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Dental check-up in a slum

Team Rotary News



Above: DG Gulbahar Retole along with district members at the inauguration of the Pre-PETS and SETS of RID 3090.

RC Patiala Midtown, RID 3090, in association with Innerwheel Club of Patiala Main, organised a dental check-up and awareness camp for the students and their parents living in the slum areas. The camp was conducted at Meri Awaj Suno Pathshala, Patiala. Dr Ansuia, Dr Kanika Jain and Dr Pankita, along with their team, examined the teeth of over a hundred children. Dental kits and refreshments were distributed among the students.



A dental camp in progress.

The club hosted the Pre-PETS and SETS for RID 3090 for the Rotary year 2023–24 under the leadership of DGE Ghanshyam Kansal. The events took place at the Rotary Bhawan, Patiala. DG

Gulbahar Retole inaugurated the event. Presidents and secretaries from 30 clubs were trained by district trainer PDG Prem Aggarwal, district chief advisor PDG Amjad Ali and their team. ■

On the cover: Rotarians of RC Sonapat Midtown, RID 3012, giving sweater to a student.

A mega blood donation camp

Team Rotary News

A mega blood donation camp along with health check-up was organised by RC Agra Neo, RID 3110, with the support of SN Medical College, Agra, and Raja Balwant Singh Engineering Technical Campus, Bichpuri.

Club president Dr Abhinav Chaturvedi, donating blood for the 13th time, and secretary Yatesh Singh set an example by doing the first registration to formally inaugurate the camp. Programme coordinators Dr Shachipati Pandey and Dr Nitin Agarwal urged the college students to take active part in the blood donation drive and motivated them to serve the society in every manner. In his speech, AG Dr Pankaj Nagayach said a “single unit of blood can be separated into different components. But even with the progress in medical technology,



RC Agra Neo president Dr Abhinav Chaturvedi (left) and AG Dr Pankaj Nagayach (right) at the blood donation camp.

there is no artificial replacement for blood.”

While the target was to collect 100 units of blood, the camp collected 120 units and it has to be stopped due to shortage of medical kits and accessories. Senior most member of the club Arun Kumar

Singh thanked the management of engineering college, staff of pharmacy and department of transfusion at the SN Medical College for providing the support and material for the event. Certificates of appreciation and medals were given by SN Medical College to all blood donors.■

World Diabetes Day events at RID 3232



Rtn Dr Sumedha presenting a memento to a Rotarian at the seminar in the presence of DG N Nandakumar (3rd from L).

Seminars, awareness programmes and random blood sugar tests followed by counselling were conducted by RID 3232 clubs to mark World Diabetes Day (Nov 14).

Rtn Dr Sumedha, spouse of DG N Nandakumar, presided over a seminar in which doctors from various specialties gave talks on prevention and control of diabetes. Also, demonstration by yoga expert,

dietitian's lecture and aerobics were conducted at the seminar. RC Chennai IT City won the slogan-writing competition for clubs with an attractive tagline: *Walk regularly, eat carefully, check periodically, bye bye diabetes.*■

Sweaters for students

Team Rotary News



Rotarians with school students holding sweaters donated by the club.

Sweaters and winter jackets were distributed by RC Sonapat Midtown, RID 3012, to girl students at the Government Senior Secondary School at Shazadpur Turk to protect them against cold weather.

In a similar project, the club distributed woollen sweaters to

poor children at the Government HS School, Model Town, in the presence of Rotarians, assistant governors, school principal, teachers and Lalit Batra, chief, Public Relations, Haryana government.

Sanitary napkins were distributed at an awareness

camp on menstrual hygiene at the S D Girls School. Rtn Dr Anju Miglani spoke on the occasion. With the support of Rotaract Club of GVMITM, a blood donation camp was conducted in which 130 units of blood was collected. A large number of girls donated blood.■

A sports meet for special children

A sports meet was conducted for the differently-abled students of School Preparatory Training Centre by RC Mayiladuthurai Pride, RID 2981, with AG CK Balaji, zone-10, as chief guest.

