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TOGETHER,
CREATING
HORIZONS,
CHANGING
LIVES.

A new journey of service,
inclusion, and impact
begins here.



SERVICE
Above Self



INCLUSION
Beyond Barriers



EMPOWERMENT
For Tomorrow



INTEGRITY
In All We Do



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With Purpose

“ We are not just a club, we are a movement. ”
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INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Message from Rotary International President

Olayinka “Yinka” Hakeem Babalola | *President, Rotary International 2026–27*

Rotary has a way of surprising you. It surprises you when a stranger across the table becomes a lifelong friend. It surprises you when a small project in one neighbourhood ripples outward in ways you never imagined. And it may surprise you when you realise that the person Rotary has changed most is you.

That is why this year, we are called to harness the change within ourselves, to look to the future, and to Create Lasting Impact.

Change is only the beginning. Impact is what endures. We must think of the long-term impact of every project. How can our service continue changing lives even after the project is completed? That is the kind of thinking Rotary needs.

As we prioritise impact, we must also consider how our actions contribute to peacebuilding. Peace does not happen by accident. It must be built deliberately and strategically.

The more you change your community and the world, the more you will change. Tell people not only about the projects completed or funds raised, but how Rotary has shaped who you are. Personal stories open doors, inspire new members and remind us why we are here.

Storytelling helps us grow Rotary. We need more people standing with us and more resources if we are to end polio, spread peace and create lasting impact across the world.

Look back at your club’s achievements. Find your best year — the year when you created maximum impact — and then challenge yourself to do even better.

In these ways and more, we will Create Lasting Impact across the globe, in our communities and within ourselves.

Thank you, my dear friends. Now let’s get to work.



Olayinka “Yinka” Hakeem Babalola

**Yours in Rotary Service,
President, Rotary
International**

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

Message from the District Governor

Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra | District Governor 2026–27 | RID 3080

Dear Rotary Family, Team Horizon, and Friends,

It gives me immense pleasure to extend my heartfelt greetings to the members of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon on the launch of their official magazine “HORIZONERS.”

Every new Rotary club carries with it a promise — a promise of fresh energy, innovative ideas, committed leadership, and a renewed passion to serve humanity. Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon has begun its journey with this very spirit and has already demonstrated the enthusiasm and determination required to create meaningful change.

The Rotary Year 2026–27 is a year dedicated to building stronger connections, empowering communities, and creating service initiatives that leave a sustainable impact. Rotary’s true strength lies in ordinary individuals coming together with extraordinary commitment — transforming ideas into action and compassion into service.

I am delighted to see Team Horizon embracing areas that represent the future of Rotary — youth empowerment, inclusion, community service, innovation, mental wellness, technology adoption, and impactful humanitarian initiatives. These efforts reflect the evolving role of Rotary in addressing the needs of today while preparing for tomorrow.

A club’s success is defined not only by the projects it completes but by the lives it touches, the leaders it creates, and the inspiration it spreads. I encourage every member of Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon to participate actively, dream boldly, collaborate sincerely, and uphold the ideals of Rotary in every action.

My compliments to Charter President Rtn. Avinash Taneja, Chief Mentor PP Rtn. Vijay Kumar Dhall, President Elect Rtn. Dr. Nitya Prakash, and the entire Team Horizon for their dedication, vision, and commitment towards service.

May this magazine become a beautiful record of your journey, achievements, friendships, and the countless stories of hope you create along the way.

Together, let us continue to serve with purpose, lead with compassion, and Create Lasting Impact.



Rtn. Dr. Rita Kalra

**Yours in Rotary Service,
District Governor 2026–27
Rotary International District
3080**

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

Message from the District Governor Elect

Rtn. M.P. Gupta | District Governor Elect 2027–28 | RID 3080

Dear President Rtn. Avinash Taneja & Team Horizon,

Rotary Greetings!

As you begin your journey of leadership, I extend my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to you and your team. Serving as Club President is a unique opportunity to inspire others, strengthen your club, and lead with vision, compassion, and integrity.

The Rotary International theme for 2026–27, "Create Lasting Impact," reminds us that our service should not only address today's challenges but also leave a meaningful legacy for generations to come. Every membership initiative, service project, youth program, and act of kindness should create sustainable change and improve lives in our communities.

This is the year to dream bigger, think differently and act boldly. Let us replace hesitation with confidence, challenges with opportunities and individual efforts with collective action.

Let us begin this journey with passion in our hearts, smiles on our faces and service as our guiding light.

Together, we will write a remarkable chapter in the history of our district — one defined by excellence, compassion, fellowship and transformational service.

Let us build a vibrant club where every member is engaged, every idea is valued, and every project reflects Rotary's commitment to excellence. Together, we can strengthen membership, enhance our public image, embrace innovation, and deepen our fellowship while living the ideal of Service Above Self.

True leadership is measured not by the positions we hold but by the positive difference we make in the lives of others. Let us work together with dedication and unity to Create Lasting Impact across Rotary District 3080 and beyond.

I wish your club a successful, fulfilling, and memorable Rotary year.



