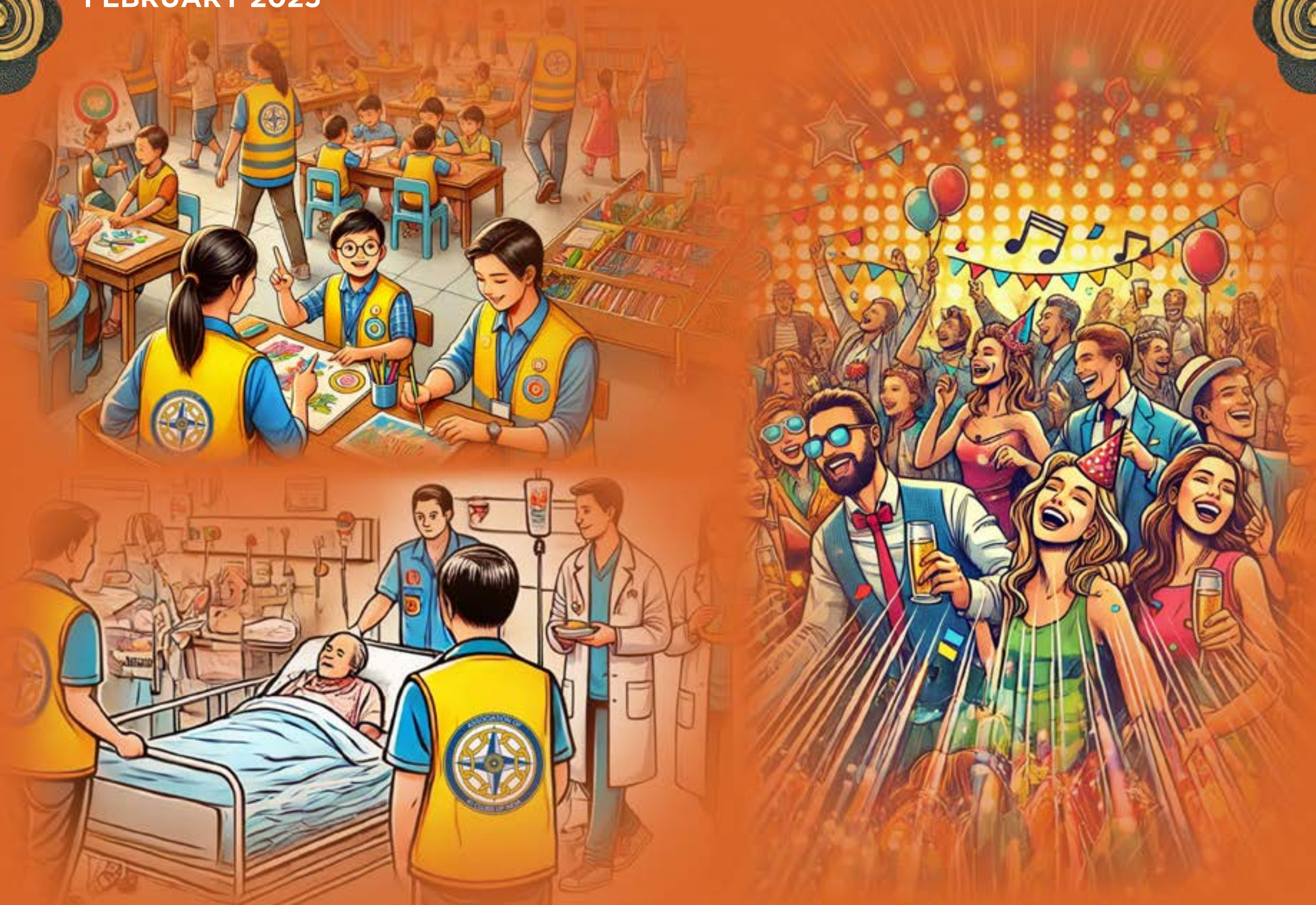


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SELFIE

May the Hinges of Friendship Never Rust



AIMS & OBJECTIVES

- To actively enhance the bonds of Friendship established in Round Table
- To Strengthen the ties with Round Table by contributing to their initiatives and projects
- To extend the scope of Young Ambassador Program (YAP)
- To promote International Fellowship and Friendship
- To actively participate in creating a better India

The Editor's Scribbles

From The Me In Me Now To The Me In Me Then...



Hey there,

Remember those wild early twenties of yours? You were buzzing with dreams, ambition, and a bucketload of energy. Everything felt so big, didn't it? The world was calling, and you were ready to grab it by the horns. The mind was a swirl of big plans—success, career, recognition—you wanted it all. And honestly, why not? You were set to leave your mark and live a life with purpose.

But somewhere in all that hustling, you knew there was more to life than just ticking off personal goals. You had this gut feeling that real happiness wasn't just about what you could achieve, but about the connections you'd make and the relationships you'd build along the way.

And then came your thirties, and with it, the magical gateway into Round Table and 41 India. Think of it as stepping into a whole new world—a playground of epic camaraderie, endless laughs, and big-hearted community service. You



met this incredible tribe of like-minded folks, each bringing their own spark of creativity, passion, and that “let’s get things done” attitude. Suddenly, life became less about “me” and more about “us.”

Here’s the thing: being part of this crew wasn’t just about attending meetings or pulling off projects. It was about flipping the script on what success looked like. You learned that true happiness isn’t about chasing personal wins but about how many lives you can touch, how many smiles you can spark. There were schools to build, communities to uplift, and moments where you realized, “Wow, we’re actually making a difference here.”