Club president K Tamilazhagan, president-elect R Saravanan and district resource supervisor R Murugaiyan spoke at the inaugural session of the sports meet. Rtns A Thiagarajan and E Ajay Kumar gave the felicitation address.

Annapurna programme secretary Raghupathi Raman, club secretary N Kasthuri



A special child being awarded by AG CK Balaji and RC Mayiladuthurai Pride president K Tamilazhagan at the sports meet.

Ganesan, past president A Pandian, Rtn Velayutham and Saravanan sponsored

lunch for the students. All the differently-abled students were given gifts by club members.■



DG Rajmohan Nair with his wife Meera inaugurating the dogs' home.

A shelter for stray dogs

Team Rotary News

Rotary Club of Coimbatore East, RID 3201, set up a canine home at Ondipudur on the outskirts of Coimbatore. Around 80 stray dogs were being taken care of in a shelter run by a couple, Sheela and Rajesh, and the club helped in building a bigger home for the animals.

The dogs and pups are given medical treatment and are also given away for adoption by animal lovers.

DG Rajmohan Nair inaugurated the facility in the presence of IPDG Rajasekhar, DGN Sundaravadivelu, members of RC Coimbatore East and Rotaractors.

The endeavour is part of the governor's priority project titled 'Inclusiveness,' said project coordinator R Vijay Krishnan. ■



Students debate at Model UN Assembly

Team Rotary News

Aiming to create awareness on global and geopolitical issues among the youth, RC Nagpur Vision, RID 3030, hosted a Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA), for 350 students of Classes 6–10 from 25 state board schools at the St Ursula Girls' High School in the city.





During the inaugural, PDG Prakash Shesh motivated the students to take part in such events and urged all the participants to make full use of this MUNA that was staged in a packed hall. Students representing different countries were formed into committees to raise specific global issues which were debated and moderated by chairs and co-chairs, before the resolutions were adopted with voting.

Left: Students adopting a resolution by raising their nationality cards at the MUNA session.

Below: A packed audience comprising Rotarians, students and teachers at the MUNA event in Nagpur.



The UN subcommittees took up issues like disarmament, status of women, education, culture and science, et al. They were headed by eminent people who moderated the discussions and ensured the resolutions for or against the topic were adopted smoothly after voting. "Some of the global issues were fiercely debated by students who used the MUNA platform to exhibit their knowledge of current affairs and showcased their debating skills," said Ritika Singhvi, secretary, RC Nagpur Vision.

The club ensured regular breaks during heated sessions to provide refreshments and lunch which enabled the students to relax and recharge their batteries.

The performance of students were graded by panel chairs and co-chairs. And those who excelled in the debate were given Best Delegate, High Commendation, Special Mention and Verbal Mention certificates. All of them got participation certificates at the valedictory event. "We have been hosting MUNA over the last five years for state board students to fill a lacuna as this event is mostly done at CBSE schools," said Ritika.

MUNA director general Priyanka Gandhi, a veteran in organising MUNA events in Nagpur and a staff at The Jain International School, got help from her senior students who took part as chairs of UN panels. Club president Dr Shivani Sule, advisors Sohrab Kanga, Manish Agrawal director Dhawal Jain, secretaries general Aditiraje Bhonsle, Jigna Thakkar and MUNA chairperson Mamta Kanga are behind the success of the event. ■

Xmas gifts for children

Team Rotary News



The Rotarians of RC Kushinagar, RID 3120, gifted woollen caps, stationery and sweets on

Christmas-eve to 125 children at the Premwaliya Primary School on the outskirts of Kushinagar.

Shawls were presented to the school staff, and entertainment programmes were conducted for the children. ■

RC Ambajogai City observes World Polio Day

RC Ambajogai City, RID 3132, observed World Polio Day on Oct 24 with a 2,500 sqft rangoli with the words *End Polio Now* and Rotary's theme for the year — *Imagine Rotary*.

