

Mid-Town BULLETIN

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Our 55th President

Rtn. Ashwin Ankhad (2023-2024)

President's Message



Dear Mid-Towners,

As we have kick-started the year from 1st July 2023 with great enthusiasm and energy, I would like to place before you my thoughts, vision and plans for R.Y. 23-24.

Firstly, the key to increase attendance at the weekly meetings is to get good speakers. Keeping this objective in mind, I have decided to categorize the speakers in three areas viz. "knowledge based" talks; "Struggle to Success" in different professions; and "Humour in life".

I am happy that the first two speakers of July 2023 – Rahul Joshi and Rajit Kapur drew good attendance at our weekly meets. Their respective talks on "Health & Happiness through Music" and "Struggle to Success in Theater and Film" were well received and appreciated.

The second area which I have in mind is the strengthening of our Group's image. This would be the key to attracting new members, partners and donors. Our Public Image Committee is geared to execute plans to build this. Our new logo "Being someone's reason to Smile" will spread more happiness around.

The third objective is to implement meaningful few Projects instead of diverse small Projects. We have identified for this year two mega projects "National Integration – Kashmir Project" and "Distribution of Electronic Panels for e-learning". Funds are being received and hopefully both these projects will be completed during this year.

Also during the year, our endeavours would be to help Rotary International in accomplishing the three initiatives our RI President Rtn. Gordon R. McNally is passionate about. They are

- Prioritizing Mental Health
- Peacebuilding through virtual Exchanges like Youth Exchanges & Friendship Exchanges and
- Empowering Girls.

Kindly reach out to me in case you have any question. I am here to seek and provide both assistance and support.

LET US ALL WORK together to create an INCREDIBLE year and take our Club to higher levels.

Thanking you & warm regards,

ASHWIN ANKHAD
President

Dear Readers,

As we usher in the new Rotary year under the leadership of President Ashwin Ankhad, we look with anticipation to yet another illustrious year of service and fellowship. Let us pledge to stand with the President and his team, lend a helping hand and then create the impact in transforming lives and bringing smiles and hope to the people around us.

So, if you have been given a leadership role or have the opportunity to be a part of a team, make full use of

every day of the year unfolding before you...to serve the community, help the less privileged and make a difference. Being part of a team dedicated to driving the club forward with a shared vision and a collaborative mindset is indeed an honour.

Let us embrace new challenges and commit ourselves to make a lasting impact.

Here's a toast to new beginnings !!!

Alka Ambo
Editor



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Aspiring To Achieve & Excel

“50 years life journey with Nayana”

by Rtn. Ashwin Ankhad



It has been an exciting 50 years, to remain bonded together, with all ups and downs of life.

From our engagement in 1972 to marriage in 1974, we had a golden period. Later, with two beautiful children, Gautam and Arpita, born in early 1977 and late 1978 respectively, the family became complete although with more responsibility and we became more mature to face the life ahead.

While I focused as a bread earner beginning with a monthly stipend of Rs. 500, Nayana remained a rock-solid homemaker looking after our home and children.

After doing my graduation from Ahmedabad, my father being a lawyer practicing in District court in Gujarat at Radhanpur and Palanpur, insisted on my joining Govt. Law College for my LL.B. The most glorious moment of student life was when I got the Gold Medal with First Rank in LL.M. in Bombay

University. This was followed by cracking IAS (Class 1) & ACS exams.

Further rise came from job hopping from P & G to Godrej to TATAs. It was my lifetime ambition to work with Shri. Nani Palkhiwalla, which was fulfilled. He was, apart from being an eminent jurist, a fine gentleman with a very kind heart. He and Shri. J.R.D. Tata used to sit in opposite chambers on the 4th floor of Bombay House and occasionally I used to meet JRD also. Still remember the big sign behind his chair “NO ROOM HERE FOR MISTAKES”. This inculcated the quality of perfection in everyone working under him.

Today, while on an exciting journey as President of Rotary Mid-Town, I still remember an event which denotes Mother Teresa’s words **“Not all of us can do great things but we can do small things with great love”**.