And oh, the friendships! They weren’t just the kind you snap a photo with and forget the next day. These were the ride-or-die kind. The laugh-till-your-stomach-hurts meetings, the heated-but-funny debates over project plans, the high-fives when you pulled off something awesome together—those moments were pure gold.

Now, sitting here with years of those experiences behind me, I can confidently say this: Round Table and 41 Clubs didn’t just add meaning to life—they completely transformed it. They made it vibrant, exciting, and oh-so-rewarding. ■

**Buddy,
you hit the
jackpot of
life’s richness
without even
realizing it.**



In love and thought.

41er Yogesh Sheth

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President's Message

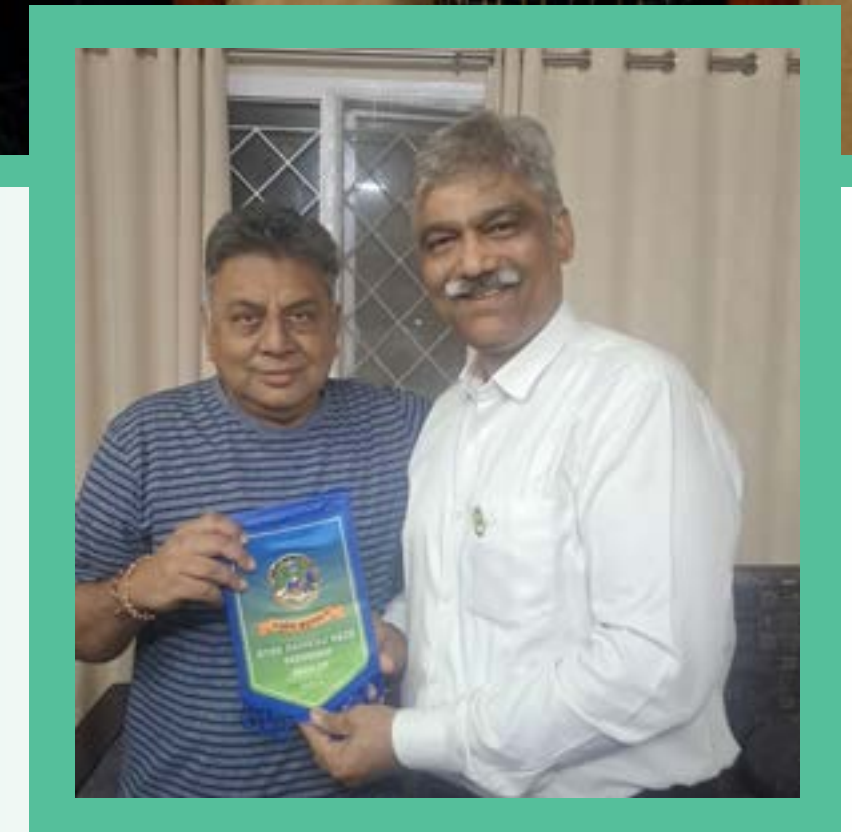
Dear 41er Friends,

As we embark on another exciting chapter in our journey, I'm delighted to share with you the key highlights from the past few months. Our association's energy, commitment, and camaraderie continue to inspire me.

The NEX Board Meeting in Lucknow was a resounding success, with in-depth discussions setting the tone for the months ahead. The spiritual visit to Ayodhya by board members and their families reinforced our bonds and shared values.

We've been actively engaging with cities across India - Hyderabad, Guntur, Kolkata, Hubli, Belgaum, Bangalore, and Chennai - to strengthen connections and reiterate the spirit of business meetings coupled with fellowship.

The YAPS selection process has been completed, paving the way for cross-





border fellowship ties and nurturing the next generation of young leaders. Our Fellowship and Publicity Drive garnered enthusiastic participation and significant media attention, demonstrating the strength of our association.

We're eagerly anticipating Baku Baki Hai, an exciting overseas adventure with friends!

I was honoured to attend the RTI AGM, reaffirming our commitment to collaboration and shared goals.

The Directory update is underway, ensuring seamless communication across our fraternity. A unique initiative by Prayagraj Club offers 41ers and their families an unforgettable Kumbh experience which is divine in itself.

Our flagship sports event, "Howzzat," is sold out, reflecting our unmatched enthusiasm for the game.

Upcoming MTMs promise more engaging discussions and meaningful connections.

I urge you all to support our Liver Transplant Fundraising initiative, a cause close to our hearts. Your collective efforts make a significant difference to underprivileged children.

Taking our social responsibility commitment further, I visited a Naxalite-affected area to explore avenues for donating beds in maternity wards under our Mother & Child project. This initiative aims to provide vital healthcare support to vulnerable communities.



Festivals like Lohri, Sankranti, and Pongal brought 41ers together, celebrating our unity and togetherness.

As we move forward, we remember our Founder, Indu Chandok, whose vision and contributions shaped our association. His legacy will continue to inspire us.

We're compiling a coffee table book with memories and photos of Indu Chandok ji. Please share your contributions.

In his memory, we've decided to rename the Howzatt trophy to "Howzatt Indu Chandhok Memorial Trophy."

As we journey ahead, let's uphold the spirit of service, fellowship, and fun. Together, we'll make our association's story even more meaningful.

Yours in fellowship,

41er Pankuj Vats
President, Association of 41 Clubs
of India & 41 India



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Dear Fellow 41ers,

It gives me immense pride and joy to address you through this edition of Selfie, a platform that truly embodies the spirit of camaraderie, connection, fellowship and celebration that defines our association.