The club members contributed money to be sent to TRF for the Polio Fund. ■



An orphanage gets a biodiversity park

Team Rotary News

RC Deonar, RID 3141, led by its president Vidhya Subramanian, has planned to set up a biodiversity park at the Chembur Children's Home in Mankhurd near Mumbai.

PRID Ashok Mahajan presided over a *bhoomi puja* for a vegetable garden which was the first phase



Padma Kapoor, past president, RC Deonar, distributes new clothes to children in an orphanage.



PRID Ashok Mahajan and club president Vidhya Subramanian at the *bhoomi puja* for a vegetable garden at the Chembur Children's Home.



Club president Vidhya installs the office-bearers of Interact Club of General Education Academy, Chembur.

of the environment project.

Dnyaneshwar Bodke, founder of Abhinav Farmers' Club, was the guest of honour. "Children can learn gardening and the project can foster skill development and open up employment opportunities for them," said Mahajan.

The club's past president Padma Kapoor distributed new clothes for the children at the orphanage and at another one, the Bal Kalyan Nagri.

Vidhya's daughter has promised to contribute ₹6 lakh for setting up a butterfly garden at the site.

In another initiative, the club repaired the computers at the Shahaji Nagar Tamil Municipal Public School with the help of club member Sanjay Mehta.

The Rotarians took 125 children from three schools to watch *Raksha Bandhan* movie at the Cubic Mall in Chembur, bringing joy to the little ones. ■



Schoolchildren at a theatre watching a movie sponsored for them by the club.

D 2981

RC Manora Pattukkottai

New dresses were given to 80 conservancy workers of the municipality ahead of Diwali. Also, sweet packets were distributed to poor children. DG Selvanathan inaugurated a district-level badminton tournament. Freshly-prepared food is distributed to poor families under *Project Annapoorna* on a daily basis.



D 2981

RC Pennadam

A police booth was installed at this town during the visit of DG Selvanathan. AG Deepak Chand and club president P Tholkapian were present at the venue. Also, a printer was donated to a primary health centre at Kanapathykurichy village for the administrative staff. Both the events boosted Rotary's public image.



D 2982

RC Salem South

An herbal garden was inaugurated at the Salem airport in partnership with the Central Council for Research (CCRS) in Siddha, Mettur. The green hub consisted of 14 herbal families and over 170 medicinal plants. Past presidents Venkataramanan and Yuvaraja inaugurated the park on the 38th charter day. Airport director G Ramesh and P Radha, research officer at CCRS were present.





D 3000

RC Madurai

PDG Zameer Pasha donated 120 milch cows to 60 women in the presence of DRFC S Gopal and PDG RVN Kannan through a global grant with joint funding from RCs Madurai Central, Goioere, RID 4630, Brazil, and RID 4430, Brazil. Anns and Annets took part in large numbers.



D 3000

RC Madurai Meenakshi

DG I Jerald inaugurated a 3-day RYLA titled *Udhvegam* at the Divine Word Centre, Vadipatti. All the 68 students were given school bags with gifts. A national trainers team engaged the students on issues like self-motivation, communication skills, leadership and keeping the mind and body fit. The project was led by district RYLA chairman J Thavasu Muthu. DGN Raja Govindasamy and PDG RVN Kannan were among those present.



D 3000

RC Srirangam

Science experiments were done at the one-day RYLA conducted at the Tiruvanaikovil HS School. Priya Rajesh and Jayasree Hariprasath from Fun Sciencified guided the students on ways to make learning an enjoyable experience. Club president MVG Jawagar felicitated the headmaster and two resource persons. Rtn KN Srinivasan sponsored the RYLA.

