



# ROTARY CLUB OF KOLHAPUR

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A true triumph for Rotary District 3170 as our club played host to an inspiring event, **Membership Development and Vibrant Club Seminar**, that ignited the spirit of growth and dynamism through Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. On the remarkable dates of **5th and 6th August 2023**, Rotarians from across the RI District 3170 united for an unforgettable experience.

Guided by the visionary leadership of Event Chairman Rtn. Amit Mate, the event saw over 100 enthusiastic attendees come together to foster a stronger, more vibrant Rotary community. The anticipation was palpable as we welcomed the eminent **PRIP Rtn. Kalyan Banerjee**, who graced the occasion as **Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker**. His words resonated deeply, setting the tone for the incredible journey that awaited.

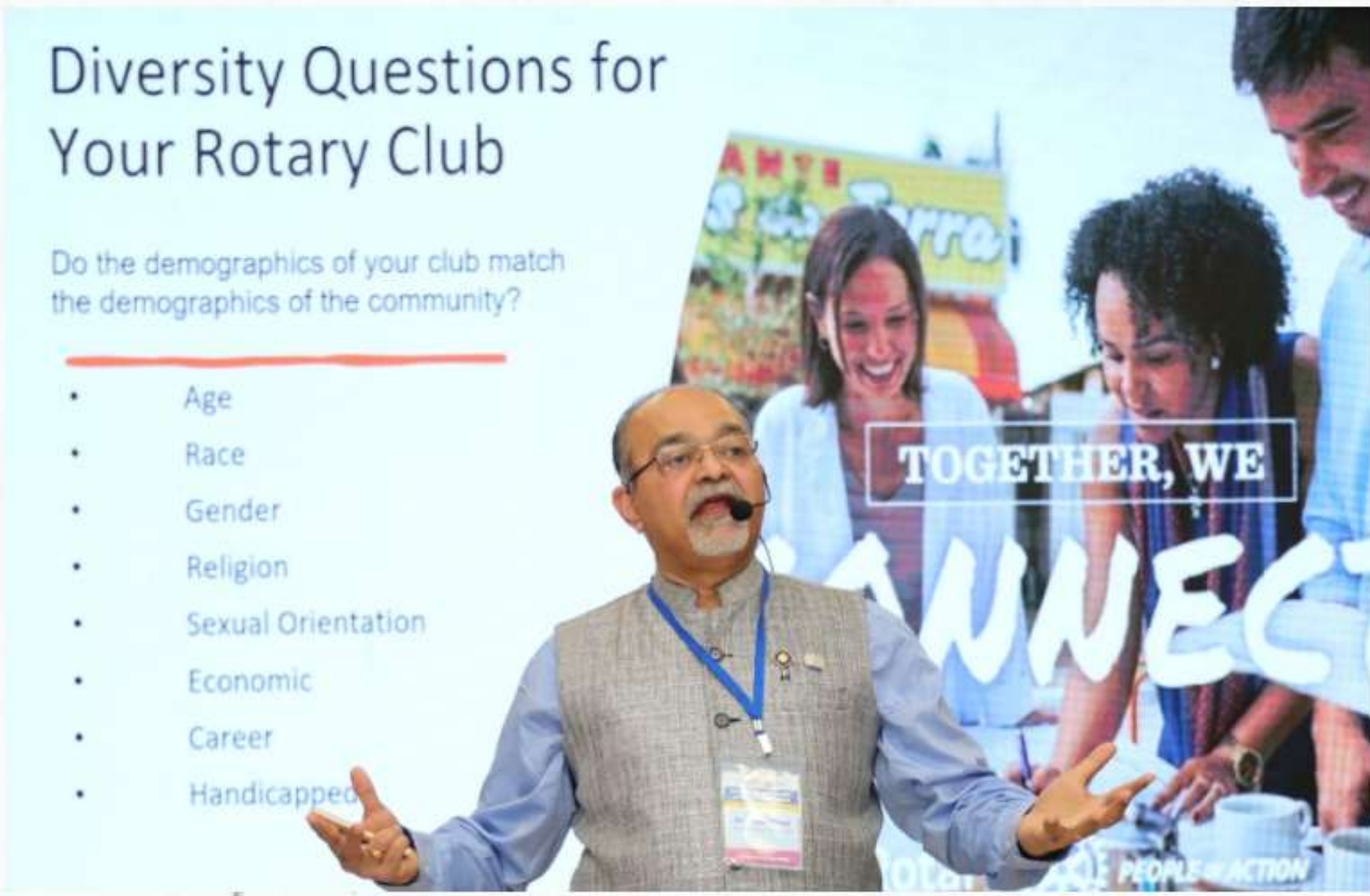
A constellation of luminaries graced the stage, including Rtn. Dr. Lenny Da Costa, DGE Rtn. Sharad Pai, DGN Rtn. Arun Bhandare, ARC Rtn. Abhay Gadgil, Rtn. Ravi Hunje, and PDG Pratap Puranik. Their insights and wisdom electrified the atmosphere, leaving an indelible mark on every attendee.