As we journey together through another remarkable year, I am reminded of the values that bind us as 41ers – friendship, service, and the relentless pursuit of creating lasting memories. Our association has always been a beacon of unity, transcending boundaries and fostering relationships that stand the test of time.





This year, we have undertaken numerous initiatives to strengthen our bonds, expand our outreach, and make a meaningful impact within and beyond our community. The collective efforts of our members, area teams, and the national board have been instrumental in ensuring that we continue to uphold the ethos of 41 India while embracing innovation and growth.

As your National Secretary, I am committed to supporting our dynamic leadership and working tirelessly to ensure that every initiative reflects the passion and dedication of our association. Together, let us continue to build on the strong foundation laid by our predecessors and chart a path that inspires future generations of 41ers.

I encourage each one of you to actively participate in our activities, share your ideas, and contribute to the vibrant tapestry of our association. Let us make this year memorable, not just for ourselves but for the legacy we are creating for 41 India.



Thank you for your unwavering support and enthusiasm. Together, we are stronger, and together, we will achieve greater heights.

Yours in Friendship and Service,

41er Vivek Mata
National Secretary
41 INDIA - 2024-25





On the Global Stage

My experiences with 41 INTERNATIONAL

-DR. Siddharthan, President 2025-26

28 September 2002:

It was my good friends Mohan Rajes and Jugnu Uberoi who introduced me to the world of 41 International. The 41 INTERNATIONAL HYM (half yearly meeting) held at Bangalore on 28th September 2002 provided me the first glimpse and experience of 41 INTERNATIONAL. My association with Past President 41 India and Past International Secretary Kishore Sahani planted the seed of interest in my mind to serve 41 INTERNATIONAL. When Past President 41 India N.S. Krishna Kumar (K.K) was elected Vice President of 41 INTERNATIONAL, I travelled with him for several country AGMs and International meetings. My desire to serve International grew stronger and I expressed my interest to K.K.

A Leader Rising



I also had the opportunity to represent 41 India in the 35th AGM in Toulouse, France as Councilor. I observed the proceedings keenly and thought that it was my field of interest and expertise.

“Chance favours the mind that is prepared,,

It so happened that France decided to pull out of 41 INTERNATIONAL at the Chennai AGM in 2012. The Secretary then was from France and as his country withdrew from International membership, he had no choice but to resign a year ahead of the completion of his term. There was no time to call for nominations and vote in the AGM so the International Board decided to appoint an interim Secretary for one



year using the International Rule 8(b) which provides the emergency powers to the Board to decide on administrative matters. Since I had expressed my interest in serving 41 INTERNATIONAL, K.K suggested my name to the Board having been convinced of my capacity to handle the portfolio.

The International Board unanimously approved my appointment as Interim secretary of 41 INTERNATIONAL.

Opportunity

I took up the post of International Secretary against all odds. The former Secretary had left without preparing the minutes of the AGM and had not transferred any document of 41 INTERNATIONAL. K.K helped me put together the minutes of the AGM and I made a good start and my year as Interim Secretary went smoothly.

I took full advantage of the opportunity to introduce several changes for the betterment of the Organization. My performance as Interim Secretary impressed the member countries resulting in my election as Secretary 41 INTERNATIONAL for the term 2013-16 at the Interlaken AGM in 2013.



Making a difference

During my tenure as international secretary I introduced a host of new concepts like a monthly newsletter reaching out to all members of 41 international, an admin handbook which included details of the tasks for all the officers of 41 INTERNATIONAL, a working agenda and an agenda booklet and PowerPoint to keep meetings organized, interesting and on time and maintaining a digital record facilitating easy storage and retrieval of data.

Continuous learning

Working with 4 International Presidents has provided me incomparable experience in leadership. Each President adapted a different leadership styles and I could absorb the best from each leader.

Diplomatic relationship with Allied Organizations such as RTI, LCI, AGORA and Tangent Clubs improved my understanding of interdependency and team work.



Participating in a workshop conducted by Ex-Tabler Brad Parkes, a renowned teacher helped me to hone my communication skills.

The entire experience has been very interesting and rewarding. I am learning day by day to shoulder more responsibilities and bring glory to my country and to the international movement.

Presidency

The foundation had been laid. All I had to do was to consolidate my knowledge, experience and skills and be prepared to emerge as a leader. The stage is set. The plan is in place. Spade work has been completed. Launch date is nearing. I am eagerly looking forward to traveling with you all together . ■





Chartering Lifelong *Friendship*



41er Bharateesha

Illuminating the Path: The National Extension Journey of 41 Club of India (1st Quarter)

By Bharateesha HA, National Extension Convener

As the National Extension Convener, I take immense pride and responsibility in

showcasing the remarkable growth and dynamism of the 41 Club of India. This quarter has been a testament to momentous progress, characterized by camaraderie, strategic foresight, and the unwavering dedication of our members. Every milestone achieved serves as a

reaffirmation of the principles of unity, expansion, and sustainability that underpin the foundation of our esteemed organization.

Achievements Worth Celebrating (One Club, every 15 days - 6 CLUBS)

The 41 Club of India continues to stand



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as a paragon of community service and fellowship. During this quarter, we experienced an unprecedented surge in member engagement, which culminated in the establishment of vibrant new clubs.