D 3011

RC Delhi Southex

A 20-member team led by club president Praveen Jain visited Rishikesh and distributed sanitary napkins to poor women; stationery items were given to students; and footwear were donated to people of all age groups. A large number of children and women benefitted from the project.



D 3020

RC Vijayawada

Hundreds of patients were screened at a health camp conducted at Veeravalli village in Krishna district with the support of NSS wing of NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada. The paramedical students from Dr C Sobhanadri Siddhartha College of Nursing examined the patients for BP, blood sugar and body mass index as part of *Know Your Numbers* campaign by RI District 3020.



D 3020

RC Vizag Couples

Around 200 baby kits, sponsored by Rtms Subodh Kumar Rakhecha and Sunitha, were distributed to the mothers of newborns at the Government Victoria Hospital. Steel racks, wardrobe and pedestal fans (₹28,700) were donated to The Hidden Sprouts, a school for differently-abled children. A privilege card for district Rotarians was launched to avail discounts at hospitals, hotels, diagnostic labs and other retail outlets.





D 3030

RC Chopda

An eco-friendly competition for Ganesh Chaturthi *pandals* was conducted, and prizes were given to first three winners each in the household and public display categories. Club president Rupesh Patil, secretary Gaurav Mahale and AG Nitin Ahirrao felicitated the winners. The festival contest lifted the public image of Rotary in Chopda.



D 3054

RC Sidhpur

Cotton bags were given to patients at the Yashvi Children Hospital, Sidhpur, as part of anti-plastic awareness campaign, a permanent project of the club. The bags carry Rotary, Rotaract and Interact logos with the message 'Avoid use of plastic bags, use cotton bags.' Rotarians have taken up eco-friendly initiatives with the help of Rotaractors.



D 3070

RC Hoshiarpur Mid Town

Sports jerseys were distributed to students at the Government High School, Bhagowal, by members led by club president Parveen Pabbi. Bhajan Kaur, 69, from Jalandhar got her eyesight back after she was operated for corneal blindness. IPDG US Ghai opened her bandage under *Project Gift of Sight*.

D 3080

RC Kharar

A seminar on adolescent care and life skills was conducted for over 100 girls at the Arya College for Girls and Arya School. Dr Anupama Sharma from Civil Hospital educated the girls on health, hygiene; and the importance of living with dignity by acquiring livelihood skills. Club president Nitin Garg said similar events will be held throughout the year.



D 3100

RC Moradabad

A literacy camp was conducted at the Kusht Ashram and a slum colony in which stationery items were distributed to children. Around 250 inmates of the leprosy home and residents of the Double Fatak area were given medicines at a health camp. Grocery items were donated to the special home. Club president Anju Tripathi was present.



D 3110

RC Kanpur Aryans

Drawing, dance, music and singing competitions were held for students of 20 government primary schools to mark Rotary's literacy month in September. Club charter president Dr Bhakti Vijay Shukla gave away the prizes to the winners at a gala event.





D 3120

RC Pallia Kalan

Refreshments were provided to students at Tharu Girls Hostel on Mahavir Jayanthi. Club president Sandeep Bansal and main sponsor, the family of Chand Kumar Jain were present. A watercooler was installed at Ramlila ground for the public to access it during summer months. The club donated 21 mattresses for the marriage of poor girls organised by the Madhya Baba Mandir Samiti.



D 3120

RC Varanasi East

More than 700 people were examined for general illness at a mega medical camp organised with the support of All India Madhya Pradesh Vaish Sabha at the Nav Yug Vidya Mandir Inter College in Chaukaghat. CMO Dr Sandeep Chaudhary led the team of doctors. Medicines were given to patients. Club president Raju Rai along with doctors and Rotarians released stickers with a message 'Don't get drunk — donate blood' for public awareness.



D 3142

RC Ambernath Smart City

Vocational Excellence Awards were given to women who had excelled in various fields at the Navdurga Sanman ceremony. DG Kailash Jethani's spouse Darshana as chief guest gave an inspiring speech. A 70-year-old woman was honoured with Jeevan Gaurav Puraskar. Over 20 club members and their families were present at the event.



