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COMING UP

January 14th, 2023:

14th RCB Golf
Tournament at
Willingdon Club
followed by
fellowship lunch
hosted by Rtn. Moy
Biswas

**January 19th-23rd,
2023:**

Fellowship to
Hampi with glimpses
of heritage, adventure
and mythology.

Errata

In the piece titled
Ace-Off in last
week's bulletin, Rtn.
Jamshyd Vazifdar
was erroneously
called a 3rd generation
Rotarian when he is,
in fact, 4th generation.
A matter of great
pride for Rotary Club
of Bombay !

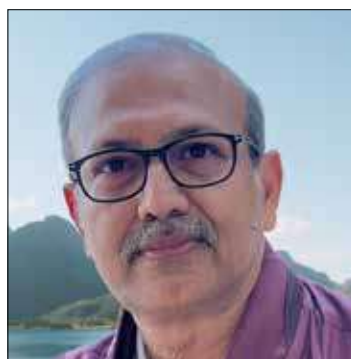
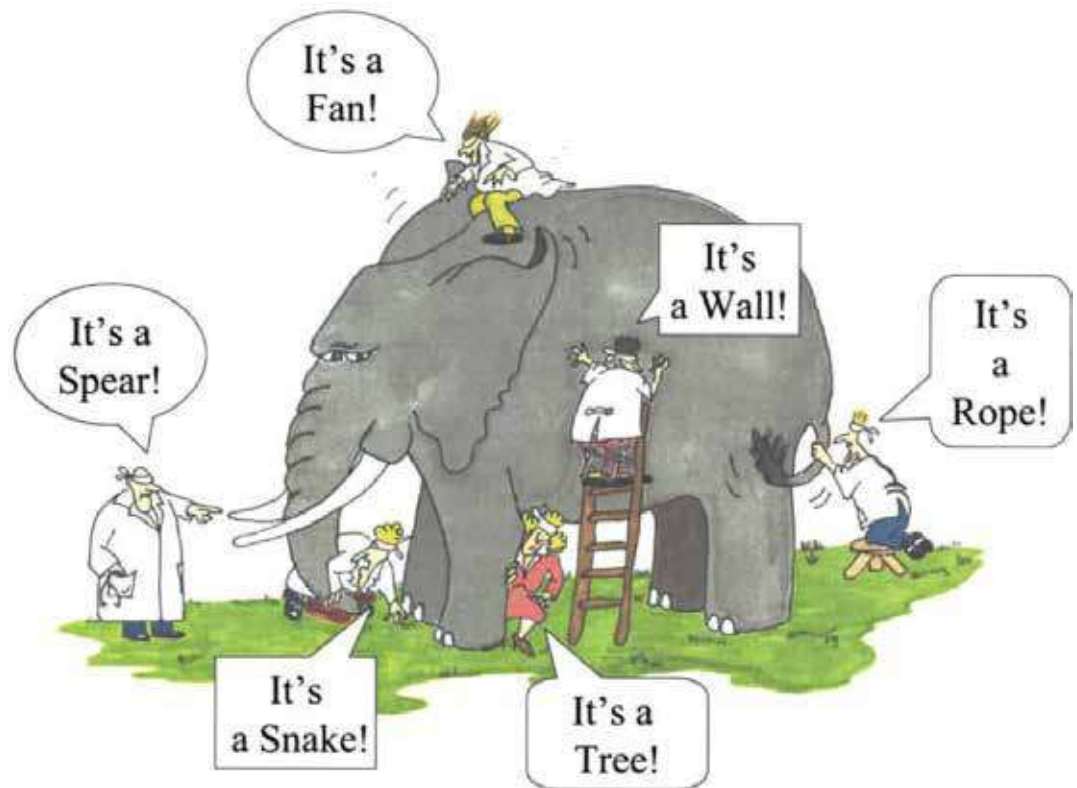
**Rotary Club
of Bombay**



DISTRICT 3141



27th December, 2022



President Vineet Bhatnagar

**“... (HE) WAS BETTER
THAN HIS WORD. HE DID
IT ALL AND INFINITELY
MORE....”**

Dickens used these words in a different context and for a very different character in his classic *Christmas Carol*. But these were indeed the words that popped in my head as I sat transfixed, listening to every word that our guest speaker, Vikas Swarup, used to describe his journey as

PRESIDENT VINEET BHATNAGAR'S ARTICLE CONTINUES ON THE NEXT PAGE

a diplomat and as a best-selling author of three novels.