The incident vivid in my memory involved a liftman in Bombay House. He was new to the job and did not know who was J.R.D. It was a normal practice that we used to allow JRD to go first in the lift. However, the liftman politely stopped JRD and told him to come in the queue, which he obeyed. Everyone thought the guy may lose his job. However, JRD called him to his chamber, appreciated his work and gave him a prize of Rs. 100 for doing his job perfectly. This was the magnanimity of the great J.R.D.

One more incident fresh in my mind was my final interview, for the legal job in TATAs. The interview was taken by Mr. Palkhiwalla. For a week I was preparing for the same and when it happened, he asked me only two questions – what is your asset in life and what is maturity? After answering these two questions, to my shock the interview was over and came the question “when can you join?”. This was in the year 1979 and after 44 years also I vividly remember this 2-minute interview.

After a 9 years stint in Tata International, it was time to plunge into legal practice with zero income in the kitty. However, Nayana and other family members encouraged and supported me and life became even more exciting with greater challenges.

The children, meanwhile, completed their studies.

While my son Gautam became a lawyer and passed his Solicitor’s exam, Arpita became an Architect and then turned into a Fitness Coach of International repute. Nayana & I am proud of both our children and four grandchildren Aditya, Meera, Oliver and Elvis.

While I was focusing on my work, Nayana was devoting time to a lot of social activities under the banner of ‘Giants International’. She participated in medical camp at LOC – Kargil boarder, took a musical troupe to LOC – Pokhran border for army entertainment and attended all calamity affected areas from Kutch to Kanyakumari. She strongly believes in Karma and good work. She often reminds me “Karma has no menu; you get served what you deserve”.

The recent five–years journey in RC Mid-Town has been equally exciting. We were warmly welcomed and today we are life-long friends.

While JRD always advocated philanthropy and to give back to Society, Rotary made me to believe in life which if not lived for service to others is not worth living.

I would end with the words of Rabindranath Tagore who once said : “I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold – service was joy!”

Projects

Smt. Kamla Mehta Dadar School for the Blind

Smt. Kamla Mehta Dadar School for the Blind celebrated its 123rd Foundation day on 14th July 2023. The school takes care of education of about 130 blind girls, both infants to adults, to build them to face life.

Our President Ashwin Ankhad along with First Lady Nayana Ankhad with our members Purnima Kapadia, Deepak Mehta and Gaurav Kapadia with other Rotarians attended the event.

This function was presided over by Smt. Hansaben Mehta, chairperson along with Trustees of the school. Over 57 blind students performed cultural programme and skits by offering prayer, solo songs, dance, drama etc. On this occasion, our Member Mr. Gaurav Kapadia sponsored the lunch and RC Mid-Town donated for the students.

In his welcome address, President Ashwin Ankhad appreciated the selfless services of by teachers in guiding the blind students in all aspects of life and promised continued support of RC – Mid-Town to the School. As a follow up an eye-camp is being organised in August 2023 by three Ophthalmologist members of RC – Mid-Town.



Projects

J.J. Dharamsala An Afternoon well spent...

Visit to J. J. Dharamsala

RC Mid-Town organized a music program for inmates of "Sir J. J. Dharamshala Old Age Home" at Nagpada on 3rd August 2023. President Ashwin Ankhad, Nayana, Jamsheed, Geeta, Aarti, Mariam, Kajiji, IWC President Jyotika, Premnarayan, Sonal and Dr. Kasbekar attended. The Chief Trustee Mrs. Suman Anand was also present. The singer Mr. Wilfred Pereira regaled the residents of this Home with his songs and games. It was a treat to see the elderly ladies and gents singing and dancing. They all had a wonderful morning followed by lunch sponsored by Abuzar.

Our club paid Rs. 15,000 to the singer Mr Wilfred Peirera and gave Rs. 5,000 to Sir J. J. Dharamshala for lunch from the contribution of Rtn. Abuzar. Our President also gave cash prizes of Rs. 4,500 to the winners of Dance & Singing competition.

Total amount spent was about Rs.25,000/-.