Above: DG Bhaskar Ram V and cricket legend Kapil Dev with Rotarians at the Rotary Premier League cricket tournament.

Below: Rotarians plant saplings in Garividi.



Cricket for a cause

Team Rotary News

Rotary Club of Vizag Couples, RID 3020, organised the Rotary Premier League cricket tournament to raise funds for TRF. Club president Subodh Kumar and club member Shoban Prakash sponsored the event with ₹4 lakh and ₹1 lakh respectively.

The evening programme with cricket legend Kapil Dev as the chief guest drew huge crowd. He shared excerpts from his life and experiences from the cricket matches in an interactive session with the audience.

DG Bhaskar Ram was also present at the event.

The club president sponsored 7,000 saplings worth ₹20 lakh which the club members planted at Garividi town in Vizianagaram. ■



Club members handing over blood donor certificates to volunteers.

Ghaziabad club carries out several projects

Team Rotary News



Club members collecting e-waste.

With the support of Blood Bank, Noida, RC Ghaziabad North, RID 3012, conducted a blood donation drive. The camp collected 143 units of blood.

Under the initiative *e-Clean India*, the club collected and handed over 100 items of e-waste like old TVs, printers, computer monitors, DVD players, etc to Attero, a waste recycling company in Noida, for ethical and safe disposal. These items were monetised by the company and the amount was handed over to the club, which will use the fund for service projects.

The club also conducted a painting competition for 2,000 schoolchildren. The competition was inaugurated by DG Lalit Khanna. Children were divided according to their age groups and were asked to paint under the topics of 'Protection of forest life' and Indian heroes. Winners were given prizes.

An RO water plant and a water cooler were installed at Manyavar Kanshiram Rajkiya College, Ghaziabad. The plant has a capacity of 250 litres. ■

D 3142

RC Dombivli Diamonds

As part of PR exercise, 12 flex boards on safety and cleanliness were installed on Dombivli railway bridge urging passengers to keep the premises clean. Children's Day was celebrated at the St Jude Child Care Centre in Tata Cancer Hospital, Navi Mumbai. Hygiene kits were distributed to 43 children and a cultural event with games and music was also staged.



D 3150

RC Guntur Vikas

A bicycle was donated to a girl student and over 60 prizes were given to winners in cultural and sports meets at the Municipal High School at Bharat Peta, a neighbourhood. The Children's Day events lifted the public image of Rotary in Guntur with good feedback from the school principal.



D 3170

RC Bailhongal

At an eye camp to mark World Health Day (April 7), over 500 spectacles were distributed to patients at the Government General Hospital, Bailhongal. Local MLA Mahantesh Koujalgi, taluk health officer Dr Nirmal Mahanthshetti, then club president Mahesh Belland and Rotarians took part at the eye check-up camp. The event lifted the public image of the club.





D 3170

RC Honavar

A basic life support (BLS) training was given to 60 nursing students with the support of KMC Hospital, Mangalore, and St Ignatius College of Health Sciences. Dr Jeedhu Radhakrishnan, specialist in emergency medicine, gave a demonstration on all types of care the first responders must provide to those in need of dire medical help. Event chair Dr Manjula Yuvaraj coordinated the workshop.



D 3182

RC Kadur

Schoolbags and stationery items including notebooks and crayons were distributed to 250 students of a primary school at a backward village. The project costing ₹95,000 brought smiles on the faces of children and the school authorities thanked Rotary for the useful donations.



D 3182

RC Shimoga

Benches, desks, chairs with writing pad, and drinking water facility, all worth ₹70,000, were donated to the Government Higher Primary School, Beguvalli, a remote village, to upgrade its basic facilities and enhance the classroom ambience of the school.

