

Know Your Rotarian – Rtn Rajesh Sahu



Rtn Rajesh Sahu is the Managing Director & CEO of Aurea Aviation, where he leads a dedicated team delivering safe, reliable, and premium aviation services, including private charters, air

ambulance support, and corporate travel. His professional journey has reinforced the importance of precision, responsibility, and service excellence.

On the personal front, Rtn Rajesh believes in growth through meaningful relationships, continuous learning, and giving back to society. His family keeps him grounded, while his work inspires him to strive for higher standards and broader impact.

Rtn Rajesh joined Rotary to be part of a community where leadership and service go hand in hand. The organisation's integrity, commitment to humanity, and emphasis on long-term impact resonated strongly with his values. Rotary offers him a platform to contribute beyond business and participate in initiatives that create meaningful change.

His Rotary journey has been deeply enriching. The fellowship, diversity of perspectives, and shared passion for service have broadened his outlook. Each meeting and project reinforces his belief that collective effort can drive positive change.

As the Rotary Service Week Chairperson, Rtn Rajesh led the club's RSW initiatives. The experience allowed him to engage closely with the community, understand real needs, and work alongside committed Rotarians. The teamwork, energy, and compassion displayed throughout the week left a lasting impression and strengthened his commitment to Rotary service.



A Word From President



I would like to sincerely appreciate the significant contribution of Rtn Rajesh Sahu across all Rotary Skycity programs and his outstanding leadership during Rotary Service Week. As the RSW Chairperson, he led the initiatives with clarity, commitment, and purpose, coordinating seamlessly with multiple Rotary Clubs across District 3141 and the dedicated volunteers of Rotary Skycity. His ability to bring diverse teams together ensured the smooth execution of impactful projects. Rtn Rajesh's leadership truly reflects the spirit of Rotary, and he continues to be a valuable asset to the Rotary Skycity leadership.

Rtn. Jiten Mehta,
Charter President, RC SkyCity Borivali

Rotary Service Week 2025 Begins with a Bang – Eye Check-up Camp



Rotary Service Week 2025 commenced on a high note with an impactful Eye Check-up and Eye Care Camp as its first initiative. The camp was led by the Rotary Club of Skycity and co-led by the Rotary Club of Mumbai 101 and the Rotary Club of Borivali, and was organised at Visicare Eyecare & Surgery, Thakur Complex, Kandivali, a state-of-the-art eye hospital owned by Dr Mauli Potdar.

The camp was conducted under the expert guidance of Dr Mauli Potdar, Eye Surgeon, member of Rotary Club of Skycity, and RSW Chairperson, with strong support from Rtn Ashish Potdar and the dedicated Visicare team. Held from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm, the camp took place in a modern, air-conditioned facility equipped with advanced infrastructure for comprehensive eye testing.

A total of 75 patients from underprivileged backgrounds benefited from detailed eye examinations, including vision assessment, intra-ocular pressure (IOP) checks, retinal scans, and cataract evaluation. Several patients received complimentary eye drops and medication, and a few shared written testimonials appreciating the quality of care.

All patients were extended warm hospitality with packed snack boxes and packaged drinking water. The camp saw enthusiastic participation and dedicated support from members of the lead and co-lead clubs. Special mention is due to Rtn President Jiten Mehta, First Lady Jaina Mehta, Rtn Rajesh Sahu, Rtn Natwar Pareek, Rtn A.G. Lalchand Mewara, Rtn Hetal Tapiawala, and Rtn Mehul Parekh, along with many other volunteers who worked tirelessly to ensure the success of the camp.

The initiative created a meaningful and lasting impact on the community and truly embodied Rotary's motto of Service Above Self, setting the tone for many more impactful initiatives during Rotary Service Week.



Rotary Service Week Project – Blood Donation Camps



As part of Rotary Service Week, the Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali organised impactful Blood Donation Camps in association with Navjeevan Blood Bank, led by Dr Mayuri Jobanputra, Medical Director, RCSB. The camps were conducted at two locations on the same day—Aurea Café in the morning and Sky City in the evening.

This initiative built upon Dr Mayuri Jobanputra's journey in blood donation drives that began with her first camp in February 2025. While the inaugural effort came with some apprehension, it proved highly successful with 104 bottles of blood collected, later helping patients in critical situations and highlighting the life-saving impact of such drives.