Total Rotarians present: 9

Total beneficiaries: 50



Projects

Project Uttawali

29th July - Donation of Fans and Tube Lights to Utavali Aadarsh Vidyalaya and nine Aanganwadis at Vikramghad, Palghar

On 29th July our Club donated 49 Fans and 69 LED Tube Lights to Utavali Aadarsh Vidyalaya and also to nine Aanganwadis at Vikramghad, Palghar.

The Utavali School has 16 classrooms and an Assembly Hall. The Assembly Hall has been constructed by our Club in memory of our Late Rtn Yogesh Pandya.

Each of the Anganwadis has been given one fan and two LED Tube Lights. The Anganwadis do not have electricity but they took the line from nearby houses and installed the fans and lights.

11 fans and 13 LED Tube Lights have been installed in the Assembly Hall and 29 fans and 32 LED Tube Lights have been installed in 16 classrooms.

For the Utavali School we provided the instruments but the wiring and installation charges were paid by them directly. This will help them to take ownership of the project.

Project cost Rs 91,491/-

- Rtn. Jigisha Parikh



Projects

Project 'Ummeed'

A team from our Club visited Ummeed Child Development Center on 24 July 2023. Ummeed works with children with developmental disabilities which include Autism, Intellectual Disability, Down Syndrome, ADHD and Learning Disabilities amongst others. Often these are not visible leading to multiple problems in child development. The Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town has been supporting Ummeed for the past few years.

A short presentation was made by the Ummeed team followed by a walk through of the clinical space. The Rotary team also saw the Early Intervention Center where children are made school-ready and visited clinical therapy rooms. The current proposal supports children at Ummeed through their one-year cycle of diagnosis and therapy.

The visit concluded with Rotarian Gaurav Kapadia, Chairman of the Child Welfare Committee, presenting the cheques of Rs 1.00 lakh and Rs 0.20 lakhs to the Ummeed team.

- Rtn. Shernaz Tyebjee



Fellowship

Installation





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Out Of the Blue



Meetings

Humour in law "Fun in the Courtroom"

- Sonali Jalan



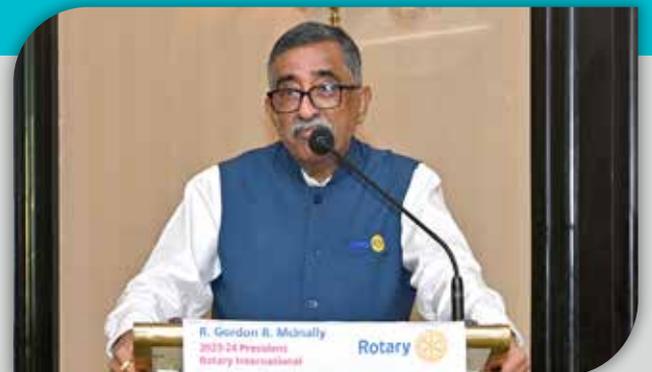
Our speaker on 26th July, 23 was PDG RTN Raju Subramanian who is a Senior Counsel and Rotary International Director.

He spoke to us on Humour in Law and kept us all in splits through the entire meeting. He started by telling us how much he was missing his wife at the meeting as he wanted his wife to hear how accomplished he was... as explained by his introduction. He said that his wife does not know what a lovely man he is married to.

He related funny anecdotes from the Parsi Matrimonial Court. He mentioned that humour in the court of law keeps the surroundings light which otherwise can get serious and depressing.

He explained that a thought implanted in a lawyers head churns and churns till he is able to get the best out of it.