Rtn. M.P. Gupta

**With warm Rotary regards,
District Governor Elect 2027–
28 | RID 3080**

CLUB LEADERSHIP

President's Message

Rtn. Avinash Taneja | *President 2026–27, Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon*

Dear Fellow Rotarians, Friends, and Well-Wishers,

It is with immense pride, humility, and a deep sense of responsibility that I take on the role of President of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon for the Rotary Year 2026–27.

As we begin this remarkable journey together, I feel honoured to lead a club built on passion, commitment, and the belief that meaningful service can transform lives. Though our club is young, our vision is ambitious — to create initiatives that are sustainable, impactful, and aligned with Rotary's timeless values of fellowship, integrity, diversity, leadership, and service above self.

The Rotary Year 2026–27 gives us an opportunity to strengthen our commitment towards communities and expand our impact through projects focusing on health, education, environment, youth empowerment, mental wellness, technology adoption, and humanitarian service.

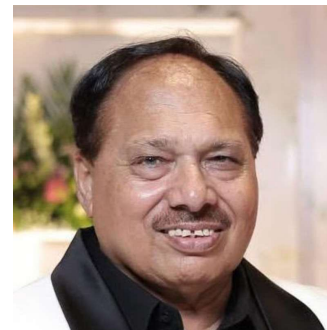
Our club's strength lies in our members — individuals who bring experience, compassion, ideas, and the willingness to contribute their time and efforts towards creating positive change. Together, we are not merely planning projects; we are building a legacy of service.

As President, my focus will be to encourage collaboration, empower every member, support innovative ideas, and ensure that every initiative we undertake creates measurable and lasting impact.

I strongly believe that Rotary is not only about what we give — it is also about who we become through the act of giving. Every smile we create, every life we touch, and every community we strengthen becomes a part of our shared journey.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our mentors, club leaders, fellow members, and the entire Rotary family for their trust and support. With teamwork, dedication, and the spirit of Rotary guiding us, I am confident that Team Horizon will achieve new milestones in this Rotary year.

Together, let us dream bigger, serve better, and create a lasting impact.



Rtn. Avinash Taneja
**Yours in Rotary Service,
President 2026–27
Rotary Club of Chandigarh
Horizon, RID 3080**

CLUB LEADERSHIP

Message from the Chief Mentor & Foundation Chair

PP Rtn. Vijay Kumar Dhall | Chief Mentor & Foundation Chair, Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon

Dear Fellow Rotarians and Friends,

Rotary is a journey of compassion, commitment, and collective action — a journey where ordinary individuals come together with an extraordinary purpose: to serve humanity and create meaningful change.

It gives me immense pleasure to share my thoughts as the Chief Mentor & Foundation Chair of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon. The formation of this club represents not just the beginning of a new chapter, but the creation of a platform where fresh ideas, committed leadership, and the true spirit of Rotary come together.

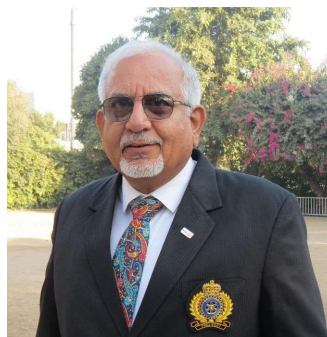
A strong Rotary club is built on the foundation of fellowship, integrity, service, and continuity. As mentors and leaders, our responsibility is not only to execute impactful projects today but also to nurture future leaders who will carry forward the values and legacy of Rotary.

The Rotary Foundation remains one of the strongest pillars of our organisation — transforming contributions into life-changing initiatives across the world. Through our collective support, we have the power to bring hope, improve communities, and create sustainable impact in areas such as health, education, peacebuilding, environment, and community development.

I am proud to see the enthusiasm, dedication, and vision of Team Horizon. The energy of our members, combined with a clear purpose of service, assures me that this club will set new benchmarks and create a lasting identity within the Rotary movement.

My message to every member is simple — participate with passion, lead with humility, and serve with sincerity. Rotary gives us the privilege to touch lives, and every small act of kindness contributes towards a larger mission.

I extend my best wishes to President Rtn. Avinash Taneja and the entire Team Horizon for Rotary Year 2026–27. Together, let us continue strengthening communities and creating a legacy of service that inspires generations.



PP Rtn. Vijay Kumar Dhall
**Yours in Rotary Service,
Chief Mentor & Foundation
Chair
Rotary Club of Chandigarh
Horizon, RID 3080**

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Message from the Chief Editor & President Elect

Rtn. Dr. Nitya Prakash | Chief Editor | President Elect 2027–28, Public Image Chair — RC Chandigarh Horizon | District Chair, AI & Youth Wellness, RID 3080

Dear Fellow Rotarians, Changemakers, and Friends,

Every great journey begins with a vision — a vision to serve, to inspire, and to create something that continues to make an impact beyond ourselves.

It gives me immense pride and joy to present this edition of our club magazine — a reflection of the passion, commitment, and collective spirit of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon. This magazine is not merely a collection of pages; it is a celebration of dreams transformed into action, ideas converted into service, and individuals united by the purpose of creating lasting change.

As a newly chartered club, we began our journey with ambition, enthusiasm, and a commitment to uphold the highest ideals of Rotary. In a short span, Team Horizon has demonstrated that impact is not measured by age or history, but by dedication, innovation, and the willingness to serve.