These newly inaugurated clubs, driven by a shared vision, have significantly expanded our reach and influence across diverse geographies. The unwavering dedication of charter members, combined with the visionary leadership at the national level, has laid a robust foundation for exponential growth. Across the nation, our footprint continues to widen, uniting individuals under the shared ethos of friendship and altruism.

Catalysts of Growth: This narrative of growth would remain incomplete without acknowledging the pivotal



contributions of our members. The relentless zeal of Bhupender Singh (Bhupi da), the inspirational leadership of Sundeep Kapoor, and the strategic foresight of Sumith Khataria have set exemplary benchmarks for others to emulate. Furthermore, the collaboration of leaders such as Anjum Arora and Raghu Vyas has reinforced our commitment to fostering a cohesive and dynamic 41 Club community.

I extend our deepest gratitude to the sponsor clubs, the Charter Chairmen of the newly inducted clubs, and the

National President, PANKUJ VATS, whose visionary guidance has steered us through this transformative phase. The unified efforts of our leadership team exemplify the unparalleled power of collective action in realizing extraordinary milestones.

A Glimpse into the Future: As we look ahead, the 41 Club of India stands poised to scale new heights. Our strategic roadmap is underpinned by three cardinal pillars: teamwork, unity, and growth. By nurturing a culture of collaboration, we aim to transform



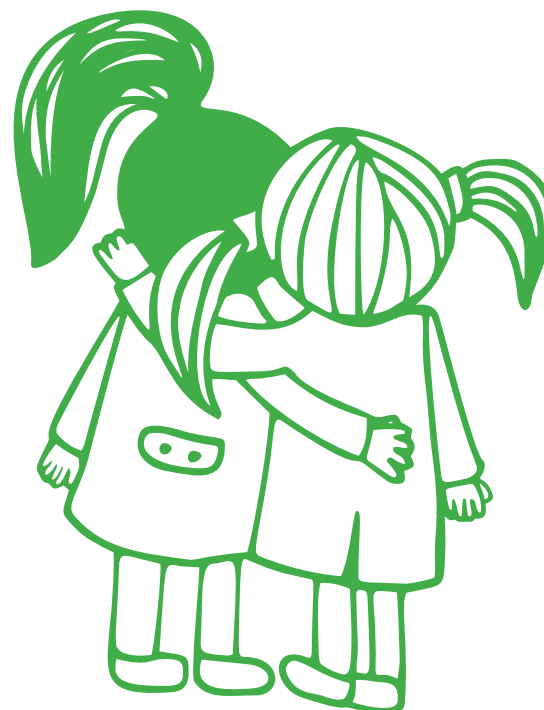
aspirations in to actionable realities, empowering every club and every member to make meaningful contributions.

Our focus on expansion transcends mere numbers; it is about cultivating a legacy of enduring impact. By integrating modern outreach methodologies with our timeless values, we aspire to break new boundaries and welcome a broader spectrum of members and ideas.

A Call to Action: This report serves not only as a chronicle of our accomplishments but also as a clarion call for continued excellence. Let us collectively harness our energies to build a more inclusive, impactful, and sustainable organization. Together, we have the power to shape a future where the 41 Club of India remains synonymous with service, unity, and unwavering resolve.

With profound gratitude and warm regards.

**41er Bharateesha HA
National Extension Convener
Association of 41 Clubs of India**





Fellowship & Publicity (F&P) Drive

The Fellowship & Publicity Drive was conceptualized by 41er Praveen Vats and brought to life by our President, 41er Pankuj Vats. The opportunity arose when Mr. Vivek Syal, a non-Tabler and non-41er, embarked on a pan-India coastal drive with his family. Recognizing this as a unique chance to promote the 41ers movement, stickers bearing the RTI & 41ers India logos were placed on their car to create nationwide visibility. To reinforce the fellowship pillar, all

Area Chairmen were requested to organize Fellowships in their respective areas whenever the Syal family passed through. A Fellowship banner was created and signed at each stop, which will be proudly displayed at the National AGM.

The stickers and banner were printed at short notice and delivered in time. The flag-off took place on 22nd November 2024 in Gurugram, attended by NP 41er Pankuj Vats, Area-5 mentors 41er Praveen Vats & PP 41er Harsh Sehgal, and AC, Area-5 41er Anjum Arora.



Covering 11,293.3km in 58 days, the drive passed through 15 states and 39 cities, strengthening both fellowship and publicity at no cost to the Association of 41 Clubs of India. Fellowships were organized at multiple centres:



- **Lucknow:** Coordinated by AC, Area-9 41er Bhupinder Singh & 41er Rajneesh Sethi
- **Varanasi:** Organized by AVC, Area-9 41er Manish Tandon
- **Kolkata:** Welcomed by AC, Area-6 41er Sundeep Kapoor, with Fellowship on 28th Nov by Club 307 Chairman 41er Amit Madhogarhia
- **Puri:** Provided logistical support
- **Vizag:** Fellowship on 3rd Dec at Waltair Club, coordinated by AS, Area-7 41er Sandeep & 41er Adarsh from Club 92
- **Chennai:** Fellowship at Presidency Club by AC, Area-2
- **Pondicherry:** Organized on 12th Dec by AVC, Area-2 41er Lakshmi Narayanan & 41er Abhishek Kohli
- **Cochin:** Breakfast Fellowship coordinated by AC, Area-8 41er Manoj & AST Deepu Anto
- **Jaipur:** Grand Fellowship arranged by AFC, Area-5 41er Sandeep Jhalani & Club Chairman 41er Kamal Saraf, coordinated by AC, Area-5 41er Anjum Arora



41er Praveen Goel
National Fellowship Convenor

Impact on Fellowship & Publicity

This drive boosted nationwide visibility, spreading awareness across 15 states and 39 cities. It strengthened inter-area collaboration, bringing together 41ers from different regions and reinforcing the spirit of unity and lifelong friendships. The Fellowship banner, signed at each stop, symbolizes our collective efforts and will be displayed at the National AGM.