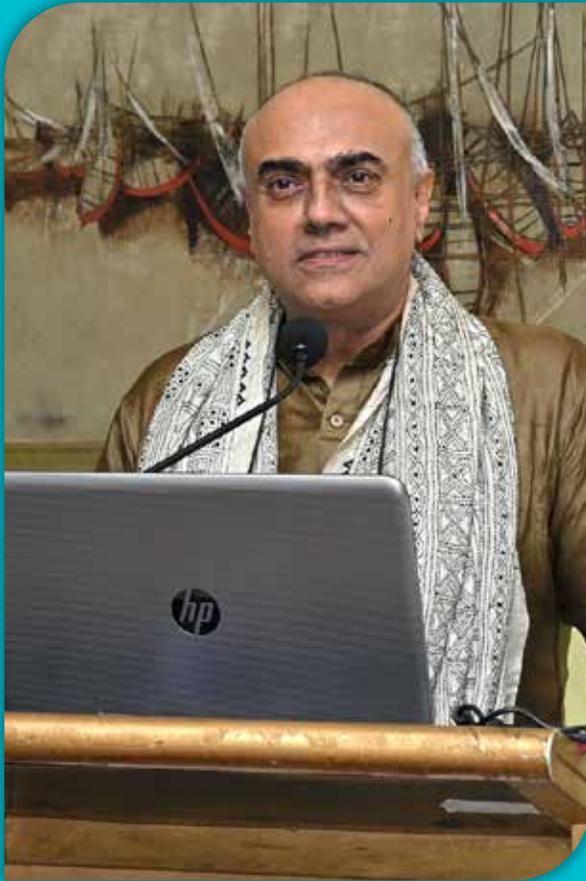
A very enjoyable and funny meeting by PDG RTN Raju Subramanian.



Meetings

An Afternoon with Rajit Kapur

- Rtn. Shernaz Tyebjee



We spent an enthralling afternoon listening to National-Award winning actor Rajit Kapur. Titled from 'Struggle to Success' in Theatre and Film', Rajit traced his acting journey from high school to college to his break out role and now his established days.

Rajit spoke about his south Mumbai upbringing and how his initial foray in acting was through the stage. Facing a bit of initial resistance from his family, Rajit decided that this was his calling and eventually his family and friends all came around and till date play a supportive role in his life. Coming from a business family, it was expected that he would join his father's export business. And so he did, but all his spare time was spent honing his art in theatre. Along with 6-7 of his close friends Rajit formed the theatre group RAGE with each member contributing Rs 1000 as the starting point. With RAGE he would go on to do some of his most challenging yet acclaimed acting roles such as in 'Love Letters', 'Class of 84' and 'The Siddhus of Upper Juhu'.

A stage performance caught the eye of one of India's most celebrated directors, Shyam Benegal, and thus began a more than 30-year mentorship and collaboration. Talking about his first appearance in a Benegal film in 1992 as the young protagonist in 'Suraj ka Satva Ghoda' to playing Gandhiji in 'The Making of the Mahatma' (1996) - this jugalbandi has spanned a National Award, three decades



and several films. Rajit mentioned that even if he has to play the role of a 'tree' he will always accept a role in a Benegal film.

Rajit spoke about his love for theatre and how his early love of theatre has nurtured a long and distinguished acting career. Whether it be in films or the digital OTT platform. He has the distinction of playing both Nehru (in 'Rocket Boys') and Gandhi.

The question and answer session was interesting and full of little acting tips and tidbits. For example, Rajit is an intuitive actor and not one who follows Method acting. A true collaboration relies heavily on the script and the director. Having grown up in Mumbai meant that he never had to struggle for a meal or a roof over his head, just for the next best role.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks proposed by Rajit's childhood and close friend of many years, Rotarian Vaibhav Sanghi. Recalling their school days with nostalgia and admiration, Vaibhav shared many wonderful memories of Rajit from their teenage days including that he was the head boy of Cathedral School and also that he always had a proclivity and interest in the creative arts. So it is no surprise that Rajit channelled his interest into a wonderful and fulfilling career.



Rtn. Zeenat Ali's Meeting With Hrh, Hon'ble Sheikh Al Nahyan Mubarak Al Nahyan, Minister for Tolerance And Coexistence United Arab Emirates

An Exhilarating Experience

My meeting with HRH, Hon'ble Sheikh Al Nahyan Al Mabarak Al Nahyan, Minister for Tolerance and Coexistence, United Arab Emirates at his beautiful Royal Palace in Abu Dhabi, May 2023 was akin to an exquisite, surreal, ethereal dream! But in reality, it was an honor- an incredible, immeasurable, memorable moment in my life I shall always cherish and treasure. With humility, I felt truly humbled and gratified by his distinguished presence, gracious reception and enlightened conversation.