As Public Image Chair, I strongly believe that every project has a story, every act of kindness has a voice, and every Rotarian carries the responsibility of inspiring others through the power of positive action. Our stories of service must travel beyond boundaries, motivating more people to believe in the possibilities of collective good.

In my role as District Chair — AI & Youth Wellness, RID 3080, I also believe that the future of Rotary lies in embracing innovation while preserving compassion. Artificial Intelligence, technology, leadership, and emotional wellness will play a transformational role in empowering youth and preparing communities for the future. Rotary has always evolved with time, and today we stand at the intersection of service and innovation.

Looking ahead as President Elect 2027–28, my commitment is to continue strengthening the foundation created by our charter leadership and work towards building a club known for meaningful projects, strong fellowship, innovation, and sustainable community impact.

Let us continue to dream bigger, serve deeper, innovate fearlessly, and create a Horizon where possibilities are endless.



Rtn. Dr. Nitya Prakash
Yours in Rotary Service,
Chief Editor | President Elect
2027–28 | Public Image Chair
Rotary Club of Chandigarh
Horizon
District Chair — AI & Youth
Wellness, RID 3080

CLUB MILESTONE

Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon Chartered in a Grand Ceremony!

A new chapter of service began as Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon was formally chartered at Hotel Rajshree, Chandigarh, in the gracious presence of Chief Guest DGN Rtn. Mohinder Paul Gupta and Guest of Honour AG Rtn. Krishan Kumar Walia.

In his address, DGN Rtn. M. P. Gupta lauded the extraordinary progress made by Team Horizon and remarked that he had never witnessed a newly chartered Rotary club achieve so much in such a short span of time. Extending his wholehearted support and best wishes for the years ahead, he formally presented the Club Charter to Charter President Rtn. Avinash Taneja, marking a historic milestone in the club's journey. AG Rtn. Krishan Kumar Walia also conveyed his best wishes to the club in its future endeavours.

Rtn. Avinash Taneja shared Team Horizon's vision of leadership, innovation, fellowship, youth empowerment and impactful community service. Rtn. Dr. Nitya Prakash, President-Elect (2027-28) and Master of Ceremonies, reaffirmed the club's commitment to integrity, compassion and meaningful service, while PP Rtn. Vijay Kumar Dhall, Chief Mentor and Foundation Chair, emphasized Rotary's values of fellowship and selfless service.

The evening concluded with the pinning of charter members, the vote of thanks, cake-cutting ceremony and fellowship, celebrating the birth of a new Rotary family dedicated to Service Above Self.

The Horizon has just begun.



The Charter Night — pinning ceremony, charter presentation and fellowship at Hotel Rajshree, Chandigarh.

PROUD MOMENTS

DRR Visit of Rotaract Club of Amity University, Mohali

Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon is delighted to share that our Co-founder and Chief Patron, Rtn. Vijay Dhall, was honoured as Chief Guest at the official DRR Visit of the Rotaract Club of Amity University (RCAU), Mohali on June 10, 2026. The visit was conducted by DRR Rtr. Ritik Nagpal, a dynamic leader, who warmly appreciated the quality and variety of projects executed by RCAU, acknowledging the club's outstanding contribution to community service.

Chartered on November 24, 2024, during Rtn. Dhall's tenure as President of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh Uptown, RCAU has made remarkable progress in a short span — implementing meaningful projects that have created a tangible positive difference in the community.

Special appreciation is due to faculty coordinators Sh. Manish Mahajan and Ms. Harsimran Kaur, whose unwavering guidance has been instrumental in grooming the members to a remarkable level of commitment and excellence. Heartfelt congratulations are extended to Rtr. Raminder Singh, Charter President, for laying a strong foundation; Rtr. Ms. Harshita Gupta, President, for her dedicated leadership; and Rtr. Ms. Pawni, President Elect, for her promise as the club's future torchbearer.

The occasion was further graced by the mentoring officials of the Rotary Club of Chandigarh Uptown — Rtn. Amrik Singh Vraich, President; Rtn. Vijay Narang, Secretary; Rtn. Tarlochan Singh, Treasurer; and Rtn. Hari Om Verma, President Elect — whose presence added warmth and fellowship to the occasion.

Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon extends its heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to the entire RCAU team. The future of service is in excellent hands!



PUBLIC IMAGE

Meet Team Horizon — Introducing Our Members

A snapshot from our ongoing social-media initiative introducing the members of Team Horizon to the wider Rotary family — putting faces, roles and stories to the team driving the club forward.

Meet TEAM HORIZON

*** FEATURED LEADER ***

Dear Friends, Rotarians, and Community Leaders,
As part of our "Meet Team Horizon" series,
it is my privilege to introduce the man
at the helm of our Club:

Rtn. Avinash Taneja

Co-Founder & Charter President
Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon



WHO HE IS

- Retired Assistant General Manager, State Bank of India, with 40+ years of distinguished experience in banking, leadership & corporate governance.
- Chairman, Adsparkx Group — a global performance marketing & technology network.
- Mentor, strategist & sought-after speaker on leadership, ethics & responsible citizenship.