Our members were enthralled when he took us through his list of seven things that a life in diplomacy had taught him. Each of the seven items had some relevant and exciting anecdotes which kept everyone glued to their seats. The list that he shared included - Open mind, Curiosity, Adaptable, Tactful, Patience, Value of compromise and Big Picture.

Each item resonated with the underlying factors that contribute to the success of an individual or even an organisation. Upon reflection, it is easy to map these items even with the model of service that Rotary has followed till date.

It is indeed the big picture vision of creating impact through its global network that Rotary continues to deliver for more than

a century. The changing world and its associated challenges have also meant that Rotary has remained adaptable and open minded. The keen sense of participation of Rotarians in making a difference to their communities is driven by curiosity and their realistic assessment of ranking the myriad issues that brings out better value of compromise. Finally, global problems that require sustained efforts such as almost complete eradication of Polio exhibit the importance of patience and tactful collaborative approach to make the lasting difference.

By the time I finished mapping the above, I was overwhelmed with the simple and generic lessons that our guest speaker had introduced us to. And the spontaneous standing ovation that he received was a reaction to how much bigger he was than his words.



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**VIKAS SWARUP, RETIRED
INDIAN DIPLOMAT AND WRITER:
THE SEVEN THINGS IN LIFE THAT
DIPLOMACY HAS TAUGHT ME**



Rotary is service above self; in doing so, it bridges cultures and connects continents. In a sense, that is also what diplomats do. The Rotary 4-way test – is it the truth, is it fair to all concerned, will it build goodwill and better friendship, will it be beneficial for all concerned – is exactly what diplomats look for.

THE INDIAN FOREIGN SERVICE (IFS) IS A RARE SPECIES; FEW HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OR INTERACT WITH A FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER; THIS SPAWNS MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT DIPLOMATS. They are looked at as people paid to lie for their country, elites to roam around the cocktail circuit and meet Presidents. In reality, diplomacy is a serious business. If defence is primarily about power, diplomacy is influence.

Today's problem can be only solved with communication which needs extensive knowledge, skills and finesse to deal with issues like disarmament, development, trade negotiations etc. Our bread-butter remains political reporting, nurturing bilateral ties, inviting FDI (foreign direct investment) and technology, promoting culture and commerce, dealing with media and press, etc.

YES, I HAVE MET QUEEN ELIZABETH, NELSON MANDELA, BARACK OBAMA, BUT I HAVE ALSO STOOD IN SWELTERING HEAT at the intersection of Turkey and Syria in 1990 arranging buses for Indians fleeing the First Gulf war. I was tasked to charter a plane in Djibouti to rescue Indian teachers from Asmara trapped in the Indo-Eutopia war. During my posting in Japan, I saw the horrors of the Fukushima Earthquake as well as the resilience of the Japanese.

The perk of being a practising diplomat is that it gives you a ringside view of history being made. I lived through the end of the Cold War, fall of the Berlin Wall, rise of China, globalisation and so on. But the biggest change I saw was in India. As India went from a sleeping giant to the fastest growing economy, I saw it as a country that can be friends



with everyone. To me, that is the real strength of Indian diplomacy; I have seen Indian soft power blossom.

WHAT DID 35 YEARS OF FOREIGN SERVICE TEACH ME?

DIPLOMACY TAUGHT ME TO HAVE AN OPEN MIND. SUCCESSFUL DIPLOMATS ARE THOSE THAT IMMERSE IN THE CULTURE THEY ARE POSTED TO; YOU DEVELOP A COMPARATIVE SCALE TO GROW BETTER.

The virtue of being curious. The foreign service is unique because it enables us to understand the very DNA and essence of the place we are posted to. But an effort needs to be made.

Be adaptable to the new city, culture, people, language. Your family needs to adapt, too. You have to adapt to your embassy. We get to work with new people and a new team with every posting. 'I, me, myself,' doesn't work in diplomacy.

The importance of tact; the ability to tell the truth in a way that considers people's reactions.

Patience. Diplomacy is not instant noodles; it takes months, and sometimes years, for results. Negotiations take time, geopolitics take time to evolve. There was nothing for 15 years, and suddenly there was Brexit, elections of Trump, Covid and so on. While cultivating patience, we also have to be prepared for sudden, tectonic shifts.

Value of compromise. All negotiations are about finding common grounds and that can't happen without compromise. This means having a win-win situation; the art is to find beneficial and balanced solutions.