From the moment I entered the majestic, regal Presidential Palace, its serenity, striking stillness, monumentally capacious circular reception room spelt awe and splendour.

My heartfelt gratitude to Shri Gopichand Hinduja, Chairman Hinduja Group - a benevolent, illustrious person, a spiritual philanthropist and a fortuitous human being, holds a special place in humanity. My deep gratitude to him being for his kindness and goodwill in enabling my introduction.

My deep admiration for HRH stems from his inspirational humanitarian vision, noteworthy mission and cardinal contribution towards the cause of Interfaith Dialogue,

Tolerance and Coexistence, essential ingredients for World Peace today. He stands tall in his noble efforts towards underpinning a prodigious Interfaith Dialogue with eminent Faith Leaders across the Globe, embracing differences, with an appreciation of diversity in world cultures so people can complement each other and contribute towards the greater good enabling harmonious coexistence. In the present milieu such an extraordinary, meritorious achievement has won him acclaim and recognition Internationally.

Our great country, India, a great civilization is a melting pot of several cultures. The Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi is as an epitome of non-violence and peaceful coexistence in the world.

I offer my humble felicitations to HRH Sheikh Al Nahyan Al Mabarak Al Nahyan for his laudable efforts towards building bridges for harmony and peace.

My deepest gratitude to HRH for his valuable time despite his busy schedule and official engagements.

**- Rtn. Zeenat Shaukat Ali,
Director General Wisdom Foundation**



Know Your Member

Rtn. Rajiv Desai



Q. Tell us about yourself... your background.

A. I have graduated from HR College of Commerce & became a Chartered Accountant. After practising for some years I became a partner in a firm of Customs Broker. Worked hard for over 35 years and have diversified into Cold Chain Warehousing Solutions for Pharma Industry & other industries. I am also a Director of a company of IATA agents.

Q. Do you consider yourself an Introvert or an extrovert?

A. I am very extrovert with my old friends from the school & college days.

Q. What is your biggest strength?

A. My wife & children

Q. How do you deal with a stressful situation?

A. I try to first understand the situation, take some time to think & ponder over the situation and try to find a solution for the problem

Q. What role does family play in your life?

A. Being a family person, it plays a very important role in my life. I always seek their support & guidance in every decision that I make.

Q. What inspires you the most - why?

A. Past experiences of my struggles & triumphs that gave me the insight of my limitations & abilities

Q. What 5 words would your friends use to describe you.

A. Jovial, Caring, always ready to help friends.

Q. What is your idea of a perfect vacation?

A. Spend time with my wife & friends, eat good food & explore new destinations

Q. What is your take on Rotary.

A. Rotary does exemplary services to the community, would definitely like to be a part of this.



Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Mid-town

Installation

The installation of Jyotika Premnarayan as President and her team of the Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Midtown was held at the Willingdon Sports Club on the 11th of July 2023. The function was attended by the Inner Wheel Club members as well as the Rotary President Mr. Ashwin Ankad and other rotary members.

There was a short talk on garbage disposal and recycling of milk pouches by Mrs Kunti Oza - Chair person of the Clean Mumbai Organization.

It was a well attended function with a very good fellowship which was enjoyed by all.



Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Mid-town

Water Cooler Project

IWC MIDTOWN completed the project of donating a water cooler to the divisional office at Bombay Central station - the officers and staff present appreciated this and said it would be very useful to them. The project was attended by Arti Gautam, Dipika Amin, Asha Bhatia and Jyotika Premnarayan.



Rotaract Club

Rotaract club of
Lala Lajpat Rai College



Writer's Unboxed, this year, aimed to clear the stigma revolving around the existence of sex workers. Sex Work is usually considered to be a demeaning work and many misconceptions are there regarding this work, the industry and the people working in it. Freedom from Stigma, includes 40+ stories of many individuals from different communities within the industry. Individuals from across the globe narrated their stories.

This year, Writers Unboxed targetted communities like Gigolos, female sex workers, female escorts, male escorts, transgender community, etc.