HIS VISION

- Build a vibrant, forward-thinking institution where corporate governance meets humanitarian innovation.
- Establish transparent structures that empower every member to lead with impact.
- Establish the club as a district model of excellence through sustainable, legacy-defining initiatives.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Best Trainer Award** — pan-India, whole-bank level
- Best Project Report Award** — three consecutive years at whole-bank level
- Corporate scaling & governance** in the digital tech sector

CONNECT WITH HIM FOR

- Youth mentorship & workshops for schools and colleges
- Corporate governance, business scaling & performance marketing guidance
- Rotary innovation & sustainable humanitarian programme partnerships

Warm regards,
PP Rtn. Vijay Kumar Dhall
Chief Patron & Foundation Chair
Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon

HIS MOTTO
"No one reaches the summit alone — we rise by lifting others."

TOGETHER, WE SERVE.
TOGETHER, WE CHANGE LIVES.

#MeetTeamHorizon | #RotaryClubChandigarhHorizon | #ServiceAboveSelf | #PeopleOfAction | #RotaryInternational

Meet TEAM HORIZON

*** FEATURED LEADER ***

Dear Friends, Rotarians & Community Leaders,
It is my privilege to introduce
another foundational pillar of Team Horizon:

Rtn. Dr. Nitya Prakash

Co-Founder | President-Elect 2027–28
Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon



WHO HE IS

- Educationist, strategist, author & ecosystem builder with 16+ years of global leadership
- Works at the intersection of government policy, academia, industry & youth development
- District Chairman — Motivational & Leadership Lectures (Current Year)
- District Chair — AI & Youth for Wellness (2026–27)

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Nobel Peace Prize Nominee (2022)
- UN Karmaveer Chakra Gold Winner (2024)
- Policy Advisor, Niti Aayog | Judge, QS Global Education Awards
- Author of 15 books | 100+ international awards
- Appreciated by Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi

CONNECT WITH HIM FOR

- NEP 2020, Skill India & youth leadership
- EdTech partnerships & CSR in education
- International academic collaborations

Warm regards,
Avinash Taneja
Charter President,
Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon

HIS MOTTO
"Education is not preparation for life — it is life itself, lived with purpose, precision, and impact."

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Meet TEAM HORIZON

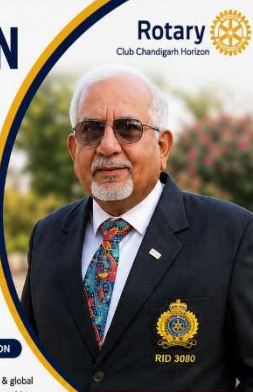
*** FEATURED LEADER ***

Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon

Dear Friends, Rotarians & Community Leaders,
It is my privilege to introduce a foundational pillar of
Team Horizon — our Co-Founder:

Rtn Vijay Kumar Dhall

Co-Founder | Chief Patron & Foundation Chair



WHO HE IS

- Veteran banker & Corporate Finance Expert with 40+ years of excellence
- Retired Assistant General Manager, SBI
- Independent consultant mentoring MSMEs on governance & sustainable growth

WHAT HE HAS ACHIEVED

- Four decades of strategic leadership at India's largest public sector bank
- Excellent President Award (2024–25) — across a district of 122 Rotary clubs
- 125 community projects delivered as Club President
- Co-founder & Foundation Chair, Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon

HIS VISION

- High-impact CSR & global Rotary grant partnerships
- Signature projects: e-waste management, prosthetic limbs & anti-drug rallies
- Club & District-level Peace Summits

CONNECT WITH HIM FOR

- Rotary Foundation grants & funding
- Community project governance
- Strategic mentorship & CSR partnerships

Warm regards,
Avinash Taneja
Charter President,
Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon

HIS MOTTO
"I do not dream in possibilities — I plan in details, work in silence, and let results make the noise."

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Meet TEAM HORIZON

*** FEATURED LEADER ***

Dear Friends, Rotarians & Community Leaders,
It is my privilege to introduce another
exceptional pillar of Team Horizon:

Rtn. Rupender Kumaria

Director — Club Services (2026–27)
Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon



WHO HE IS

- Seasoned finance professional with over 48 years of experience across leading financial institutions.
- Retired Vice President, SBI Mutual Fund and Former Regional Manager, State Bank of India.
- NISM Accredited Professional with deep expertise in financial planning and wealth management.
- Former Executive Vice President at a leading financial planning firm.
- Independent Financial Advisor, Estate Planner and mentor committed to financial empowerment.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- 48+ years of distinguished leadership across banking, mutual funds and financial services.
- Best Team Leader Award** — SBI Credit Card Division for exceptional leadership and performance.
- Built and mentored high-performing teams across SBI, SBI Mutual Fund and the private financial sector.
- Recognized expert in Asset Management, Estate Planning, Securities and Financial Advisory Services.
- Continues to guide individuals and families in building long-term financial security and wealth preservation.

HIS VISION

- "Financial literacy should not be a privilege—it should be a life skill accessible to every citizen."
- Promote financial literacy from school children to senior citizens.
- Build a financially aware, empowered and progressive society.
- Mentor the next generation through practical financial education.
- Create meaningful impact through workshops, awareness initiatives and community engagement.

