

GANDHI JAYANTI CELEBRATIONS: A TRIBUTE TO THE FATHER OF THE NATION

“Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do are in harmony.” - Mahatma Gandhi

The New Age of Cybercrime

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Sector 17, Chandigarh



Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown celebrated Gandhi Jayanti with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour at Hotel Shivalik View, Sector 17, Chandigarh. The evening paid a heartfelt tribute to Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of the Nation, whose timeless ideals of truth, non-violence, simplicity and integrity continue to inspire generations.

The highlight of the celebration was a Best Dressed Couple Competition, in which members and their spouses participated enthusiastically, dressed elegantly in Khadi to honour Bapu's philosophy of simplicity and self-reliance. The distinguished judges for the evening were renowned cricketer **Syed Kirmani** and Club President Rtn. Renu Chopra.

Rtn. Dr. J. S. Sabharwal and R'Ann Jyotie Sabharwal emerged as the winners, impressing everyone with their thoughtful tribute. Carrying Bapu's iconic lathi and wearing badges bearing the message "Satyamev Jayate," they beautifully reflected the spirit of Gandhi's teachings.

The runners-up, Rtn. RPS Gulati and R'Ann Pali Gulati, captivated the audience with a tricolour dupatta symbolising Gandhi Ji's contribution to India's freedom struggle, along with a creative representation of his famous three monkeys, conveying the message of seeing no evil, hearing no evil and speaking no evil.

Adding a melodious patriotic touch to the occasion, PP Rtn. Ashok Puri and Ranne Sudha Puri soulfully rendered the iconic song "दे दी हम आज़ादी बिना खड्ग...", evoking deep patriotic sentiments among those present.

Other participating couples included Secretary Rtn. Suresh Dhawan and R'Ann Madhu Dhawan, PDG Yoginder Diwan and Rtn. Kanan Diwan, Rtn. Anup Sharma and R'Ann Deepti Sharma, Rtn. Dr. I. S. Dua and R'Ann Guninder Dua, Rtn. Arjan Singh and R'Ann Parveen, and Rtn. RTPS Tulsi and R'Ann Ranjana Tulsi.

The celebration beautifully blended patriotism, creativity and fellowship, reaffirming Rotary's commitment to the values of service, harmony and integrity. It was a memorable evening that honoured Mahatma Gandhi's legacy and reminded everyone that his ideals remain relevant in building a peaceful and compassionate society.



THE FOUR WAY TEST

of the things we think, say and do

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?





Greeting Garv Bhambri Son of
Rtn Jeeten Bhambri & Dr. Kadam Bhambri
for bagging a seat (1st Year) in GMCH, Sector 32, Chd



New Member Induction by PDG Yoginder Diwan,
Rtn. BL Ramsisaria and Rtn. Dr. Balram Gupta through
Famous Cricketer Syed Kirmani (1983 World Cup Winner)



WEEK GONE BY

PROJECT SAKHA – NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT FOR TB PATIENTS



“Empathy is about finding echoes of another person in yourself.” Reaffirming its commitment to community health and compassionate service, Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown organised a nutritional support initiative under Project Sakha at Government Dispensary, Hallomajra. The project aimed to support tuberculosis (TB) patients by addressing their nutritional needs and encouraging them throughout their journey towards recovery.

During the initiative, 42 packets of nutritional supplements were distributed to TB patients, while 28 additional packets were handed over for further distribution. The beneficiaries included patients from Ram Darbar, Raipur Khurd and Behlana, extending the reach of this meaningful intervention to the surrounding communities.

Adding an important educational dimension to the initiative, Rtn. Salil Chopra counselled newly diagnosed patients on the significance of proper nutrition alongside regular medication. He emphasised that adherence to prescribed treatment, supported by adequate nourishment and a healthy lifestyle, plays a vital role in managing the disease and promoting recovery.

President Rtn. Renu Chopra, Rtn. Salil Chopra and Rtn. Naveen Agarwal were present on the occasion, demonstrating the club's continued dedication to supporting vulnerable sections of society.

Through Project Sakha, Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown continues to uphold the Rotary spirit of service by combining nutritional assistance with awareness and encouragement. The initiative reflects the club's belief that compassionate care, timely support and sustained community engagement can make a meaningful difference in the lives of TB patients.

MORAL VALUES AND EDUCATION AT PARKASH HIGH SCHOOL, MAHESHPUR

A meaningful session on moral values and education was conducted at Parkash High School, Maheshpur, emphasising the importance of character-building and ethical living among students. The session highlighted the significance of greeting others with Namaste as a gesture of respect and humility. Students were encouraged to consider every day as Teachers' Day and to respect their teachers, recognising their invaluable role in shaping character and ensuring all-round progress.

A thought-provoking story inspired by the teachings of Lord Krishna and the Bhagavad Gita illustrated the principle of Karma, reminding students that their actions and deeds ultimately define what they earn in life. The session reinforced the values of respect, gratitude and responsibility.