The drive provided a platform for engaging non-members, introducing them to the 41ers movement and potentially attracting new members. It also showcased the inclusive and

welcoming nature of 41ers by involving a non-Tabler family in the initiative.

Local media and social platforms were leveraged for publicity, further expanding outreach beyond the immediate 41er circles. The event revived connections with past Tablers, reinforcing lifelong friendships while showcasing the movement's values.

Acknowledgments

Heartfelt thanks to 41er Praveen Vats and NP 41er Pankuj Vats for bringing this idea to life. Special appreciation to AC, Area-5 41er Anjum Arora for getting the stickers printed and organizing the flag-off. Gratitude to all ACs, AVCs, ASTs, AFCs, and 41ers who supported this initiative by arranging Fellowships and helping with publicity. 41er Lalit Garg deserves special mention for liaising with RTI in cities where no 41er clubs exist.

A big thank you to PP 41er Harsh Sehgal and all 41ers who attended the flag-off and Fellowships. Lastly, special gratitude to the Syal family for accepting and carrying out this initiative with enthusiasm.

Long Live 41 India and the Tabling Family!



My Journey to Becoming an Award-Winning Professional

Tangent Priya Saraswatula , T 6 Mumbai

Breaking Barriers: My Journey to Becoming an Award-Winning Professional”

It is interesting to narrate my story from a little girl with dreams, brought up in Hyderabad to a woman leader delivering solutions to global business problems and being a mentor/coach to young girls with dreams in the city of

My husband and children are my cheerleaders every single day.

dreams, Mumbai. Life has come a full circle

I was clear technology & computer science was my area of passion though my father was a physics major and wanted me to pursue career in physics. Coming from a family of both parents working, I always knew I would be a working professional for I knew no other way. My mother, who displayed balancing career, children, and husband, was a real possibility, was my role model. Therefore, the start was set!

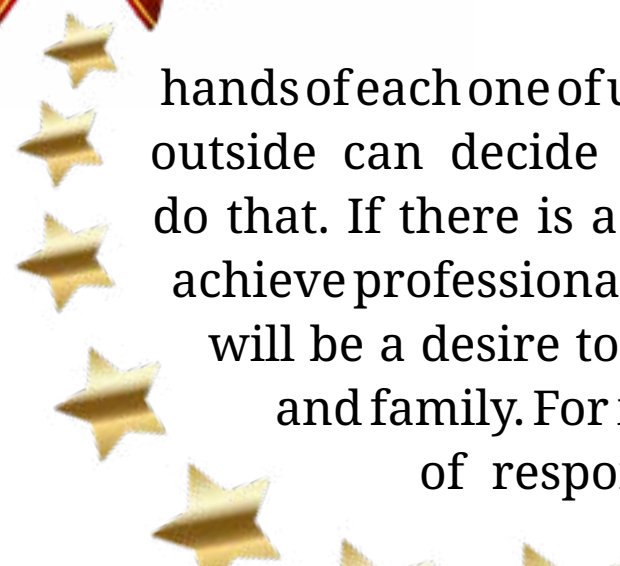
The goal you set for yourself is not always easy to achieve. It is not a bed of roses; even the most beautiful rose has thorns! Thinking back, 28 years ago, when I had started my career, honestly I did not dream of where I want to reach in my career. Nevertheless, as the years went by, I was sure I wanted be the CEO of an organization at least when I reach 20-25 years of work experience. What I surely did was, set smaller achievable goals for myself. Always tracked my progress and never let setbacks derail me from my long term plans.



I learnt, the only way to achieve your set goals is to “be stubborn” with an unwavering desire to keep moving forward. Take a moment to pause and learn from the situation, so 1) you know you don’t want the same to happen again 2) what key learning are you taking along the journey. Remember that not every day will be the same and hence if you are having a bad day – this too shall pass

There is a huge dearth of female role models in corporate world especially in the field of technology + finance. Therefore, self-motivation has to be very strong. So how do you do that? Build a network of mentors for yourself, since I already mentioned lack of women role models, dip into the men who can take role of mentors for you – could be your father, brother, husband, past colleagues, etc. I cannot emphasize how much this is important, as there will be a ton of situations you will face, where self-validation will be important for you to move forward. These mentors may or may not be from your field, but will be very strong sounding boards.

Balancing Act of Managing Work, Family, and Personal Growth is in the



hands of each one of us. No one from outside can decide how you will do that. If there is a motivation to achieve professional growth, there will be a desire to balance work and family. For me, delegation of responsibilities has

worked very well. My husband and children are my cheerleaders every single day. They help me balance my life so much so even after 28 years of exceptional corporate experience, I am able to choose to sign up for academic learning experience.





My formula for success has been: ABCD

- **Attitude:** Positive behavior, be bold - show bold/
- **Build your Brand:** Be authentic; YOU are your own brand; be confident / show confidence / clear thoughts and communication is key; practice it!
- **Command the room:** make your presence felt in a call/meeting – always go prepared. speak up
- **Delegate:** Do not do tasks that others can do. Don't stress yourself by wanting to do it all!!