CONNECT WITH HIM FOR

- Investment Planning, Wealth Creation & Financial Guidance
- Estate Planning & Wealth Transfer Strategies
- Asset Management & Securities Guidance
- Financial Literacy Workshops for Schools, Colleges & Communities
- Personal Finance & Retirement Planning

Warm regards,
Rtn. Avinash Taneja
Charter President,
Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon

HIS MOTTO
"Wealth is not what you earn — it is what you understand, protect, and pass forward."

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CELEBRATION

Rotary New Year 2026–27



Welcoming Rotary Year 2026–27

*A new Horizon, a journey begins,
 With hearts of service and hopeful wings.
 Together we lead, together we care,
 Creating impact everywhere.
 With kindness, courage, and dreams in sight,
 Team Horizon rises to spread the light.*

Together, We Rise. Connect. Inspire. Transform.
 Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon | RID 3080

ROTARY NEW YEAR BEGINS

Service at Kamdhenu Gaushala

1st July, 2026 | The members of Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon welcomed the Rotary Year 2026–27 in the true spirit of Rotary — “Service Above Self.” Instead of beginning the year with a formal celebration, the club chose to dedicate the first day to serving at Kamdhenu Gaushala, Sukettri, reinforcing its commitment to compassion, community welfare, and meaningful action.

As part of the “Seva at Gaushala” initiative, members visited the shelter to provide fodder, care, and welfare support for the cows while spending time understanding the efforts involved in their protection and well-being. The activity reflected Rotary’s values of kindness, environmental stewardship, and respect for all living beings.

The initiative also marked the beginning of a year dedicated to impactful service projects across education, healthcare, youth empowerment, AI literacy, environmental sustainability, and community development.

With this humble act of service, Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon reaffirmed that every new beginning should start with compassion, gratitude, and a commitment to creating lasting positive change in society.

Service Above Self.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Donation Drive at SOREM, Chandigarh

1st July, 2026 | Continuing the spirit of Service Above Self, members of Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon marked the beginning of the Rotary New Year with a heartfelt visit to SOREM (Society for Rehabilitation of the Mentally Challenged), Chandigarh — a renowned institution dedicated to the education, rehabilitation, and empowerment of children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities through holistic care, life-skills training, therapy, and vocational support.

Our members spent meaningful time with the students, celebrating with music, dance, laughter, and heartfelt interactions that brought smiles to everyone present. The club also donated essential computer accessories and educational supplies, including computer mice, pen drives, pens, and paper reams, to support the institution's educational and vocational initiatives.

The visit was a reminder that the true essence of Rotary lies not only in giving but also in connecting with hearts, spreading hope, and creating a more inclusive society. It was a fitting way to begin the new Rotary year with compassion, service, and purpose.



RECOGNITION

Felicitated on CA Day

1st July, 2026 | On the occasion of Chartered Accountants' Day, the Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon came together to celebrate and honour the men and women behind the numbers — professionals whose diligence, ethics, and expertise quietly power India's businesses, institutions, and economy.

Led by President Rtn. Avinash Kumar Taneja, the club felicitated four distinguished Chartered Accountants in recognition of their outstanding service to the profession and their lasting contribution to society:

- CA Shiv K Gupta
- CA Rajiv Arora
- CA Uma Kant Mehta
- CA Parul Mehta

A Chartered Accountant is not merely a keeper of accounts — they are a keeper of trust. Their integrity is the invisible foundation on which every enterprise, every institution, and every family's financial future stands.

Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon takes pride in recognising professionals who serve society beyond their vocation. CAs contribute not just to balance sheets, but to the financial health of the nation — ensuring transparency, accountability, and good governance in every sector they serve.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Annapurna Day Celebration

1st July, 2026 | On the auspicious occasion of Annapurna Day, Team Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon organised a heartfelt Community Langar Seva in association with the Mata Mansa Devi Langar Van at Government Medical College & Hospital, Sector 32, Chandigarh.

Guided by Rotary's motto, "Service Above Self," the initiative was dedicated to serving wholesome meals with dignity, compassion, and respect to patients, their attendants, hospital staff, and others in need. Beyond providing nourishment, the endeavour aimed to offer hope, comfort, and a reminder that the spirit of humanity thrives through collective service.

Annapurna Day celebrates the timeless values of generosity and selfless giving. Through this initiative, our members reaffirmed their commitment to creating a meaningful impact in the community by ensuring that no one is left behind in times of need.

Together, we continue to strengthen our communities through service — one meal, one act of kindness, and one smile at a time.



RECOGNITION

Honouring the Healers | Doctors' Day 2026

1st July, 2026 | On the occasion of Doctors' Day, the Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon proudly honoured 12 distinguished doctors for their exceptional service, compassion, and unwavering dedication to humanity.

Under the leadership of President Rtn. Avinash Kumar Taneja, the club celebrated medical professionals whose commitment continues to transform countless lives. To ensure every doctor was recognised, a special personal felicitation was also organised for those unable to attend the main ceremony.