D 3190

RC Tumkur Central

Seed balls were thrown by students of Sri Radhakrishna Public School, Tumkur, at a forest near Guddada Ranganatha Swamy temple in Kunigal where they have gone for a picnic. Club president Prameela Shivakumar and secretary Geetha Renukaiah guided the children on the right way of throwing the seed balls for them to germinate and grow as trees.



D 3203

RC Karamadai

A smart TV and books were donated to a government middle school in Periamadampalayam village with the support of RC Tirupur Kumaran. Over 400 patients were examined at the eye camp held jointly with the Arvind Eye Hospital. Among them, 72 were identified for cataract surgery. Club president Magesh and his team made the arrangements.



D 3203

RC Pollachi

A road safety awareness campaign was launched jointly with Uyir Trust at Dr Mahalingam College of Engineering, Pollachi. More than 4,000 took part at the inaugural with district collector G S Sameeran addressing them in the presence of DG Elangkumaran and Dr S Rajasekaran, managing trustee, Uyir Trust.





D 3203

RC Tirupur West

More than 80 students from five schools were trained on leadership skills at the one-day multidistrict RYLA conducted in partnership with RCs Tirupur, Tirupur Kumaran, Palladam Rainbow and Coimbatore Wind City. District RYLA chair Krishnamurthy presided over the event in the presence of PDG George Sundararaj and other Rotarians at the Chokkan Chettiar Mallammal HS School.



D 3212

RC Nagercoil

A district-level hockey tournament was conducted with the support of District Sports Development Authority at the Arunachalam HS School, Thiruvattar. District sports officer David Daniel inaugurated the event to mark National Sports Day and shields worth ₹20,000 were given to the winners.



D 3261

RC Sundargarh Town

More than thousand people were given booster Covid doses at the Rotary Bhawan Hall during a free vaccination camp in July-August. The inoculation camp was a success lifting the public image of the club. Around 75 saplings of various species were planted at the Odisha Adarsha Vidyalaya, Sundargarh.

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A walkathon to create diabetes awareness

Team Rotary News

In view of World Diabetes Day, RC Dharwad Midtown, RID 3170, organised a Diabetes Awareness Walkathon. Close to 600 walkers participated in this walkathon which was flagged off by DG Venkatesh Deshpande.

Event chairman Dr Prakash Ramangounder explained about how physical activity helps control blood sugar levels and lowers the risk of heart disease and nerve damage. The club distributed t-shirts and caps to all participants. Post the walkathon a scrumptious breakfast was served. The total project cost was ₹38,000. ■



A leadership programme by RID 3212



DG V R Muthu (3rd from L, front row) and PDG George Sundararaj (5th from R, front row) along with district members at the RLI.

A Rotary Leadership Institute ((RLI), a multidistrict, grassroots leadership development programme, was organised by RID 3212 to impart Rotary knowledge and leadership skills to Rotarians interested in developing their Rotary participation and to those identified by Rotary clubs as having the potential in club leadership.

Hosted at BWDA Resorts, Courtallam, the two-day programme was headed by PDG George Sundararaj, the executive director, RLI South Asia. Over 60 Rotarians including six members from RID 3000 participated in the event. DG VR Muthu inaugurated the programme. DGE Muthiah Pillai gave out the valedictory address. ■

Help for transgenders

Team Rotary News



Darshana Jethani presents a cheque for purchase of sewing machines in the presence of DG Kailash Jethani (right, back row).

RC of Hiranandani Estate, RID 3141, funded two industrial sewing machines to Akshay Shakti, an NGO in Thane, Mumbai, to assist them in providing vocational training to transgenders. The beneficiaries were invited to the club's Diwali family night celebration where DG Kailash Jethani and Darshana Jethani handed over a cheque to them. ■

Solatium for slain soldiers' families

On Aug 15, 2020, Rtn Brig Ajit Srivastav delivered a talk on the Galwan attack over zoom following a request by Pramod Puri, then president of RC Mira Road, RID 3141. Brig Srivastav spoke elaborately on the clash on June 15 between the Indian and the Chinese forces in the Galwan river valley in Ladakh which left 20 Indian soldiers dead. The jawans, all of them from the 16 Bihar Regiment, were unarmed and taken by surprise by the Chinese troops who surrounded them on a



steep ridge and pushed them into the freezing river.