Leadership Lessons I Learned

- **Expertise:** Know your domain – be an expert – there are no shortcuts to knowledge
- **Self-Awareness:** clarity of thought on who you are, focus on “strengths”, there are many who there who point out the areas of improvement ;
- **Communication:** Build ability to articulate thoughts clearly.
- **Be decisive!**
- **Walk the talk:** only speak what you believe. People can see through b***s***t.
- **Build risk appetite:** jump into tough projects and strive to emerge as a winner! The only way to build your confidence!
- Last but not the least, be a mentor/coach to the next generation so we build a female leadership pipeline to grow India! In closing, all I can say is you have one life, live well. Be strong, invest in yourself, take your chances, fail but get back on your feet, build a support system. Fly high, be humble, spread happiness.



Unleashing my Potential: How I Built a Business Worth Celebrating

Tangent Tina Mittal , T 33 Delhi

Dream big, work hard, stay focused, and surround yourself with good people.”

In a world where traditional roles for women were often rigidly defined, my journey from being a homemaker to an award-winning entrepreneur has been both challenging and immensely rewarding. Today, as the Director of Nova Formworks and Winning Excellence in Business Award by Indian Women Achievers Award, I reflect on the path I have travelled—the barriers I have broken, the lessons I have learned, and the message I want to share with women aspiring to make their mark in the world.

In 2009, I joined Nova Formworks, a family-run business specializing in plastic formworks for concrete construction. Transitioning from a full-time housewife to the director of a company

was both exhilarating and daunting. Entering the male-dominated construction industry as one of the few women was a significant barrier. Skepticism from peers and clients alike made the early days challenging. However, with the unwavering support of my family and a determination to prove my worth, I stepped up to the plate.

My initial days in the industry were marked by steep learning curves. Balancing the demands of my professional life with my responsibilities as a wife, daughter in law and a mother was no small feat. I encountered stereotypes





family, particularly my husband, was instrumental in this journey. Together, we worked tirelessly to introduce innovative, eco-friendly, and recyclable plastic formworks to the market, gaining the trust of contractors and businesses across India. Networking played a pivotal role too. I joined associations like NAREDCO Mahi and Builders' Association of India, not only to represent women in the construction industry but also to share my vision of sustainability and innovation.

Under my guidance, Nova Formworks has achieved several milestones that reflect our commitment to excellence and sustainability. Winning the MSME India Business Award stands out as a testament to our innovation and dedication.

Today, 8% of Nova's workforce comprises women—a significant achievement in an industry where female representation remains low. Leading skilling initiatives and advocating for gender equality in construction have been deeply fulfilling aspects of my journey.

I would like to share few profound lessons I have learnt: Success is never immediate. It requires perseverance

that questioned my capabilities and faced resistance from stakeholders who doubted a woman's role in construction.

Rather than being disheartened, I chose to tackle these hurdles head-on. The first step in overcoming these challenges was believing in myself.

I realized that if I did not have confidence in my capabilities, no one else would. I invested time in understanding every facet of the business—from manufacturing processes to marketing strategies. I cultivated a holistic vision where every department's goals aligned with the company's broader objectives. This clarity allowed me to lead with confidence and inspire my team to pursue innovation. Support from my



and consistent effort. Challenges are inevitable, but every obstacle carries an opportunity for growth. Never Stop Learning: The world is changing rapidly. Staying informed and adaptive is crucial. Value Your Network: Building meaningful relationships opens doors to opportunities and collaborations. Empower Others: As I grew, I ensured I brought others along, particularly women, by championing gender equality and skill development initiatives. Balance Is Key: A clear vision, effective time management, and delegation are essential for balancing personal and professional life. To those reading my story, let me leave you with this: the barriers you face are often stepping stones in disguise. Believe in your abilities, stay committed to your goals, and surround yourself with people who uplift and inspire you. Success is not just about achieving milestones but about growing as an individual and contributing to the greater good.



Your life is your story. Write well, edit often, and don't let anyone else hold the pen.

Love: Tina Mittal

As I look back on my 16-year professional journey, I am filled with gratitude for the experiences that shaped me, the challenges that tested my resolve, and the milestones that affirmed my purpose.

As I continue my journey, I remain guided by a simple yet profound belief: challenges are opportunities in disguise. Embrace them with courage, and you'll not only break barriers but also inspire others to do the same. Together, we can create a world where innovation thrives, diversity is celebrated, and dreams are turned into reality. ■



NEX at Lucknow...

Business Fellowship and Ayodhya

Jashn-E-Lucknow: A Spectacular 2nd NEX Gathering

On the 14th of December, the grand halls of Hotel Marriott in Lucknow came alive with the vibrant energy of the 2nd NEX. This prestigious event was a perfect blend of constructive deliberations, insightful discussions, and a meticulously crafted action plan for the future. The convenors' reports from the past two months set the stage for meaningful dialogue, while the roadmap for the coming year inspired confidence and enthusiasm among all attendees.

Adding a spiritual and historical touch to the occasion, the group embarked on a memorable visit to Ayodhya. The sacred city, brimming with devotion and grandeur, left everyone in awe. Walking through its beautifully transformed landscape, soaking in the



divine aura of the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi, and witnessing the city's magnificent makeover was a surreal experience. The visit was not just a journey through history but a deeply enriching moment of reflection and reverence.