Doctors Honoured: Dr. Ritesh Pruthy, Dr. Komal Kathuria, Dr. Gautam Goyal, Dr. Anil Sharma, Dr. Bhumika Gupta, Dr. Jashanjot Bhangu, Dr. Honney Sawhney, Dr. Preasey Sharma, Dr. Natisha Mehta, Dr. Avnish Gupta, Dr. Puneet Verma, Dr. Himani Adarsh.

A doctor's impact goes far beyond prescriptions — they bring hope, healing, and strength when it is needed most. Today, we express our heartfelt gratitude to the heroes who dedicate their lives to serving others.

Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon remains committed to recognising individuals who truly exemplify Rotary's motto — Service Above Self.



FIRST OF ITS KIND

First Blood Donation Camp | Fans Donation | Tree Plantation

On 5th July 2026, in collaboration with the Rotary Blood Bank Society, we successfully organised our first Blood Donation Camp at Mata Vaishno Devi Mandir, Sector 53, Phase 3-A, Mohali — and collected 65 units of blood that will go on to save precious lives.

We were honoured by the gracious presence of our Chief Guest, Dr. Sunny Singh Ahluwalia Ji, Chairman, Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board, whose inspiring words reminded us that every donor is a hero.

And he didn't just say it — he lived it. A moment that truly stood out was the inspiring example set by Dr. Ahluwalia Ji himself, and the revered Pandit Ji of Mata Vaishno Devi Mandir — both of whom came forward as blood donors along with four Rotarians from Team Horizon — Rtn. Raj Pal Midha, Rtn. Gurminder Multani, Rtn. Pawan Singla, and Rtn. Manjeet Singh and several ladies from the Inner Wheel Club. This gesture sent a powerful message to the entire community — that the gift of life knows no rank, no position, no distinction.

Beyond blood donation, Team Horizon also conducted a Tree Plantation & Tulsi Distribution Drive — planting Tulsi plants at the Mandir premises to contribute to the green cover, and distributing approximately 50 Tulsi plants to Mata Vaishno Devi Mandir administration and local residents to plant at their homes — nurturing the environment, one plant at a time.

Team Horizon also donated two ceiling fans to the Mata Vaishno Devi Mandir administration — because service knows no boundaries.

Heartfelt gratitude to every donor, volunteer, Rotarian, and well-wisher who made this day possible. Special appreciation to our Project Chair, Rtn. Pawan Singla & his entire family, President Rtn. Avinash Taneja, PP Rtn Vijay Dhall, President Elect (27-28) Rtn. Dr. Nitya Prakash, Secretary Rtn Rajpal Midha, Vice-President Rtn. Manjula Walia, Director Rtn. Varun Walia, Director Rtn. Gurminder Multani, Rtn Manjeet Singh, Rtn. Anita Midha & her children, Rtn. Shailendra Bhandari, and the entire Team Horizon for their unstoppable spirit.

“Service Above Self” — this is not just our motto. It is who we are.

Donate Blood. Save Lives. Be a Hero.







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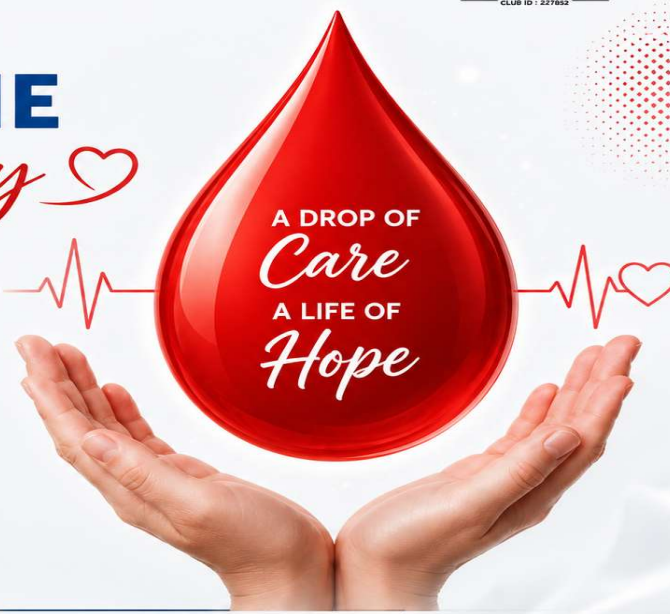
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FELLOWSHIP & CELEBRATION

Glimpses — More Moments from Team Horizon

A few more moments of fellowship, service, and celebration from across the projects — captured through the lens of Team Horizon and Media.

The Media Expression

Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon Organises First Blood Donation Camp; Collects 65 Units of Blood



Service Above Self Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon reaffirmed its commitment to serving society.