The event buzzed with camaraderie, knowledge sharing, and boundless enthusiasm. The Q&A sessions were a revelation, fostering productive conversations that enriched the experience. In the two days, a positive impact on the district rippled, invigorating our collective purpose and passion for Rotary service.

Some great moments from the event:









## FRIENDSHIP DAY - ROTARY ROTARACT JOINT PROJECT

6 AUG 2023

On 6th August Rotaract club of Kolhapur hosted "Friendship Day" in collaboration with Rotary club of Kolhapur, Rotaract club of Swarajya and Interact club of Podar international school.

For event dignitaries like Rotary Secretary Rtn. Pradeep Pasmal, Rtn. Rtr. Sahil Gandhi, Rtn. Harshad Dhale and Rtn. Dhiraj Batheja, Rotaract President Rtr. Shreyas Patil, Secretary Rtr. Rugved Bidnur, Rotaract Club of Swarajya President Rtr. Suraj Patil and Interact President Gargi Kale were present.

The total number of attendees for project were 50+ and enjoyed attending Ice breaking sessions, brain storming quizzes, Team building activities, Interactive games and Felicitation & Fellowship. For the very first time all 4 clubs collaborated and experienced an amazing event. Event Chairman was Rtr. Bhagyashree Sarda and with her fellow Rotaractors the session were hosted for all.



## BLOOD DONATION CAMP

7 AUG 2023

Empowering our Community Service avenue, we hosted a transformative Blood Donation Camp on 07-08-2023 at Yugpravartak Social Work Foundation in Shiye, Kolhapur. The event witnessed an incredible turnout as 41 compassionate individuals generously donated pints of life. Together, we're forging a healthier, caring community through impactful initiatives that echo our commitment to making a lasting difference.





**Col V H Tendulkar** graced this week’s meeting with his special presence. He gave the audience a very clear picture of the combat of the **Galwan Valley** and Chinese intrusion, viz. **Op. Snow Leopard**. Rotarians, Anns and Rotakids were equally immersed in his speech and listened attentively to the presentation. Looking at actual footages of the attack was very different from what we usually watch on news channels; that too coming from the Commanding Officer of the concerned Regiment himself.

He highlighted the positive outcomes of the operation Snow Leopard. Such experiences teach us a lot of important life lessons. As India’s situation on the international front is much better than before, the sheer strong will of the soldiers proved that we can win even in the most difficult situations. Our army of 700 soldiers was attacked by a force of 3000 fully equipped Chinese soldiers, in spite of which we successfully forced them to retreat. This boosted the morale of the entire nation, not just the Army. Also, under a strong leadership, India has built the necessary infrastructure and facilities to support the Armed Forces in such extreme situations.

On the other hand, the Chinese army suffered a few consequences because they failed to prioritize the right things in life, giving more importance to the political leadership rather than patriotic service towards the nation. Taking lessons from them, we felt the urge to invest more in HR as it will pave the way for a bright and successful future. Such a thoughtful outlook on the operation led to a very lively interaction with the audience.