As the sun dipped below the horizon,





the evening unfolded into an enchanting celebration at the Golf Club. The crisp, invigorating winter air added to the charm, making it a night to remember. A fantastic live band serenaded the guests, their melodies weaving magic into the atmosphere. The lavish spread of delectable cuisine and a selection of fine drinks complemented the camaraderie and laughter that filled the night. A special note of gratitude goes to AC Bhupinder, whose dedication and impeccable planning made this NEX an extraordinary success. His efforts ensured not just a productive gathering but also a celebration that will be cherished for years to come. Here's to many more such remarkable moments in the future! ■





Hope in Every Action



A Promising Start to Fundraising & Corporate Alliances
The first quarter has been an eventful and productive phase, with significant developments and achievements in both Fund Raising & Corporate Alliance. These efforts have been instrumental in supporting various impactful projects, including the FTDE and SYJ initiatives, the Mother & Child Project, and the TPAF Paediatric Liver Transplant Project.

Fundraising Success.

1 TPAF Collaboration: The Association of 41 Clubs of India has proudly partnered with The Pravin Agarwal Foundation (TPAF), an initiative by Mr. Pravin Agarwal, Chairman of Sterlite Power Transmission Ltd and a past member of Patna Mid-Town Round Table 58. This collaboration enables us to facilitate paediatric liver transplants by contributing just Rs 1 lakh per transplant, making





Beneficiaries Shanvi



Beneficiaries Aarav and Arpan Raj

a life-saving difference. Moreover, this contribution is eligible for 80G tax exemption.

So far, we have successfully raised Rs 10 lakhs, covering 10 transplants, with commitments for 6 more in the pipeline. Our ambitious yet achievable goal is to support at least 50 paediatric liver transplants, ensuring access to critical healthcare for children in need. The total outlay for these 10 transplants stands at Rs 160 lakhs.

2 FTDE/SYJ Projects: Numerous transformative projects have already been successfully completed, with many more in progress.

We are currently compiling financial data related to these initiatives and other Club-driven projects. A clearer financial overview will be available in the upcoming Selfie issue. The estimated outlay for these projects is Rs 25 lakhs.

3 Mother & Child Project: With the strong personal commitment of our President, 41er Pankuj Vats, this crucial project is in the final stages of setup. Fundraising efforts will gain momentum in the second quarter, with an initial pipeline of Rs 6 lakhs dedicated to ensuring better maternal and child healthcare.

Strengthening Corporate Alliances



We are making significant strides in forming strategic alliances with the corporate sector to expand benefits for our members and explore CSR opportunities:

- **Exclusive Hotel Partnerships:** We have successfully tied up with two reputed hotel groups, and discount cards will be launched soon.
- **Corporate Discount Structures:** Negotiations are ongoing with other companies to establish attractive member discount programs.
- **CSR Collaborations:** We are also in active discussions with corporates for CSR tie-ups, aiming to channel corporate resources toward meaningful social impact. Introducing the Donor Honour Badge To recognize and appreciate our generous contributors.

GET A DONOR HONOUR BADGE

We are introducing a concept of Donor Badges for individual Donors.



Level 1: Gold
Donation of Rs **10,00,000**



Level 2: Silver
Donation of Rs **5,00,000**



Level 3: Bronze
Donation of Rs **2,00,000**

This initiative will encourage more participation and provide tangible recognition to those making substantial contributions toward our charitable efforts.

With immense enthusiasm and dedication, we move forward in our fundraising and corporate alliance journey, ensuring that 41 Clubs of India continues to make a lasting impact on communities.

Yours in Continued Fellowship,



**41er Anil Kumar
Agrawal
Convenor, Fund
Raising & Corporate
Alliance**

RTI Recognition ✨

41er Apoorva Modi ✨

Apoorva's unwavering dedication has earned him the Distinguished Service Award (DSA), Round Table India's highest honor. His tireless efforts over the past decade have left an indelible impact, making him the 29th recipient in its 63-year history.

His exceptional leadership and selfless service have uplifted countless lives, fostering unity and growth within the movement. A true inspiration, his visionary mindset continues to drive positive change.

Congratulations, Apoorva, on this well-deserved recognition! May your journey of service and impact continue to inspire many more in the years ahead. ■



41er Lalit Garg

Lalit Garg was honoured to receive this prestigious award for his exemplary contributions as AST of Area 5. Managing this dynamic region, he ensured maximum fellowships, strengthening bonds and camaraderie. He led impactful community service projects, making a tangible difference through nationwide eye camps, providing vision and hope to many.

This achievement reflects dedication, teamwork, and service. He is grateful for the support of fellow 41ers, whose efforts made these initiatives a resounding success. This award is not just his but is a testament of the collective commitment of 41ers making a meaningful impact. ■





My 20,000 feet Journey to Mentok Kangri

41er Anand S K
Club 128 Coimbatore



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ife is either a Daring Adventure or Nothing”, said Helen Keller. Isn’t that inspiring and challenging at the same time? A 20,000 feet hike in the middle of deep crevasses, ice, snow and thin air? Why not?!! That’s how it all started, and I signed up for the hike to Mentok Kangri in Ladakh.

At 20,000 feet (6,000+ Metres), there is only 45% oxygen in the air when compared to sea level. You will feel breathless all the time. Your blood oxygen concentration will only be 80%, compared to a typical 98%. To do a hike of this nature, you need to be fit. Period. No escaping this reality! You should have excellent cardiovascular fitness, body



strength and flexibility to be able to climb and clamber over rocks and snow ice, that too in thin air.