The most important one: always look at the big picture. Take into account all the related factors and consequences without getting distracted by unimportant details. Relations between countries can be crucial, diplomacy is about rising above the trivial.

ROTARIANS ASK

What do you see as the big picture regarding Dr. Jay Shankar (External Affairs Minister of India and MP (Rajya Sabha) from Gujarat)?

I have worked closely with him. He has always seen the big picture and he has the same temperament as his father. He has been the best salesman of global India to rest of the world. He said we buy less oil from Russia in a year than Europe buys in a month.

Many leaders are becoming autocratic; has the diplomacy changed?

Diplomacy is a delivery system of the government of the day. They (diplomats) are not the ones who decide the foreign policy; they implement it.

Did you have the gift of the gab or did you learn it on your way?

Communication is absolutely important. It is important to know everything about India because you are going to be the marketers of India. As diplomats, you have to know why the cow is sacred, why women wear a bindi, and so on. You have to know these answers, you have to choose your words carefully.

Our PM has sold the India story round the world but there are sections of foreign media who state otherwise. Your thoughts.

I have worked closely with him; I have travelled with him. He gets up 4.30-5.30 in the morning and keeps on going. There is some inner energy. The way he projects India on the global platform is different from past governments.

How long do you think Rishi Sunak will last as the prime minister of UK?

We have to acknowledge his appointment. It is an important moment; we all knew there would be an Indian Prime Minister at some point. Multi-culturalism is coming in, I think it is all cyclical.





TUESDAYS @ TAJ



New Year Rotary Resolutions

1. Have Fun!
2. Grow My Club Membership
3. Support The Rotary Foundation
4. Introduce a Friend to Rotary
5. Promote Rotary More!
6. Tell More People About the Good Work We Do!
7. Engage More With Rotary Alumni, eg Rotaract & Interact
8. Eradicate Polio!!
9. Connect More with Local and Global Communities
10. INSPIRE OTHERS!



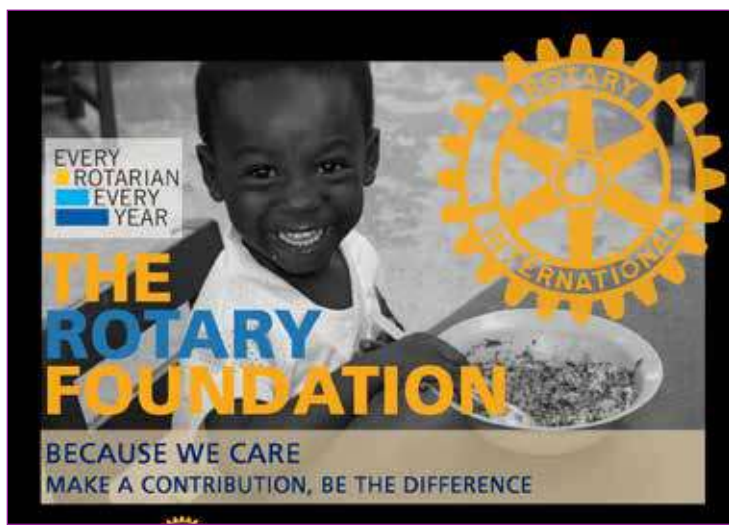
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THANK YOU!





THE ANANDA YAAN SPORTS DAY WAS HELD at the Botley Boy Compound in Byculla on December 17th, 2022. The Rotary Club of Bombay, in collaboration with the Rotaract Club of Atlas SkillTech University and the Dignity Foundation, spearheaded the project.

It was a beautiful day, and we began with a lively Zumba session before moving on to various games such as the ever-popular Red light, Green light. With games like Lemon & Spoon and Potato Race, the lovely Ananda Yaan ladies were able to relive their youth. It provided an opportunity for our organising committee of 30+ Rotaractors to interact with the older generation.

Rotarians such as Madhusudan Daga, Akhil Sanghi, President Vineet Bhatnagar, our Club Mentor Rtn. Hansika Shahani Disawala and others were present. They felicitated the winners of all races and activities with gifts and medals and also participated in the Relay Race alongside the Ananda Yaan ladies.

The women performed a graceful dance segment that had been choreographed and taught by OC members prior to the project. We finished the project with our Club shout, group photos, the final award ceremony and lunch.