DONATION OF MUSIC SYSTEM AT VIKRAM HIGH SCHOOL

11 AUG 2023

Enhancing education and harmony, we donated a music system to Vikram High School, Shivaji Park, Kolhapur, on 11-08-2023. President Rtn. Siddharth Patankar and Secretary Rtn. Pradeep Pasmal graced the event.



ROTAKIDS CORNER



NIHARIKA DEEPAK CHARANE



JHANAVI ASHISH BHOSALE SECURED 3RD RANK IN  
DIST. TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT



LAVANYA ATUL BANSAL



AARAV JAY PATEL



MEMBERS CORNER

KNOW YOUR MEMBERS



Rtn. Shobha Arvind

Rtn. Shobha Arvind, a devoted Rotarian since 2021, is an enthusiastic advocate for community service. Alongside her husband Rtn. Arvind Krishnan and their children Yuthika and Ayush, she actively engages in Rotary initiatives. A dedicated educator for a decade, Shobha imparts her expertise to CA and CS students. Her commitment extends to fostering communication skills in youngsters. Notably, she coordinates the EarlyAct club of Kolhapur and plays a pivotal role in the deaf nursery project.

**Classification:** Education

**Occupation:** Educator

**Education:** B.Com, LL.B., B.Ed.  
Currently pursuing MA (English)

**Hobbies:** Reading and travelling



Rtn. Deelip Chunilal Shah

Rtn. Deelip Chunilal Shah, a dedicated Rotarian since 1995, exemplifies unwavering commitment to service. With an impressive record of attending various director board avenues, he earned the Best Secretary Award in 2006 and assumed the role of Vice President in 2007. A fixture in Rotary activities, Deelip's involvement extends to Probus Club as director since 2008. Notably, he has led a daily laughter club at Nana Nani park since 2005, and his remarkable attendance of almost 90% of meetings yearly reflects his deep dedication to Rotary ideals.

**Occupation:** Doctor, Radiologist

**Classification:** Medical Doctor

**Education:** MD DMRE, DMRD.

**Hobbies:** Travelling, Music, Socializing



Rtn. Vijay Prabhudas Vatkar

Rtn. Vijay Vatkar, an active Rotarian from Kolhapur, is dedicated to promoting and endorsing impactful Rotary initiatives. Alongside Ann Ashwini, he actively champions ongoing projects in their hometown. Managing his three businesses with a commendable balance of health and competitiveness, Vijay exemplifies leadership. His commitment to both Rotary and entrepreneurial endeavors defines his multi-faceted dedication to enhancing his community.

**Occupation:** Leather Tanning,  
Hospitality & BPCL Retail Outlet

**Classification:** Leather Tanning

**Education:** Leather Technology

**Hobbies:** Listening Music

UPCOMING EVENTS

12  
AUG 2023

Yearly Stag Trip  
LOCATION: GOA

15  
AUG 2023

Independence Day Flag Hoisting  
LOCATION: RSSK, KOLHAPUR

15  
AUG 2023

Rotakid Installation  
LOCATION: RSSK, KOLHAPUR

30  
AUG 2023

Club Business Meeting  
LOCATION: RSSK, KOLHAPUR



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

18 AUG Rtn. Dr. Rajendra Patil

21 AUG Rtn. Upendra Deuskar

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

19 AUG Rtn. Mahesh Kulkarni & Ann Yogita



ROTARY CLUB OF KOLHAPUR'S  
ROTARY SAMAJ SEVA KENDRA BUILDING

NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY | 16 AUG 2023

GUEST SPEAKER



VENDANT MANDRUPKAR

SUB: USE CASES OF AI IN  
BUSINESSES & FUTURE OF AI  
(ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE)

We request Ann's &  
Annette's to attend this  
meeting.

🏆 NATION BUILDER AWARD 🏆  
Felicitation of Outstanding Teachers

Our club will be holding the award ceremony on  
Wednesday, **6th September 2023** and request our  
Club members to suggest suitable teachers in various  
government or government aided schools for this  
award. The deadline for considering applications is till  
15th August.

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