MORAL VALUES AND EDUCATION AT GOVERNMENT MIDDLE SCHOOL, VILLAGE KUNDI

A meaningful session on moral values and education was conducted at Government Middle School, Village Kundi, to instil essential life lessons and strengthen the students' understanding of values, responsibility and faith.

The session highlighted the significance of Namaste as a gesture of respect, humility and mutual regard, while emphasising that teachers are our Gurus, guiding us towards knowledge, wisdom and all-round development.

Through two inspiring stories, the students learned about God's role in guiding, helping and supporting us through life's challenges. The stories also conveyed an important message: while devotion and faith are valuable, we must fulfil our own responsibilities. God may guide and support us, but everyday tasks and duties within our control must be performed through our own efforts and actions.

The children participated with great enthusiasm and warmth. Their affection was evident as they accompanied the speaker to the school gates to bid farewell, making the session a truly heartwarming and memorable experience.



FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOP AT KUNDAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, CHANDIGARH

A Financial Literacy Workshop was organised by Naisha Pahal at Kundan International School, Chandigarh, on 6 October 2026, with the objective of promoting financial awareness and encouraging responsible money management among students.

The interactive session was attended by approximately 60 students, who gained valuable insights into the importance of financial literacy in everyday life. The workshop highlighted the significance of saving, spending wisely, developing healthy financial habits, and making informed financial decisions from an early age.

Through an engaging and informative approach, the students were encouraged to understand the value of money, appreciate the importance of financial planning, and develop a sense of responsibility towards managing their resources.

The workshop was a meaningful initiative towards empowering young minds with essential life skills, laying the foundation for a financially aware, confident, and responsible generation. Such educational programmes play a vital role in preparing students to make sound financial choices and navigate future challenges with greater confidence.



FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOP AT GGMSSS SECTOR 20-B, CHANDIGARH



A Financial Literacy Workshop was organised at GGMSSS, Sector 20-B, Chandigarh, on 6 October 2026, conducted by Naisha Pahal. Around 50 Commerce students participated in the interactive session.

The workshop aimed to enhance students' financial awareness and develop essential money-management skills. Key topics included budgeting, saving, wise spending, financial planning, and making informed financial decisions. Students learned the importance of developing responsible financial habits at an early age and understanding the value of money.

The session was informative and engaging, offering practical insights into managing finances effectively. It encouraged students to make thoughtful financial choices and work towards greater financial independence and security in the future.

INSTALLATION OF INTERACT CLUB AT GMSS SCHOOL, SECTOR 38-WEST, CHANDIGARH

The Interact Club was installed at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 38-West, Chandigarh, on 6 October 2026, marking an important step towards nurturing leadership and community service among students. The ceremony was graced by Rtn. Renu Chopra, President - Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown, IPP Rtn. Jogwinder Bawa and Director Youth Service Dr. Shashi Jain, along with the school Principal and Coordinator. President Rtn. Renu Chopra highlighted the significance of Interact Clubs and encouraged students to participate in small yet meaningful service initiatives. She also emphasised the importance of moral values and ethical conduct.

The Principal expressed gratitude to the Rotarians and requested support for constructing separate pink and blue toilets in the school.



INSTALLATION OF INTERACT CLUB AT GMSS SCHOOL, SECTOR 15-C, CHANDIGARH



The Interact Club was installed at Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sector 15-C, Chandigarh, on 6 October 2026, marking a significant step towards nurturing leadership and community service among students. The ceremony was graced by Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown President Rtn. Renu Chopra, IPP Rtn. Jogwinder Bawa, and Director Youth Service Dr. Shashi Jain, along with the school Principal and Coordinator. President Rtn. Renu Chopra highlighted the importance of Interact Clubs and encouraged students to undertake small yet meaningful service initiatives while embracing moral and ethical values.

The Principal expressed gratitude to the Rotarians and requested support for constructing separate pink and blue toilets in the school.

VISIT TO HUNAR – BEAUTY, TAILORING AND COMPUTER TRAINING CENTRES

A visit was made to Hunar, Bir Ghaggar to review its commendable efforts in skill development and women's empowerment. The centre is doing excellent work by providing beauty and tailoring training, equipping individuals with practical skills to enhance their confidence and create opportunities for self-employment. The computer training centres further strengthen this initiative by promoting digital literacy and employability.

The visit offered an opportunity to appreciate the dedicated efforts being made towards vocational education and livelihood generation. Such initiatives reflect the true spirit of community service by empowering individuals with skills for a Visit to Hunar – Beauty, Tailoring and Computer Training Centres more independent and promising future.



BLOOD DONATION CAMP – A GIFT OF LIFE AT CCET, SECTOR 26, CHD.