Rtn Rajesh Sahu volunteered his Aurea Café for the first camp, where outreach was undertaken by personally visiting offices within the building to explain how a single blood donation can save up to three lives. At Sky City, donors were mobilised through interactions across common areas, outreach to past donors, and strong on-ground coordination, resulting in the collection of over 110 bottles of blood, breaking the club's earlier record and helping save many more lives.

The camps saw enthusiastic participation from Rotary Skycity members and Rotary Clubs from District North. With each camp, valuable learnings emerged in planning, coordination, donor comfort, and awareness building. Above all, the initiative reinforced a powerful truth—one bottle of blood can save three lives—making this project a proud milestone in Rotary Skycity's service journey and a reflection of Service Above Self.

"In the end, what stayed with me is a simple truth—blood donation truly makes a difference. When a family member is in need, these units become a lifeline. I am deeply grateful to everyone who stepped forward and made this drive a success."

— Dr Mayuri Jobanputra





Rtn Meenakshi

A Collective Step Towards Saving Lives

As part of Rotary Service Week, the Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali, along with three partnering Rotary clubs, participated in a large-scale Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Camp held at the Rotary Medical Centre, Dahisar. The initiative stood as a strong testament to Rotary's commitment to preventive healthcare and community well-being. The event was led by Rtn Meenakshi Aman, with strong support from Rtn Rajesh Sahu, Rotary Skycity members, and volunteers from partnering clubs.

A total of 168 screenings were conducted during the camp, providing women from nearby underprivileged localities access to essential diagnostic services that are often difficult to afford. Of the 102 breast screenings, 13 cases were identified as suspected and advised further medical evaluation. Early detection remains one of the most effective tools in the fight against cancer, and timely identification of such cases can be truly life-saving.

A key highlight of the camp was the enthusiastic participation of women volunteers from Rotary Club of Skycity. Their discipline, compassion, and tireless efforts ensured smooth operations, especially during peak hours. Their contribution was acknowledged and appreciated even at the district level, making it a proud moment for the club.

Strong community mobilisation further strengthened the initiative. Proactive outreach within Sky City women's groups and neighbouring societies encouraged many women to come forward for screening. Seamless coordination with the medical team ensured a supportive and welcoming environment throughout the day.

More than a medical initiative, the camp reflected Rotary's ethos of Service Above Self, demonstrating the power of collaboration, volunteer commitment, and community trust to create impact that goes well beyond numbers and truly touches lives.



Breaking Barriers, Building Bonds – Senior Citizens' Day Celebration

The Senior Citizens' Day Celebration was a heartfelt initiative by the Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali, dedicated to honouring and engaging the senior citizens of the Skycity community. The event aimed to give back to those who have given so much by dedicating meaningful time and attention to their happiness and well-being. The event was led by Sheetal Agarwal, who kept the senior members enthralled with her engaging compering, exciting games, and fun anecdotes, supported by the enthusiastic participation of the entire Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali membership.

For over two joyful hours, senior citizens were truly the stars of the occasion. The objective was simple yet powerful—to bring them together, make them feel valued, and remind them that they remain an integral and cherished part of society. Participants were encouraged to step forward, showcase their talents, and immerse themselves in the spirit of togetherness.

With no judgments or restrictions, the atmosphere was filled with warmth, laughter, and freedom. It was heartening to witness seniors singing, dancing, playing games, and sharing moments of genuine joy. The celebration created a welcoming space where everyone could express themselves freely and reconnect with one another. Snacks were arranged for all participants, along with a thoughtful return gift of a mobile phone holder, which was appreciated by everyone.

The event left behind smiles, laughter, and lasting memories. Rotary Skycity remains committed to continuing such initiatives that foster inclusion, dignity, and emotional well-being for senior citizens, reinforcing Rotary's belief that service goes beyond material support to nurturing meaningful human bonds.

~ Sheetal Agarwal, Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali



"Organising the Senior Citizen Day celebration was a deeply heartwarming experience for me. The love and blessings we received were truly priceless—they welcomed us like family and enjoyed every moment. I am grateful to Rotary for giving me the opportunity to serve and grow. It was my first time organising such a large event, and it is an experience I will cherish forever."