AY Sports Day 2022





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**Rotary Club
of Bombay**



14th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT 14 JANUARY 2023

**At Willingdon Club
Tee off, 8 a.m. onwards
followed by Fellowship,
1:30 p.m. onwards
Hosted by
Rtn. Hiranmay (Moy) Biswas
at Cabbage Patch.**

Register for participation with
Rtn. Hiranmay (Moy) Biswas 9820051887
Register for fellowship with
Rashmi 9769140141

TIME TO TEE OFF

HIGHLY ANTICIPATED 14TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT COMING UP SOON.

Like in the last several years, the Sports Committee plans to continue with the motto of spreading goodwill and fellowship through sports.

What started off as a challenge on the greens of the US Club in south Bombay on January 12th, 2008, has flourished and blossomed into a full-blown tree which is now known as the Annual Golf Tournament of the Rotary Club of Bombay. It attracts all the talents in the Club and has also led to quiet inquiries about participation from non-members.

Though the first event had attracted a modest 17 players, by the time the sixth edition was played in January 2013, their number had doubled to 32, of varying age groups from 10-70. This event has become one of the flagship events in our Rotary calendar and participants and members of the club look forward to this tournament every year. We are pleased to inform you that this will be the fourteenth year, since the tournament started in 2008.

And all thanks to Rtn. Moy Biswas, the de facto chief of all sporting activities of the Rotary Club of Bombay who has



gone to great lengths to make the event such a resounding success. Working quietly behind the scenes, the family, the office staff of Moy and fellow committee members have played a significant role in the growth of this tournament.

In the year 2010, the Biswas family instituted a golf trophy specially designed by Moy Biswas and made in Singapore, which is a rotating trophy awarded to the winner of this annual tournament. The trophy has been fondly rechristened by our rotary club as the Rotary Club of Bombay Mrudula Biswas Golf Trophy in the honour and loving memory of Moy's wife Mrudula, who was one of the most charming and vibrant women to have graced our Rotary club. We can still feel her warmth and love around us.

The preparatory work started 12 months in advance on the

fourteenth edition of this contest, which is scheduled to be held on the greens of the Willingdon Sports Club on Saturday, January 14th, 2023.

President Vineet Bhatnagar will begin this tournament by a ceremonial tee off at 8.55 am. The post-tournament prize distribution ceremony including a fellowship attracts even more members, most of them being non-golfers, and outnumbering the participants and including several past and future Presidents.

This year the award ceremony and fellowship are being sponsored by the Biswas family. It will be held at the popular 'Cabbage Patch' of Willingdon Sports Club from 1.30 pm onwards when President Vineet Bhatnagar and other past Presidents will present awards to the winners and special mementoes to all participants. Your family members are welcome to join the ceremony especially for the fellowship.

Who wins the tournament in 2023 remains to be seen, but already there is a buzz about the event and avid golfers are looking forward to the morning of Saturday, January 14th, 2023. Those interested in taking part in the tournament are requested to get in touch with Moy Biswas, (Mobile no 9820051887 and Email id moybiswas@gmail.com).

COTTON GREEN, IWA

Director: Rtn. Dr. Mehernosh Dotivala

Committee chair/co-chair: Rtn. Rahil Shah / Rtn. Anar Shah

Patients visited / treated in Cotton Green, November 22

HOMEOPATHY 247

DENTAL OPD 203

OPHTHALMIC OPD 81

PAEDIATRICS OPD 43

GENERAL OPD 110

PATHOLOGY LAB 11

Total 695

Patients visited / treated in IWA, November 22

Gynaecology OPD 1

Paediatrics OPD 5

Dental OPD 117

General OPD 201

Xray 90

Homeopathy 7

Dermatology OPD 38

Medical Consultant 10

Total 469

3 Camps 34+38+15=87

RCB MEDICAL CENTRE, TALWADA

Director: Rtn. Dr. Mehernosh Dotivala

Committee chair/co-chair:
PP Framroze Mehta / Rtn. Rohini Chowgule=**Patients visited / treated November 22**