In keeping with Rotary's enduring motto, "Service Above Self," Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown organised a Blood Donation Camp at CCET, Sector 26, Chandigarh, in collaboration with the NSS Unit of CCET and the CPC-CCET Alumni Association. The camp witnessed an encouraging response, resulting in 70 successful blood donations—a commendable contribution towards saving precious lives. To appreciate the generosity of the donors, Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown provided refreshments, ensuring their comfort and expressing gratitude for their noble gesture. The camp was attended by IPP Rtn. JS Bawa, Secretary Rtn. Suresh Dhawan, Rtn. Rashdeep Singh, Rtn. Nandita Sisodia and Rtn. Maneesha Gupta, Director Community Service.

Special appreciation was extended to Rtn. Rashdeep Singh for his pivotal role in organising and coordinating the camp. The collective efforts of the organisers, volunteers, medical team and donors exemplified Rotary's spirit of compassion and community service, reaffirming that every drop of blood can make the difference between life and death.



INSTALLATION OF INTERACT CLUB AT GMSSS SECTOR 45-C, CHANDIGARH

An Interact Club was formally installed at GMSSS Sector 45-C, Chandigarh, by Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown, marking a significant step towards nurturing young leaders and promoting community service among students.

The occasion was graced by Rtn. Dr. Shashi Jain, Director Youth Services, Rtn. Maneesha Gupta, Director Community Services and R'Ann Nandita Sisodia. The Principal and teaching staff extended their wholehearted support to the initiative.

The students were encouraged to develop leadership, teamwork and social responsibility while actively participating in meaningful service projects.

The installation reinforced Rotary's commitment to empowering youth and inspiring responsible citizens through the Rotary-Interact partnership.



RUNNING TROPHY FOR BEST INTERACT CLUB 2025-26 IN MEMORY OF SH. HC BHAMBRI AWARDED TO GURUKUL GLOBAL SCHOOL, MANIMAJRA



In recognition of outstanding performance, active participation and exemplary commitment to community service, Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown presented the Running Trophy for Best Interact Club which was started in loving memory of Sh. HC Bhambri, Father of Rtn. Jeeten Bhambri for the year 2025-26 to Gurukul Global School, Manimajra.

The prestigious trophy was received by Mrs. Urvashi Kakkar, Principal, and Mrs. Chanda, Interact Club Coordinator, on behalf of the school. The recognition celebrated the enthusiastic involvement of the young Interactors in Rotary's youth initiatives and community-service activities.

The occasion was graced by IPP Rtn. J. S. Bawa, Rtn. Suresh Dhawan, Secretary, Rtn. Maneesha Gupta, Director Community Service and Rtn. Nandita Sisodia, who joined in congratulating the school's leadership, coordinator and students on this commendable achievement.

The Rotarians appreciated the collective efforts of the Interact Club in fostering the values of leadership, teamwork, compassion and social responsibility among students. The award served as an encouragement for the young members to continue participating actively in service projects and contributing meaningfully to the welfare of society.

The achievement reflects the importance of the Interact movement in nurturing responsible, confident and service-minded young citizens. By recognising the club's dedication and accomplishments, Rotary Club Chandigarh Midtown reaffirmed its commitment to empowering the next generation through opportunities for leadership development and community engagement.

The honour was a proud moment for Gurukul Global School and an inspiration for other Interact Clubs to pursue excellence in service, uphold Rotary's ideals and make a lasting positive difference in their communities.

A LITTLE MORE LIGHT BY ANANYA ARORA

*A little more light When someone stumbles, lost and alone,
Let them know they don't have to walk on their own.
When someone is hurt, unsure where to start,
Sometimes all they need Is a hand and a heart.*

*We need not be heroes, nor promise the sky.
Nor have all the answers to every "why".
A little compassion, A moment, a smile,
Can make someone's burden feel lighter awhile.*

*And what can we do when the problems seem wide?
We gather our courage and stand side by side.
For one voice can whisper, but many can sing,
And together, our smallest efforts can bring-*

*A little more hope to a world full of pain,
A little more shelter from wind and from rain,
A little more kindness where kindness has ceased,
A little more faith where we have forgotten to believe.*

*And sometimes, let's face it, our plans may go wrong,
The meeting runs late, and the speech too long,
But if we have shown up, and we have given our best,
Then perhaps that's the work that matters the rest.*

*For service more than a title or name,
And helping is more than a moment of Fame.
It lives in the choices we make every day,
In stopping to help when we could walk away.*

*So let us come together, with purpose and care,
And carry a little more kindness out there.
For change doesn't begin with the powerful or great-
It begins when we choose to participate.*

*One hand can help, and one heart can start,
But many hands together can change where we are.
And if we leave behind just one little light,
Someone somewhere may find their way through the night.*

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

AS A ROTARIAN, I WILL:

- 1 Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- 2 Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- 3 Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
- 4 Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
- 5 Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities; report any suspected harassment; and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment

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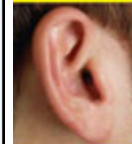
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