He also served on the Boards of the National Stock Exchange of India and the National Council of Applied Economic Research, as Chairman of the Governing Council of the National Institute of Design and the India Design Council. Anand has been invited by the Central and State Governments to provide his inputs on matters of national importance.

Anand Mahindra is a perfect gentleman. The Rotary Club of Bombay welcomes Anand as an Honorary Member.



Prof. M. M. Sharma receives the Sohrab Godrej Science and Technology Award A poem, by Nadir Godrej, January 8, 2019

Sohrabji was a man of many parts. He was a great admirer of the arts. A pioneer environmentalist Whose early warnings many missed. But he played a significant role In saving the tiger, a primary goal. And he was constantly on the go. One word he didn't understand was slow. Sometimes, within the span of a day, He'd see Madras, Calcutta and Bombay. The day for him was short on hours But with his superhuman powers He'd often work quite late at night And travel on a red-eye flight. This schedule would cause me to weep. When did he find the time to sleep? No wonder he would sometimes sink His head and calmly take a wink But if asked to answer, he would rise And to the audience's great surprise He'd manage to say what's apropos. But how he did it, I'll never know. There is no place he hasn't been. All seven continents he'd seen And even to the remotest isle. He's visited for a while. And though he traveled far and wide Religiously he always tried To attend every Rotary meeting, A perfect record without cheating. On attendance he was always bent No matter what the continent. We are grateful for this commemoration Through this prestigious award and oration. And as a Chemical Engineer I wholeheartedly would cheer The choice of Dr M M Sharma Who is both brilliant and a charmer. With Professor Sharma what we see Is a long connection with UDCT. As student, professor and director A steady, upward pointing vector. Repeatedly offered a government role He had just one steadfast goal To always serve his Alma Mater, As nothing else was ever greater. And yet he ranged far and wide Took many roles in his stride. He helped research and education To reach new heights in our nation. He taught abroad both East and West. As an engineer he was the best. He occupied a lofty perch In every kind of research. Both in theoretical analysis In mass transfer and catalysis As well as practical advice Which for us was very nice. His intellect was the foundation Of the Chemical Industry in our nation. His dreams were always very bold But the rest of us, truth be told. Didn't have the guts or gumption To accept his every assumption. And that of course is a shame.

Though when we chose to play his game We benefited considerably. Sometimes we missed, regrettably. He circulated ideas on a chit And many turned out to be a hit! He got every honour and award Whether in India or abroad. This may sound like hyperbole But if you were just to see The lengthy and illustrious list. You'd realise none were missed! And for his national contribution He received Padma Bhushan and Vibhushan! The highest point intellectually Was Fellow of the Royal Society. Therefore it is no surprise When Professor Sharma wins a prize! And it is to be expected Our paths have often intersected. This connection we can see In Academia and Industry. The relationship ship goes way back And has always stayed on track. Doctoral students at UDCT Were advised on their PhD By my late father Dr BPG And UDCT's consultancy Helped our businesses to grow. Many benefits did flow. In India the need was clearly seen To produce Alpha Olefin. The industry determinedly fought But the Government would not support. Technology fees were denied And that is when my father tried An unusual Oleochemical route With Lurgi's help this bore fruit. My father's faith was in the cause Professor Sharma saw the flaws. I was wary but played along However things went very wrong I wondered why we had invested In something strange and so untested As making Olefins from vegoil. It hardly seemed worth all that toil. But Alcohol was an intermediate Not Ethyl which gives an immediate Kick to all those who imbibe it. And for this audience I'd describe it As from C 12 to C 18. A change in strategy was seen. And Doctor Sharma's helping hand Enabled us to understand The limited market in our land. But globally we could expand. Our ties with ITC were strong And have lasted very long Through all name changes that we see And in my father's memory We built a lab and student centre That are a boon to all who enter. And if should be clearly stated By Sohrabji these were inaugurated. And therefore it is no surprise

That the Chemical Engineering prize Instituted in my father's name To commemorate his fame Was indeed conferred upon Professor Sharma early on. Without notes he always stood His memory's so very good. While teaching at Delaware Dr. Mashelkar did declare Professor Tom Kill would recall That in his Cambridge days all Students eschewed the library As all of them could clearly see There was no need to go and browse When Sharma knew the whats and hows. And its location was known by none Till Dr Sharma's days were done! His values were always very high For his students he would try And help in every possible way. And even in bereavement, one day, He quickly put aside his grief Because of his strong belief That personal grief must give way To a student's need any day. Nor would he play the common game Of adding a superfluous name To a student scientific paper Apparently a common caper But one to which he'd never stoop Even before entering the loop. Because he always kept in sight What action is completely right. His professors once felt quite trapped When consultancy fees had been capped. Universities got their own share So any cap wouldn't be fair. But envy always makes one burn Vice Chancellors couldn't guite earn As much as professors in demand Who naturally could command Fees that were rather high. That obvious thought though didn't fly. Then through his missive he insisted And he prevailed since he persisted. And what will be his legacy? In large measure ICT. The entire genealogy Of those who got their PHD. And over time we will see A broadening family tree. His contribution to Chemistry And India's burgeoning industry Not only all that's chemical But also pharmaceutical. At UDCT he was in charge. His contribution's very large. And we have the greatest pride That we can call him friend and guide. For service to research and education Let's rise for a standing ovation And then listen to his oration On success through innovation.



PN Rtn. Framroze Mehta, PE Rtn. Preeti Mehta, IPP Ramesh Narayan, President Vijay Jatia, Rtn. Madhusudan Daga, Rtn. Alok Sekhsaria

Six new feathers in RCB's hat

The Rotary Club of Bombay bagged awards for six different categories at the District Award held on January 6, 2019.