ਭੁਪਾਲਾ | ਵੋਟਰੀ ਕਲੱਬ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਹੋਰਾਈਜ਼ਨ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾ ਖੂਨਦਾਨ ਕੈਂਪ 'ਚ 65 ਯੂਨਿਟ ਖੂਨ ਗ੍ਰਹਿਣ ਕੀਤਾ

ਕੈਂਪ ਦੌਰਾਨ ਕਲੱਬ ਨੇ ਚੁੱਕ ਲਾਉਣ ਤੇ ਤੁਲਸੀ ਵੰਡ ਮੁਹਿੰਮ ਚਲਾਈ

ਭੁਪਾਲਾ, 5 ਦਸੰਬਰ (ਹਰਮੋਹ) : ਵੋਟਰੀ ਕਲੱਬ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਹੋਰਾਈਜ਼ਨ, ਵੋਟਰੀ ਇੰਟਰਨੈਸ਼ਨਲ ਲਿਜ਼ਟ 3080 ਦੇ ਮੈਂਬਰਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਸਹਾਇਕਾਂ ਨੇ ਸ਼ਨੀਵਾਰ 4 ਦਸੰਬਰ 2026 ਨੂੰ ਸ਼ਹਿਰ ਦੇ ਪਹਿਲੇ ਖੂਨਦਾਨ ਕੈਂਪ ਕਰਵਾਇਆ। ਇਸ ਦੌਰਾਨ ਕੁਲ 65 ਯੂਨਿਟ ਖੂਨ ਗ੍ਰਹਿਣ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ। ਇਸ ਮੌਕੇ ਮੌਜੂਦਗੀ ਸ਼ਾਮਲ ਸਨ: ਮੈਂਬਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਸ਼ਾਮਲੀਕਾ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਖੂਨਦਾਨ ਕੈਂਪ ਦੌਰਾਨ ਕਲੱਬ ਨੇ ਚੁੱਕ ਲਾਉਣ ਤੇ ਤੁਲਸੀ ਵੰਡ ਮੁਹਿੰਮ ਚਲਾਈ।





✦ An Opportunity to Contribute & Inspire! ✦

Dear Readers,

The Editorial Team of **Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon** invites you to contribute your thoughts, experiences, stories, articles, poems, achievements, and creative ideas for our club magazine **"Horizoners."**

Your words can inspire, inform, and create lasting impact. Let us celebrate the spirit of Rotary by sharing meaningful contributions that reflect service, fellowship, leadership, and positive change.

✉ Send your entries and be a part of this beautiful journey of documenting our club's vision and impact. Together, let's create a magazine that truly represents **our stories, our service, and our Horizon.**

Rtn. Dr. Nitya Prakash,

Chief Editor,

Team Horizoners

Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon

RECOGNITION

Recognition of a Leader, Celebration of a Team!

Sometimes the most special recognitions arrive when least expected — and this one came as a wonderful surprise through the post!

We are delighted to share that **Rtn. Avinash Taneja, Charter President – Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon**, has been honoured with the prestigious **“Most Active Rotarian – Zonal Award (Zone 6)”** for **Rotary Year 2025-26** under the **HUM (Humanity United, Mankind) Awards**, presented by **Rtn. Ravi Prakash, District Governor, RID 3080**.

In the words of Rtn. Avinash Taneja:

"This recognition is not mine alone but belongs to Team Horizon — the members who stood beside me and everyone who believed in my vision and capability to create meaningful impact in society, even within a short span of time during 2025-26."

This honour represents much more than an individual achievement — it celebrates the spirit, commitment, and collective strength of **Team Horizon**.

Within a short journey since our charter, Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon has demonstrated that when passionate individuals unite with a shared purpose, meaningful change begins from day one.

Heartiest congratulations to **Rtn. Avinash Taneja** and every member of **Team Horizon** for contributing to this milestone.

Together, we continue our journey of creating hope, building communities, and living the Rotary ideal of **“Service Above Self.”**



No. RID3080/2526/L/127
Dated: 7-7-2026

To,
Rtn. Avinash Taneja
Rotary Club of Chandigarh Horizon
Chandigarh

Dear Avinash Ji,

Warm greetings!

I wish to express my heartfelt appreciation for your valuable contribution and the wonderful work done during Rotary Year 2025-26. Your dedication, commitment, and service contributed significantly to the achievements of our district.

We were looking forward to seeing you at the District Awards Function and celebrating your achievements together, but unfortunately, you could not attend. We truly missed your presence.

Your District Award is enclosed herewith as a gesture of our appreciation and gratitude for your excellent work and contribution.

Thank you for all that you have done for Rotary, your community, and our district. Your contribution has been truly valued and deeply appreciated.

With warm regards and gratitude,

Ravi Prakash
IPDG, RID 3080



Rotary Club Chandigarh Horizon – Team Horizon (Rotary Year 2026–27)