The project was done on a larger scale, with books being sold on various platforms as well as at Crossword, Kemp's Corner. We went one notch higher with our very own podcast episode, where President 22-23 Rtr. Malcolm Vakharia spoke about the whole process of how the idea and the dream came into its existence.

D-code Event



The event D-code was an exhilarating and challenging competition that revolved around code-breaking and clue-solving. It consisted of two phases, each presenting its unique set of codes and puzzles for the participants to decipher. In the first phase, the teams were introduced to various codes, including ASCII Code, Pigpen Cipher, Letter Number Code, and Morse Code.

Divided into teams, they embarked on a race to decode words hidden in coded formats on cards. The goal was to form a coherent sentence and submit it through a Google form to obtain the next clue. In the second phase, the challenge was elevated as participants were not given any prior knowledge about the codes they would encounter.



The chairpersons introduced five new codes - Clock Code, Zoo Code, X & O Code, Prime Number Code, and Number Grid Code. Armed with hints, the teams had to decipher the codes to reveal longitude and latitude coordinates, leading them to different locations. Racing through various places like Starbucks, Coppeto Artisan Gelato, Nana Nani Park, and Wilson College.

The event successfully tested the participants' problem-solving abilities, teamwork, and quick thinking. It required them to apply their knowledge of different codes and coordinate effectively to reach the final location.

Dr Ajay Kothari



It is indeed, painful and distressful to write as very very dear friend and fellow Rotarian Dr. Ajay Kothari, who was known to me for more than 4 decades has passed away on 3rd August 2023. I had the pleasure of knowing him as an ENT Consultant and requesting him to be a member of our Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town.

He immediately started looking for giving ENT medical service through Bhatia Hospital and other important centres besides, a large one in Malad and gave significant free Medical service.

He has given benefits, indeed from free medical ENT camps under the banner of Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town, District 314. He did it with pleasure. In fact, he has served as ENT surgeon for our Medical Centre from start of the Piramal Rotary Medical Centre for slum dwellers at Jaiphalwadi, Tardeo under the banner of Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town. Has helped numberless poor and/or nonpaying patients, particularly for hearing defects. He was running a special School called "Koshish" for Deaf and Mute in Malad.

Dr. (Mrs.) Gopa Ajay Kothari was a great inspiration and help as she held professional / teaching position at Nair Hospital and gave service jointly with him via Rotary Club of Bombay Mid-Town and in our District 314. She was even linked with Canada for Medicine social services with Ajay as stimulator and inspirational. I knew them from Medical Under-Graduate days at Nair Hospital and utilized his dedication and expertise via Rotary for the needy. For me, he was a very close friend and form limited group with PDG Kishore Jobalia.

A Gold Medalist in M.S. Examination for Bombay University, worked for all India ENT and served as author of several ENT Books related to ENT diseases. He played music and gave memorable humour in his talks.

Indeed, unforgettable contributions, notable ENT specialist and fellow Rotarian.

We pray for his soul to rest in peace.

- PDG Dr. Shirish S. Sheth

Dr Shanti Shahani



It was with deep sorrow and much love that our club mourns the passing of Dr. Shanti Mohan Shahani, ex Professor of Endocrinology at Topiwala National Medical College and Nair Hospital. Beloved wife of our very own Rtn. PP Mohan Shahani, Dr. Shanti was a respected and senior member of Innerwheel Club of Bombay Midtown herself.

Dr. Shanti Shahani was credited with starting the Endocrinology department at Nair Hospital in 1962. Quintessentially a Nairite herself, she trained a number of TNMCites in Endocrinology, who went on to become a well-known name internationally.

On a personal level, 'Shanti Aunty' as we affectionately called her, along with Mohan Uncle were very close friends of my in-laws, Rtn. Ravi & Rekha Bhandari.

Their friendship went back seventy long years. The Bhandares knew Shanti even before she got married to Mohan.

Over the years, we as a family have celebrated many milestones and joyous occasions together. Our children and grandchildren too shared a deep bond of friendship with her.

The passing away of Shanti Aunty has been a huge loss to us. May her soul rest in eternal peace and may the Almighty give Mohan Uncle the strength to cope with this irreparable void.