After his talk, the Brigadier appealed to the club members to donate generously to support the dead soldiers' families and shared the account details in his Power-Point presentation. He promised to personally monitor the funds and ensure that it reaches the next of kin (NOK) of the slain soldiers.

Moved by the story, 54 Rotarians from various clubs across RID 3141 contributed a total ₹5,05,900. This

amount was distributed among the NoKs, with each family receiving ₹26,000 in their bank accounts through online transfer by Sept 15 that year. "This is probably the first time such a venture has been undertaken from Mumbai," said club member Anand Bhatkal.

In Oct 2022, the Bihar Regiment office had acknowledged the club's assistance in their inhouse magazine, *History of 16 Bihar*, calling it "a unique event". ■

Teaching Rotarians to save lives

Team Rotary News

With the aim to train Rotarians, their families and the public to respond quickly to emergency situations, RC Cochin Metropolis, RID 3201, has launched a novel *Project Life Saver Rotarian*. “We conduct sessions in which hands-on training using mannequins and gadgets like AED (automated external defibrillator) are imparted by doctors who are experts in emergency medicine,” said Rtn Zachariah Abraham.

CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation), Heimlich manoeuvre (to save someone who is choking), first aid for burns, electrocution, snake bites, drowning and other emergency situations are included in the project sessions. Each session has multiple training stations so that everyone can physically learn to impart CPR and the other emergency care techniques,



Above: A doctor explains an emergency procedure at a *Project Life Saver Rotarian* session.

Below: A CPR expert giving a demonstration at a programme.

said Abraham. *Project LSR* was conceived by senior doctors who are club members led by Dr G N Ramesh and is being implemented with the support of major hospitals in the city who provide doctors and staff for the programmes.

The club is aiming to widen its reach by making it a three-year district programme and creating Rapid Response Teams (RRT) having 5–6 members each that could focus on major offices, residential complexes, shopping malls, et al. “We have conducted 18 programmes in three months covering over 1,000 beneficiaries including Rotarians, Anns, Annets, Rotaractors, Interactors and the public,” he said. The *Project LSR* programmes are done free of cost. ■



Menstrual care for village girls

Team Rotary News



PDG Shrinivas Malu, RC Kolhapur City president Jayant Nerlekar, secretary Abhijit Pimpalkar and club members with the newly installed Interact club members at the Saraswati English Medium School in Talandage village.

Rotary Club of Kolhapur City, RID 3170, installed a sanitary napkin dispenser and an incinerator at the Saraswati English Medium school in Talandage, a village on the outskirts of Kolhapur. The club

arranged a lecture on menstrual care and hygiene for the students.

Club president Jayant Nerlekar, his spouse Bhakti, club secretary Abhijit Pimpalkar and the school staff were present at the

inauguration of the facilities at the school. The club installed an Interact club at the school in the presence of PDG Shrinivas Malu. He installed Khushi Ambekar as the charter president of the Interact club. ■

Greening drive in Chennai



Rotary Club of Chennai Legends, RID 3232, recently launched a mega plantation project to plant 6,500 saplings at a project cost of ₹22.75 lakh.

Club president Rajashekhar Subbiah inaugurated the project by planting 1,000 native trees at the CISF campus in association with the Tamil Forest Department, ECN Foundation and the State Bank of India. Students from the Kendriya Vidyalaya school also participated in the programme.

Around 1,500 CISF jawans also joined the Rotarians in the greening mission. CISF DIG Santhi G Jaidev appreciated the club members for the initiative.

The club had earlier organised various competitions on nature for schoolchildren. ■