Trailblazers & Changemakers



S. No.	Name	Designation/Status	Role / Profession
1	Rtn. Avinash Taneja	President	President
2	PP Rtn. Vijay Dhall	Chief Patron & Foundation Chair; Sergeant-at-Arms	Chief Patron & Foundation Chair
3	Rtn. Dr. Nitya Prakash	President Elect (2027–28)	President Elect
4	Rtn. Manjula Walia	Vice President & Membership Chair	Vice President
5	Rtn. Rajpal Midha	Secretary	Secretary
6	Rtn. Surinder Khanna	Treasurer	Treasurer
7	Rtn. Rupender Kumaria	Director (Club Services)	Director
8	Rtn. Manjeet Singh	Director (Youth Contact)	Director
9	Rtn. Varun Walia	Director (Community Welfare)	Director
10	Rtn. Gurminder Multani	Director (International)	Director
11	Rtn. Rajat Malhotra	Director (Vocational Services)	Director
12	Rtn. Anita Midha	Charter Member	Water Treatment Entrepreneur · Social Worker
13	Rtn. CA Uma Kant Mehta	Charter Member	Chartered Accountant · Financial Consultant
14	Rtn. Pawan Singla	Charter Member	Hardware Entrepreneur · Business Leader
15	Rtn. Mukesh Bansal	Member	Entrepreneur · Real Estate Dealer
16	Rtn. Gautam Bansal	Member	Advocate · Social Worker
17	Rtn. Poonam Wadhwa	Member	Retired Administrative Officer · Social Service
18	Rtn. Veena Anand	Member	Retired Banker · Social Service
19	Rtn. Shailender Bhandari	Member	Chemical Engineer · ZED Assessor for MSMEs

Engineering Hope

Applying Project Management to Community Service

By Varun Walia, Director – Community Services

Every successful infrastructure project begins with a vision. A bridge connecting two cities, a school shaping future generations, a hospital offering life-saving care — each travels the same road from concept to completion, guided by one essential discipline: project management. As a civil engineer working in public infrastructure, and as a Rotarian serving as Director – Community Services, I have come to see how naturally these two worlds speak the same language.

Rotary's motto, "Service Above Self," calls us to improve lives. But good intentions alone do not build sustainable outcomes — that takes careful planning, disciplined execution, and honest evaluation. Every Rotary project, at its core, is a project management exercise with people at its heart.

- **START WITH A SURVEY, NOT A SOLUTION**

No engineer breaks ground without first understanding the site. Surveys, feasibility studies, and stakeholder consultations come before a single foundation is laid. Community service deserves the same discipline. Rather than assuming what a community needs, we must listen, observe, and engage with the people we intend to serve. A genuine needs assessment ensures our efforts solve real problems, not just the ones we imagined.

- **PLAN IT LIKE A DPR**

Every infrastructure project rests on a Detailed Project Report — objectives, timelines, resources, costs, risks, and expected outcomes, all defined before work begins. Rotary projects deserve the same rigour. A blood donation camp, a health check-up, a water conservation drive, an educational programme — each should have clear goals, measurable outcomes, assigned responsibilities, and a realistic timeline. Good planning doesn't slow down good work; it protects it from wasted effort.

- **BUILD WITH WHAT YOU HAVE — AND MULTIPLY IT**

Resource optimization is a habit engineers never switch off: the best outcome for the resources at hand, without compromising quality or safety. Rotary runs on the same principle, except our greatest resource isn't only money — it is the expertise, time, and commitment our members bring. Strong partnerships with government agencies, hospitals, schools, corporates, and NGOs don't just add resources; they multiply reach and impact well beyond what any club could achieve alone.

- **QUALITY IS NOT NEGOTIABLE**

In engineering, a small defect can have large consequences, so quality is never compromised. Our service work should hold itself to the same standard. Success isn't measured only by how many people we reached or how much we spent, but by how well we served them. A blood donation camp is remembered not just for units collected, but for donor safety, smooth coordination, and the trust it builds in the community — the things that don't show up in a headline number.

- **INSPECT, EVALUATE, IMPROVE**

Every infrastructure project is subject to inspections, audits, and performance reviews — a check that the work is doing what it was meant to do. Community service deserves the same accountability. Measuring outcomes and documenting what worked (and what didn't) is how a club gets better with every project, and how every rupee, volunteer hour, and partnership is put to its fullest use.

- **NO ONE BUILDS ALONE**

Engineers, architects, planners, and workers each bring a different skill to a shared goal — and Rotary is no different. Every successful project reflects members working alongside community leaders, professionals, volunteers, and partner organizations. Leadership in Rotary, then, isn't about directing people; it's about coordinating talents, building trust, and enabling people to act together.

- **NEW CHALLENGES, SAME BLUEPRINT**

Our communities are evolving, and so are their needs — reaching well past physical infrastructure into healthcare, environmental sustainability, digital literacy, mental well-being, and disaster resilience. Meeting these challenges takes more than compassion; it takes professional planning and disciplined execution in equal measure. Bringing project management thinking into our service work is how Rotary builds greater efficiency, stronger accountability, and lasting impact.

Engineering teaches us that lasting structures rest on strong foundations, careful planning, and meticulous execution. Rotary teaches us that lasting communities rest on compassion, integrity, and selfless service. Where these two philosophies meet, we don't just complete projects — we create opportunity, inspire hope, and change lives.

As Rotarians, let us bring the precision of an engineer and the heart of a humanitarian to every service initiative. Because while project management builds infrastructure, purpose-driven leadership builds stronger communities.



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Over the years, that mindset has shaped us into a company working across performance marketing, technology, creative strategy, and digital products. We bring together strategists, marketers, designers, developers, media buyers, and problem-solvers—each with a different perspective, but a shared ambition to create meaningful impact.

At IdeaClan, ideas are not limited by titles or departments. Everyone is encouraged to take ownership, experiment, challenge assumptions, and contribute from day one. We believe progress happens when people feel trusted to think independently and supported enough to turn their ideas into action.

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