HAPPY STREET

The Rotary Happy Street – Kids & Teens Zone, hosted by the Rotary Club of Borivali, saw enthusiastic participation from multiple Rotary clubs, including the Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali. The event was held on Sunday, 9th November 2025, along Thakur Road, Thakur Village, Kandivali (East), transforming the street into a lively hub of creativity and youthful energy.

Designed as an inclusive space for children, teenagers, and families, the Kids & Teens Zone encouraged self-expression, physical activity, and community bonding. The morning featured a vibrant mix of creative and performance-based activities such as pottery, craft stations, denim art workshops, hip-hop sessions, beatboxing and rap battles, music jam sessions, mixed martial arts demonstrations, stand-up comedy, mentalism acts, interactive games, and a popular selfie zone.

The zone added colour, rhythm, and excitement

to Happy Streets, drawing cheerful participation throughout the morning. The initiative showcased Rotary's commitment to community engagement, proving that public spaces can be transformed into joyful platforms for creativity, talent, and togetherness.



CYBERCRIME AWARENESS SESSIONS IN SCHOOLS

As part of Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali's focus on youth education and digital safety, cybercrime awareness sessions were conducted on 3rd November, coinciding with the reopening of schools after the Diwali vacation. The initiative was led by multiple Rotary Clubs of North Mumbai, with Rtn Rajesh Sahu leading the effort from Rotary Skycity Borivali.

The sessions were organised in coordination with school authorities to ensure effective student engagement. At Anudatt Vidyalaya, sessions were conducted for Std. IX and Std. X students of the Marathi medium, reaching approximately 245 students across two time slots.

At Pioneer School, a combined session was held for nearly 100 students of Std. XI and XII. Attendance varied slightly as it was the first day after the vacation, but participation and interaction were encouraging.

The sessions focused on cyber safety, online risks, and responsible digital behaviour—topics of growing importance in today's digital environment. Through such initiatives, Rotary Skycity continues to empower young minds with awareness and practical knowledge, reinforcing Rotary's commitment to education, safety, and community well-being.

Etiquette Training for Skycity Staff

by Dr Marilyn Miranda

As part of its commitment to personal development and professional excellence, the Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali organised an Etiquette Training session for Skycity staff, conducted by Dr Marilyn Miranda, an expert in etiquette, communication, and personality development.

The session focused on enhancing confidence, interpersonal skills, and professional conduct in daily interactions. Participants were guided on workplace etiquette, body language, grooming, and effective communication—essential elements for creating a positive and respectful work environment.

Dr Marilyn Miranda's engaging and practical approach made the session interactive and easy to relate to. Through real-life examples and simple techniques, staff members gained clarity on how small behavioural changes can significantly improve professional effectiveness and personal presentation.

The training was warmly received by the participants and reinforced Rotary Skycity's belief that meaningful service also includes investing in people and empowering them with skills that build dignity and confidence at work.

"We truly enjoyed the insights and guidance shared during the session. It was informative, engaging, and very helpful for our daily work. We sincerely hope for your continued support and guidance. Thank you for empowering us."

— Housekeeping Team, DKT (Staff Supervisor)



United Nations Experience

~ A Learning in Diplomacy & Collaboration

Rotarians participated in an engaging United Nations-style simulation organised by the Rotary Club of Bombay Pier, led by Neha Ma'am, with excellent coordination by Dr Quraish Apurv, Rupen, and Ian. The event proved to be an intellectually stimulating experience that kept participants actively engaged throughout the day.

Delegates from various clubs came together to exchange perspectives, form country blocs, and represent nations in simulated global discussions. Participants worked through drafting resolutions, debating viewpoints, and navigating the complexities of diplomacy. While no draft resolutions were accepted after long deliberations, the process highlighted the

importance of discipline, perseverance, and respect for procedure.

The spirit of collaboration was evident, with special appreciation for the resilience of Team Sri Lanka, the strong contributions of Team France and Team Finland, and the strategic efforts of Team Sweden, which ultimately chose Finland to second its resolution.