PRVEC Ophthalmic OPD 193

Spect Give during the month 112

Operations 54

The Patient kept for treatment 8

IOL 43

Yag Laser 9

Green Laser -

Keratoplasty -

Total 419

MEDICAL REPORT

NOVEMBER 2022

ADMC General OPD 1002

Dental OPD 74

Paediatric OPD 42

Pathology Lab 91

Total 1209

DIALYSIS CENTRES

Director: Rtn. Dr. Mehernosh Dotivala

Committee chair/co-chair: Rtn. Swati Jajodia

Name of Hospital Patients visited / treated November 22

Platinum Hospital, Mulund (2 machines) 10

Aastha Hospital, Manor (3 machines) 18

Sukh Sagar Hospital, Dahisar (2 machines) 20

Shatabdi Hospital, Govandi (3 machines) 73

Shatabdi Hospital, Kandivali (2 machines) -

Meenatai Balasaheb Thackrey Centre, Malad -

Samarpan, Ghatkopar 59

Total 180

PAEDIATRIC HEART SURGERIES

Director: Rtn. Dr. Mehernosh Dotivala

Committee chair/co-chair: Rtn. Jaymin Jhaveri

Name of Hospital Patients visited / treated in November 22

SRCC Childrens Hospital, Mumbai 4

Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital 31

Total 35

RCB MEDICAL CENTRE, TALWADA

Director: Rtn. Dr. Mehernosh Dotivala

Committee chair/co-chair:
PP Framroze Mehta / Rtn. Rohini Chowgule

September 2022

Disease Profile TB

Patients Seen 59



RCB CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP 2022





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CHRISTMAS SPIRIT AT RCB'S ANNUAL PARTY

Rotary Club of Bombay's annual Christmas party was held on December 16th, 2022, on the lawns of the Breach Candy Club. Over 115 members and their partners attended the party and celebrated the spirit of Christmas with their fellow Rotarians at a beautiful venue decorated with a Christmas tree and in Christmas colours.

The attendees enjoyed drinks and a superb Christmas themed menu with fabulous music playing in the background. Post dinner, there was an after party where several of our younger Rotarians joined by President Vineet Bhatnagar danced the night away!

President Vineet thanked the Fellowship Committee for organising the fellowship as well the members present for their enthusiastic participation. Wishing RCB members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Christmas jingles for BY at CCI

NMJ, Byculla and Prabhadevi students of Bhavishya Yaan celebrated Christmas on December 22nd, 2022.

The candy floss counter, popcorn, tattoo and, all the fun of jumping jack, rides, and simple climbs etc.

Santa was waiting with Christmas carols at the entrance to greet them. The kids gathered on a brightly decorated stage to take a group picture and ended up dancing on it later, too.

It was overwhelming to see their happiness.

They were also offered a sumptuous snack box and Christmas gift before leaving.

The children went back to school and raved about their outing to their friends and teachers.

Our Bhavishya Yaan students from Ambedkar, Colaba and G.K. Marg schools celebrated Christmas similarly at the CCI on December 24th, 2022.

All this was possible thanks to Rtn. Suresh Agarwal. A very big thank you to him from the Bhavishya Yaan Committee for bringing cheer and happiness to BY students year after year.



Seasonal joy at Lighthouse

Rtn. Suresh Agarwal shared the joy with Lighthouse children by also inviting them to the CCI for a Christmas party.

81 children enjoyed an afternoon of fun there, accompanied by three teachers, two mothers and a volunteer from St. Xavier's. Tattoos seemed to be a favourite among the tiny tots as they excitedly showed each other their arms, with Santa and Christmas trees!

A moon walker and mini train kept them entertained. Their face gleamed with joy at the sight of popcorn and cotton candy.

A DJ had them all on stage dancing to his tunes and the afternoon ended with a delicious snack box. After all the jumping, they were hungry and looking forward to the treat!

Rtn. Chris Bluemel became their secret Santa when he sent two Christmas cakes for all 100 children and teachers.



RCB sponsors full-day meals for disadvantaged kids

The Mission of Desire Society is to improve the lives children struggling with the impact of the HIV/AIDS pandemic in India. They provide shelter, food, treatment, education, and social security to help these victims achieve their full life potential.

Desire Society is registered as a non-profit organisation in Andhra Pradesh. Currently, Desire Society has presence in Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra, and Delhi-NCR.

The organisation focuses on disadvantaged children emphasising on HIV +ve victims, children abandoned by one or both parents, children of sex workers and children who have been abused and belong to poor socio economic conditions.

From December 25th, 2022 till January 1st, 2023, Desire society orphanage home for Aids girls will be celebrating New Year week with special nutritious food.

These full day meals are being sponsored by Rotary Club of Bombay.



ANANDA YAAN CHRISTMAS PARTY AT MAZGAON AND BYCULLA CENTRES



Medical camp for B Ward sanitation workers



A two-day deaddiction and cancer screening camp was held for sanitation and sewage workers of BMC's B Ward, at the ward office, on December 21st and 22nd, 2022. This was a joint project by Rotary Club of Bombay and Rotary Club of Addiction Prevention.