The beautiful, charming and accomplished Dr. Shanti Shahani will be sorely missed by us all.

- Rtn. Uttara Bhandare

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) - some guidelines

- Rtn. Anil Kamat

Bombay Midtown Rotary Trust is also now registered for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) projects in addition to having a valid 80G exemption certificate.

Member are informed that our Bombay Midtown Rotary Trust is registered under the Companies Act 2013, for carrying out CSR projects. Corporates and companies can now participate in many of our projects such as the following to meet with their annual CSR compliances. The Trust is registered Trust under the Bombay Public Trusts Act and has a valid 12 AA certificate under the Income tax Act 1961.

The following Midtown projects qualify and for funds under the CSR route.

1. Health projects such as free Paediatric Heart Surgeries project, Jalna rehabilitation project, rural health care projects at village level etc, Free cataract surgeries project, health check-up and eye screening programs for the elderly and unprivileged school and institutional children, setting up of day care centers or providing life saving equipment at municipal and charitable hospitals and clinics to treat poor patients.
2. Water and Sanitation projects such as the toilets project for rural village and slum households, clean drinking water projects, etc, free cataract surgeries program for the poor and unfolding, etc, providing water coolers and clean drinking water at public places such as railway stations, bus stops etc.
3. Food and nutrition projects such as the village children nutrition projects, Midday meal projects for underprivileged children at municipal schools and charitable institutions.
4. Education and vocational training projects such as the E learning project at municipal schools or setting up of education and vocational facilities for the Kashmiri youth under the auspices of the Indian Army, or education and e learning program for street children under our Salaam Baalak Trust program etc, or vocational training facilities at Nere Village or other villages that we have adopted. Also upgradation of schools at rural and municipal wards for the benefit of children, setting up of bal wadis and children's crèches in rural and slum areas. Also promoting women self-help groups for self-employment such as papad making, pickle making etc and other women empowerment programs.

5. Supporting maintenance of heritage and monuments of national importance.
6. Environment projects such as the fruit and tree plantation, seed distribution and environment and soil conservation and protection programs, promoting agriculture, horticulture and animal husbandry and animal welfare projects at rural villages etc.
7. Supporting the physically and mentally challenged children's programs such as development of facilities for blind children, autistic children, or street rehab programs at Salaam Baalak Trust, etc, braille E learning projects for the blind and visually impaired, Teaching aids for these children.

Companies that participate in our projects covered for CSR projects will fulfil their CSR requirements under the Companies Act and will also get our CSR certificate and full project report and account of the amount spent for the project.

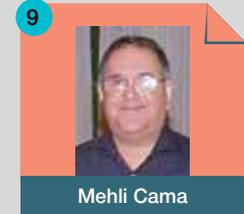
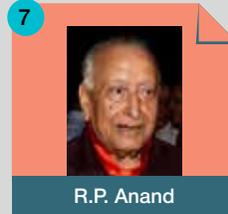
A Company can get a unique double benefit. Their participation in our CSR project approved by Rotary International Foundation, gets the Head of the Company TRF recognition and major donor status by RI. Under this scheme the minimum contribution by the company has to be Rupee equivalent of US Dollars \$21,000 which at current announced exchange rate of \$1= Rs17.22 plus 5% RI processing charges. RI will approve the CSR project on a fast track basis and the company will get the CSR recognition and Form E, and the project report on completion of the project from RI directly. |

Individual members of the Midtown club who participate by making donations directly to RI on account of the approved CSR approved project, besides the 80G certificate under the Income tax Act will get TRF recognition for their contribution will be added to their points in their TRF account.

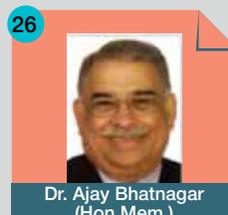
Let's do some large projects under this CSR scheme and would request members to take advantage of this for their own companies or approach their good friends in companies for CSR funds. The club office will make available all the certificates both under CSR and 80G under the Income Tax Act, and detailed project report on projects done.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY MID-TOWN OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2023-2024

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