RCB won awards for:

- · Best Service to Youth
- Best Bulletin
- Best Public Relation
- Outstanding work by a Club in Promotion of ethics
- Outstanding work in all 4 Avenues of Service
- Maximum Women members in a club

Congratulations IPP Ramesh Narayan and team for their hard work.

RI Dist.3141 hosts threeday mega medical camp

The Rotary Club of Bombay is participating in a free, multi-purpose mega medical camp in the Phoenix Mills Compound, Lower Parel (W), from January 18 to 20 (10 am to 5 pm). Rotarians are requested to join doctors and yoga teachers from Kaivalyadham, Lonavla and Mumbai to bring attention to 'Yoga as a means of Health and Healing' at the RCB stall. Please also encourage friends and family members to participate.



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IN ASSOCIATION WITH EUREKA FORBES INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENT

DATE : SATURDAY, 26TH JANUARY, 2019 TIME : 11.15 AM AT ASHAGAD TIME : 12.20PM AT TALWADA



BELOW ARE DETAILS OF THE
PATIENT COUNT AT MEDICAL
CENTRES FOR DECEMBER 2018

	Centre Name	Beneficiaries
1	Ajit Deshpande Medical Centre	1554
=\(Phiroze Ratanshah Vakil Eye Centre	1721
	International Women's Association Clinic	685
	RCB Medical Centre (Cotton Green)	369
	Total	4329

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Totalling ₹ 29,40,000

Gender

Equality

committee

doing well

Ratanchand Hirachand Foundation through Rtn. Rajas Doshi Bharat Serums & Vaccines Ltd.

Vocational **Project by**

Progress at RCB's Skills@School project with Salaam Bombay

Celebrating 90 Years of Service Jyoti & Rajas Doshi cordially invite you to an evening of Music, Cocktails & Dinner Triday, 15th Fobruary 2019 7.30 pm onwards Las Palmas Gardens Sittle Gibbs Road Malabar Hill. Mumbai

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Sr. #	School Name	Trade	Students	Hours completed	Avg. attendance
1	Babasaheb Gawde High School	Robotic	14	46	89%
2	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Municipal Secondary School	Beautician	32	48	91%
3	Gokhale Road Municipal Secondary School	Computer Hardware	13	36.5	92%
4	Motishah Lane Municipal Secondary School	Home Appliance	13	44	91%
5	New Mahim Municipal Secondary School	Graphic Design	20	36	84%
6	Prabhadevi Municipal Secondary School	Mobile Repairing	17	40	78%
7	Worli Sea Face Municipal School	Beautician	46	36	88%



The Rotary Club of Bombay Grant for the year 2018-19 has supported 155 girls of Skills@schools so far.



JANUARY 18

Fund-raiser – a performance by Richard X Bennett at 6.30 pm, Asiatic Library's Darbar Hall.

JANUARY 22

Guest speaker, the actor Raveena Tandon, on *'Taking Mumbai to a Greener Future'*

JANUARY 26 Talwada Trip, 7.30 am.

JANUARY 29

Speaker Justice (Retd.) Roshan Dalvi

Next week's speaker: Raveena Tandon, actor

Actor, producer and former model, Raveena Tandon is an iconic Bollywood personality with many outstanding accomplishments on the silver screen. Raveena made her acting debut in *Patthar Ke Phool* (1991), and won a Filmfare Award for her performance in the film. Additionally, Raveena



is active in social work, especially in the field of combating child labour in India. Since 2009, Raveena has been associated with UNICEF on the issue of maternal and neonatal healthcare and well-being. In 2013, Raveena campaigned for PETA. She is known in the Indian media for publicly speaking her mind and being outspoken. Raveena will be speaking on 'Taking Mumbai to a Greener Future'.



THE TAJ MAHAL PALACE MUMBAI

JANUARY 22, 2019 MENU (CONTINENTAL)

SOUP

Cream of Asparagus soup, Assorted bread basket SALAD BAR

Palm heart salad with Ponzu dressing, Watermelon and Feta cheese salad, Egg salad

VEGETARIAN MAIN COURSE

Young Beet and Mascarpone rosti, Char-grilled vegetables, Potato gnocchi with saffron chive sauce, Spinach and corn au gratin, Pilaf rice

NON-VEGETARIAN MAIN COURSE

Roast lamb with bouquet of vegetables with turned potatoes, Herb Chilli-crusted fish with pesto sauce

DESSERTS

Tres Leches, Fresh cut fruit with vanilla ice-cream



Rotary Club of Bombay URBAN HERITAGE COMMITTEE

An exclusive piano recital for Jazz Lovers!

Richard X Bennett

Globally acclaimed jazz-raga pianist with an amazing sense of humour

Performs for one night only



Venue: Asiatic Library's Darbar Hall Date: January 18, 2019 Doors Open: 6.30 pm

Performance: 7 to 8.45 pm (with short interval for Light refreshments)



Proceeds in aid of Asiatic's conservation drive

Donor passes of Rs 2,500 are available for purchase with Rashmi at the office of the Rotary Club of Bombay.



All Directors and Committee Chairpersons are requested to send their project write ups with high resolution pictures to Rtn. Satyan Israni for publishing in the Gateway at the following email id: rotary.satyanisrani @gmail.com



We offer our heartfelt condolences to Rtn. (Dr.) Dinesh Daftary and his family for the passing away of Rtn. Ptn. (Dr.) Rajani Daftary. May her soul rest in peace. May you be able to count your blessings No matter what life brings... Come rain or shine, through thick or thin, May God's peace abide from within.

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	ANNIVERSARIES
	JANUARY 15
	Rtn. Ptn. Vrishali & Rtn. (Dr.) Ameet Pispati
	JANUARY 18
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