Workers who provide sanitation services to any of our big cities lead a tough life. Rotary Club of Bombay President Vineet Bhatnagar says, "They provide an invaluable and essential public service that is key to safeguarding not only the environment but also the health of citizens, and keep working despite a lethal pandemic, devastating floods, or any other calamity. But most of the time they have no government policies or comprehensive health insurance to take care of their health needs."

Most workers face health risks including cancer and heart-related problems, vascular diseases, paralysis due to stroke, and lung illnesses due to chewing tobacco, smoking and consuming alcohol. Compared to the general population, the incidence of tobacco and alcohol consumption in this group (sanitation and sewage workers) is as high as 51 per cent.

The target group chosen for this comprehensive project which included education and awareness, counselling and screening for different kinds of ailments such as hypertension, eye defects, diabetes, high sugar levels, low hemoglobin due to iron deficiency, and various kinds of cancers, was 675 sanitation workers in solid waste management from the Byculla and around area of Mumbai.

Rotary Club of Addiction Prevention President Dr. Nilam Gada adds that 125 of these were women and tobacco addiction was found in many of them. Alcohol addiction was more common among the male workers. Education remained the main focus of the project and at the camp it was explained to the addicts that substance abuse had the danger of causing cancer and other serious complications. Women were taught self-examination for breast cancer and to watch out for signs and symptoms of cervical cancer. Cancer screening involved looking out for oral cancer by visual examination, breast cancer by manual palpation and Pap smear test was done for cervical cancer. Medication for deworming, iron and calcium supplements as well as



multivitamin tablets along with eye drops, spectacles, tablets and cream for pre-malignant lesions were provided to the entire group for 1-3 months.

About the results of the screening of the 675, 30 per cent had high blood pressure and 25 per cent had elevated sugar levels, but despite that very few were on medication

required for both these conditions. About 40 per cent had low hemoglobin levels and they have been given multivitamins and iron tablets.

It is heartening that apart from Rotarians, 20 Rotaractors from RCB were also deeply engaged in the execution of the project, helping with crowd management, filling forms,

assisting the doctors and more.

The project will continue with follow-ups for deaddiction for 6 months and also referring patients to counsellors either in person or tele-consultation services for free. Rotary was felicitated by the Assistant Commissioner of B ward for this mega medical camp conducted for the workers of the ward.





AGM REPORT OF ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY, TUESDAY DECEMBER 14TH, 2022

(1) Annual Report of the Rotary Club of Bombay for the Rotary year 2021-2022:

To consider and if thought fit, to adopt the Annual Report of Rotary Club of Bombay for the year 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022.

If anybody would like to comment on the Report he/she is most welcome to do so now.

Wait for comments (if any)

We shall now adopt the Annual Report of the Rotary Club of Bombay and pass the following resolution:

“RESOLVED THAT the Annual Report of the Rotary Club of Bombay for the year 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022 be and is hereby adopted.”

The Resolution is proposed by Rtn. Sandip Agarwalla

Seconded by PP Framroze Mehta

Carried out unanimously

(2) Accounts of the Rotary Club of Bombay for the Rotary year 2021-2022:

To consider and if thought fit to adopt the Audited Statement of Accounts of the Rotary Club of Bombay for the year 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022.

If anybody has any queries regarding these accounts, IPP Shernaz Vakil and then Hon. Treasurer Kirit Kamdar will be pleased to respond.

Comments: (Rtn. Vinod) It is a clean balance sheet. When we paid the subscription for the Rotary Bulletin, there was a surplus of bulletins. I think there were no ads coming, now there is surplus in Bulletin, don't you think either reduce or waive the bulletin charges.

>>> (President Vineet) We have a simplified presentation of the accounts. (Presentation shown by Kirit Kamdar) It indicates that we run a balanced budget at the RCB level, every President does carry out this exercise of estimating the potential revenues and expenses and based on that the annual invoice amount is sent to all the members. If there is any flexibility of changing the subscription amount, it will be carried out. The objective is to run a balanced budget.

There being no other comments, we shall now adopt the Accounts of Rotary Club of Bombay and pass the following resolution.

“RESOLVED that the Audited Statement of Accounts of the Rotary Club of Bombay for the year 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022 be and are hereby adopted.”

The Resolution is proposed by PP Preeti Mehta.