The experience was complemented by warm hospitality, including breakfast, lunch, and high tea. Representing Rotary Club of Oberoi Skycity, Kandivali East, Rtn Sneha Oza described the session as enriching and expressed hope for future editions.

by Rtn Sneha Oza

Harmony & Wealth Conclave – Integrating Well-Being with Financial Wisdom

The Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali hosted the Harmony & Wealth Conclave, an exclusive evening thoughtfully designed to integrate inner well-being with strategic financial insight. The event brought together Rotarians and guests for a meaningful experience that balanced mindfulness and wealth management in today's fast-paced world.

The evening began with an energising and insightful wellness session on the importance and relevance of Yoga in modern life, conducted by Vishwa Bhatt, an accomplished yoga practitioner. Daughter of Dr Bimal Bhatt and Dr Trupti Bhatt, senior medical professionals and International Art of Living faculty, Vishwa Bhatt held the audience captivated with her perspectives on how yoga supports physical health, mental clarity, and emotional balance. The session concluded with the practice of Bhastrika Pranayama, focusing on breathing and meditation, leaving the entire audience feeling calm, centred, and deeply relaxed.

This was followed by a high-impact talk on Wealth Management and Investment Strategy, delivered by a senior leader from Kotak Mahindra Bank, offering valuable insights into financial planning and long-term wealth creation.

Sponsored by Kotak Mahindra Bank, the conclave concluded with a cocktail and dinner, creating an atmosphere of reflection, learning, and fellowship. The Harmony & Wealth Conclave truly reflected Rotary Skycity's commitment to holistic growth—nurturing both personal well-being and financial awareness.



PLANS FOR DECEMBER AND BEYOND

– Looking Forward

Rotary Club of Skycity Borivali looks ahead to the coming months with an exciting mix of fellowship, celebration, leadership, and travel.

Key upcoming plans include:

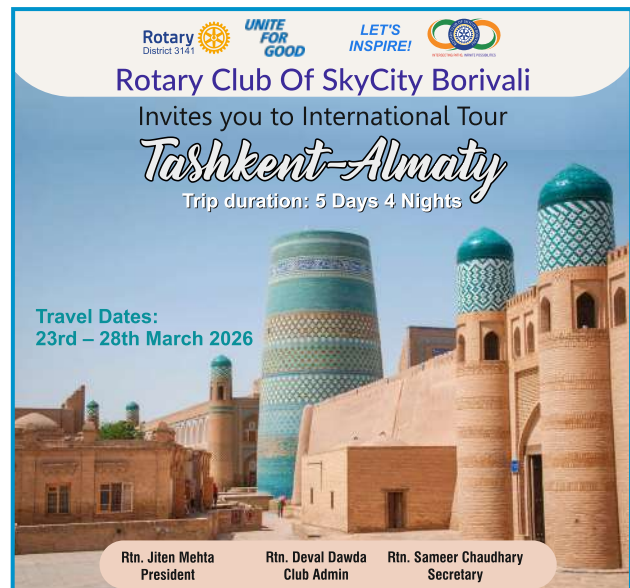
7th December	Treasure Hunt: A fun-filled fellowship event promoting teamwork and bonding.
9th December	AGM & Dinner: Review of the club's journey, announcement of the New BOD, and address by the President-Elect.
26th December	Rotary First-Year Celebration: A festive evening celebrating milestones and togetherness.
17th January	Musical Evening: A Hindi music program organised by Dr Deepali Patil (OSC) for a cancer charity.
8th–9th February	DISKON: District Conference focused on learning and networking.
Mid-March	International Fellowship Trip - Proposed trip to Tashkent and Almaty

The months ahead promise vibrant fellowship and continued Rotary spirit of Service Above Self.

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As we bring you this edition of Skycity Pulse, November stands out as a month of purposeful service and vibrant fellowship. Rotary Service Week saw impactful initiatives such as eye care, blood donation, cancer screening, and cybercrime awareness, touching lives across the community.

The month also featured engaging programs like Happy Streets, Senior Citizens' Day celebrations, etiquette and wellness sessions, and a unique United Nations experience. Each initiative reflects the collective energy, compassion, and commitment of our members.

With several exciting fellowship events, celebrations, and initiatives planned for December and the months beyond, the journey ahead promises to be equally engaging and rewarding.

Pulse is your newsletter—a space to celebrate service, share stories, and inspire one another. Your participation, contributions, and sharing will continue to enrich it and strengthen our Rotary bond.

Ashish Potdar
Managing Editor.