Seconded by Rtn. Ashok Jatia

Carried out unanimously

(3) Accounts of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No.3 for the Rotary year 2021-2022:

To consider and if thought fit to adopt the Audited Statement of Accounts of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No.3 for the year 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022.

If anybody has any queries regarding these accounts, IPP Shernaz vakil and then Hon. Treasurer Kirit Kamdar will be pleased to respond.

** (Presentation made about the accounts) **

There being no other questions, we shall now adopt the Accounts of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No.3 and pass the following resolution.

“RESOLVED THAT the Audited Statement of Accounts of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No.3 for the year 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022 be and are hereby adopted.”

The Resolution is proposed by Rtn. Sunny Pereira

Seconded by Rtn. Farhat Jamal

Carried out unanimously

(4) Provisional Accounts of the Rotary Club of Bombay for the First Five Months of the Rotary year 2022-2023:

To consider the Provisional Statement of Accounts of Rotary Club of Bombay for the first five months of the Rotary year 2022-2023.

If anybody has any queries regarding these accounts, President Vineet Bhatnagar and Hon. Treasurer Kirit Kamdar will be pleased to respond.

(5) Provisional Accounts of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No.3 for the First Five Months of the Rotary year 2022-2023:

To consider the Provisional Statement of Accounts of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No.3 for the first five months of the Rotary year 2022-2023.

If anybody has any queries regarding these accounts, IPP Shernaz Vakil and Hon. Treasurer Kirit Kamdar will be pleased to respond.

(6) Appointment of Auditors of the Rotary Club of Bombay

M/s M.P. Chitale & Co. to be appointed as Auditors of the Rotary Club of Bombay for the Rotary year 2022-2023 and their remuneration be fixed at Rs.50,000/- per annum, exclusive of out of pocket expenses and tax.

I put forward the following Resolution:

“RESOLVED THAT M/s M.P. Chitale & Co. be reappointed as Auditors of the Rotary Club of Bombay for the Rotary year 2022-2023 and that their remuneration be fixed at Rs.50,000/- per annum, exclusive of out of pocket expenses and tax.”



The Resolution is proposed by IPP Shernaz Vakil
 Seconded by PP Zerxis Umrigar
 Carried out unanimously

(7) Appointment of Auditors of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No. 3

M/s M.P. Chitale & Co. be appointed as Auditors of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No.3 for the Rotary year 2022-2023 and their remuneration be fixed at Rs.1,00,000/- per annum, exclusive of out of pocket expenses and tax.

Shernaz Vakil
 I put forward the following Resolution
 “RESOLVED THAT M/s M.P. Chitale & Co. be reappointed as Auditors of the Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No.3 for the Rotary year 2022-2023 and that their remuneration be fixed at Rs.1,00,000/- exclusive of out of pocket expenses and tax.”

The Resolution is proposed by PP Framroze Mehta
 Seconded by Rtn. Ratna Kapoor
 Carried out unanimously

(8) Election of Officers and Directors:

The next point on the Agenda is regarding the Election of Officers for the Rotary year 2023-2024 and Directors for the Rotary years 2023-2025:

In response to the Circular dated 6th October 2022 sent to all members, the following valid nominations were received for Officers (2023-2024) and four Directors (2023-2025) of the Rotary Club of Bombay. The nominations mentioned below were scrutinised by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on 16th November 2021 and were found to be in order.

Officers for 2023-2024
 President-Elect: Rtn. Satyan Israni
 President-Nominee: Rtn. Bimal Mehta
 Honorary Secretary: Rtn. Pradeep Gupta
 Joint Honorary Secretary: Rtn. Sunny Pereira
 Honorary Treasurer: Rtn. Kirit Kamdar

Directors for 2024-2025
 Rtn. Gautam Doshi, Rtn. Rahil Shah, Rtn. Sameer Tapia & Rtn. Venkat Ramaswamy

Since one nomination was filed for each vacancy, the nominees are declared elected unopposed. Further, PE Manoj Patodia has appointed PP Sandip Agarwalla as the Additional Director for Rotary year 2023-2024. My heartiest Congratulations to all and I wish PE Manoj Patodia and his team all the very best for the ensuing Rotary year. With that, the Annual General Meeting proceedings are now closed.

WHILE COVERING THE AGENDA ITEMS

on the Financials for the period ending 30th June 2022, Hon. Treasurer Kirit Kamdar made a simplified presentation which showed the total membership fees collected from excused / non-excused members during the Rotary year under various heads. He also presented the broad heads of Income and Expense account of RCB.

The Hon. Treasurer provided a breakup of the donations received by the RCB Trust and how the same was expended across various avenues such as Medical, Education, Non-medical etc as per the Objects of the Trust. There was some Q&A

from the members seeking clarifications / additional information and everyone appreciated the presentation.

After finishing the Agenda items of the AGM, President Vineet Bhatnagar apprised Members present that several steps are being taken to ensure that RCB and RCB Trust are compliant and up to date in every respect. He shared that steps have already been taken to update the Change Report of the Trust at the Charities Commissioner’s office.

The newly appointed Internal auditors are assisting in ensuring that the GST records, IT refunds, FCRA reports and past records

of the Trust are all in order. The President brought out that RCB Trust has been receiving CSR donations from repeat and new corporate donors. In order to meet the stringent guidelines relating to CSR donations, he sought co-operation from the various Committee chairs to complete CSR reporting requirements and reiterated that the RCB office had already emailed the formats of the reports.

Finally, President Vineet mentioned that the approach of the Office Bearers, Board of Directors and Trustees in all their meetings is to maintain openness, transparency and compliance. The members present appreciated these steps.

CELEBRATIONS

Member Birthdays



DECEMBER 28

Hon. Rtn.
Ratan Tata



JANUARY 1

Rtn.
Satyanarayan
Bansal



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Rtn. Dr.
Dinesh
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JANUARY 6

Rtn. Arvind
Agarwal



JANUARY 8

Rtn. Rhea
Bhungara



JANUARY 9

Rtn. Hoshang
Nazir



JANUARY 9

Rtn.
Rajan Gupta

Anniversaries

DECEMBER 27

Rtn. Ptn. Nasreen & Rtn.
Shariq Contractor

DECEMBER 27

Rtn. Ptn. Urvashi & Rtn.
Ashok Minawala

DECEMBER 28

Rtn. Ptn. Pervin & PP Dr.
Rumi Jehangir

DECEMBER 28

Rtn. Ptn. Ranjit & Dr. Indu
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DECEMBER 28

Rtn. Ptn. Reshma & Rtn. Bipin
Vazirani

DECEMBER 29

Rtn. Ptn. Sunaina & Rtn.
Manish Kejriwal

DECEMBER 29

Rtn. Ptn. Sangeeta and Rtn.
Ashwin Mansaramani

DECEMBER 29

Rtn. Ptn. Ramesh Ashwin

DECEMBER 29

Rtn. Ptn. Brinda & Rtn. Dr.
Anand Somaya

DECEMBER 30

Rtn. Ptn. Devina & PP Nirav
Shah

DECEMBER 30

Rtn. Ptn. Aziz & Rtn.
Harshbeena Zaveri

DECEMBER 31

Rtn. Ptn. John & Rtn. Natasha
Treasurywala

JANUARY 1

Rtn. Ptn. Sangita & Rtn.
Pashupati Advani

JANUARY 4

Rtn. Ptn. Rtn. Ptn. Naheed &
Rtn. Dr. Rustom Ginwalla

JANUARY 6

Rtn. Ptn. Natasha & Rtn.
Mahesh Khubchandani

JANUARY 7

Rtn. Ptn. Sheila & PP Paul
George

JANUARY 7

Rtn. Ptn. Naveena & PN
Satyan Israni

JANUARY 8

Rtn. Ptn. Hasmina & Rtn. Dr.
Mirza Asad Karim Khan

JANUARY 8

Rtn. Ptn. Geetu & Rtn. Ramon
Kirpalaney

JANUARY 9

Rtn. Ptn. Kulsum & Rtn.
Farhat Jamal

JANUARY 9

Rtn. Ptn. Zainab & Rtn. Arif
Lokhandwalla

Rotarian Partner Birthdays

DECEMBER 30

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JANUARY 1

Rtn. Ptn. Usha Mittal

JANUARY 1

Rtn. Ptn. Zarina Mehta

JANUARY 1

Rtn. Ptn. Aziz Zaveri

JANUARY 3

Rtn. Ptn. Gauri Jatia

JANUARY 3

Rtn. Ptn. Dhvanika Thakkar

JANUARY 5

Rtn. Ptn. Aparna Ramaswamy

JANUARY 5

Rtn. Ptn. Asha Shah

JANUARY 6

Rtn. Ptn. Sushmita Bluemel

JANUARY 6

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