My trek to Mentok Kangri started from Delhi airport. I took a short flight to Leh, Ladakh, and landed in an airport nestled in-between tall snow-capped mountains. For acclimatization, we stayed in Leh for a day, and then did a couple of road trips including Kardungla Pass. Because of the unique geology of Ladakh, the ultra-tall mountains are mostly barren and made up of loose rocks, boulders, slate and sand. The

landscape looked out of the World, as if we were on Mars or Moon!

Then we drove from Leh to Karzok, which is located by the banks of Tsomoriri Lake, that is 26 kms across. This is a five-hour drive on a scenic road laid by BSF, and one that weaves by Indus river with its pristine cold waters, lined by the beautifully green and tall Poplar trees.

We started our hike from Karzok. Each day we would climb 1,000 to 2,000 feet and hike up to 10 Kms. We stayed in 2 person tents overnight. Our toilet was

only a hole in the ground, with no running water. The environment is extremely cold with temperatures hovering below -10 Deg C. So we were always covered in at least 4 layers of alpine clothing.

Climbing at high altitudes comes with multiple challenges. Your heart will be racing faster, you will be gasping for breath all the time and your muscles will fatigue much faster. Add to this - bone chilling cold temperature, high speed winds and snow fall. To top it, there exists the real danger of Acute Mountain Sickness (AMS), that many are prone to. AMS can lead to fatal cerebral or pulmonary oedema. Other common high-altitude problems include vomiting, diarrhea, intense headaches, extreme breathlessness, insomnia, loss of hunger, etc. This is the stark reality of high altitude climbing!

On the Final Summit day, we were woken up at 2 AM and given Oats porridge and warm water. There was total silence, no small talk and the mood was somber. We had our big summit climb ahead. We packed our lunch bags and filled our water flasks with hot water and



electrolytes. Then we put on our helmets to protect from rock fall, and strapped on our head lamps.

At 3 AM, our march to the summit started. The night was pitch black, but we could see stars above. Luckily, it was not snowing or raining. The climb was steep and we had to follow the leader and Sherpas. We could not see anything more than a few feet ahead. It was a sight to behold when you looked back. A string of pearly lights at various heights in the mountain – your fellow hikers making their way up one behind another.

It was a tough climb at night. Within 30 minutes, 3 climbers backed off and went back to Basecamp, for various reasons. The entire route is made up of huge boulders, deep crevasses and steep snow ice terrain. We were climbing on 45 deg inclines and steep cliff sides, with no clear pathways.

The dangerous part is walking on moraines, a layer of loosely packed rocks. One slip of the foot or handhold, you are dead! The cliff sides are thousands of feet deep. If you have fear of heights or

are prone to panic attacks, this summit day hike is just not for you!

Also, you must space yourself behind your hiker in front, in such a way that if his foot triggers a rockslide, you are not in its pathway. I had a very scary moment when a boulder came hurtling down straight at me, from way above. Luckily it stopped short of crashing into me. We were all wearing helmets to avoid head injuries due to such rock falls.

As we climbed higher, the extreme cold led to total numbness of toes and fingers. We just could not feel them anymore, although we were constantly moving. It's a very weird and extremely scary feeling. Our water inside the backpacks froze during the hike up, at night. Even our wet wipes froze!

Usually during such hikes, the trek leader sets a turn back time, for safety reasons. Our turn back time was 12 noon. But by 11 AM, I had hit 6,000+ metres (about 20,000 feet) and was on the Mentok ridge. This is higher than Mt. Kilimanjaro, Everest Basecamp, or Mt. Elbrus (highest peak in Europe). Sitting on a precarious ledge, it was a moment to remember and savor! Took

a couple of photos and it was time to turn back. The trek down was even more treacherous. I knew the hike down would be difficult but expected it to be at least easy on the lungs. But I was wrong. We had to take brief pauses every few minutes, to catch our breaths. Even with 2 hiking poles strongly planted in the ground, and my legs positioned steady and sideways, I was sliding down uncontrollably in many sections. We were fighting extremely dangerous and steep inclines, slippery moraines, crevasse, low oxygen and muscle fatigue. Finally,

we reached our base camp tents around 4 PM, after 13 hours of non-stop and intense hiking.

Our last day hike down from Base camp to low camp, was easy and enjoyable, given that we were all relaxed after the summit climb. The breathtaking scale of mountains in the Himalayas is to be seen and experienced on foot and can never be captured thru road trips or photos. It was an adventure well worth all the risks, and one that I will cherish for a lifetime. What is your next adventure?

- Anand SK



Lockdown to Marathon

Vinay is the proud son of Arun KB and Swapna Arun of Flamin 30 Club 158 Mysore

For many, the pandemic brought unforeseen challenges, but for Vinay, it also sparked an unexpected journey—a love affair with running. While pursuing a Master's degree at NYU and living in the heart of New York City during one of the most challenging times in recent history, running became a lifeline, one of the few activities available in a city that had come to a standstill.

2020 was a defining year in more ways than one. Amid a tumultuous election season, Vinay published a paper along with a few of his class mates predicting which stocks would perform well under Democratic or Republican presidents. The insightful analysis won them a prestigious competition in Finance.

Meanwhile, running offered a different kind of outlet. What started as a simple way to stay active during those isolating times soon turned into a passion. As the

world began to reopen, Vinay laced up his running shoes for this first official 10K. From there, the milestones kept coming: a half marathon, and finally, a full marathon in November of this year in Philadelphia. Though the initial goal was a sub-4-hour finish, crossing the finish line in 4 hours and 9 minutes marked an incredible achievement.

Running has also become a shared experience. While he takes on longer distances like half marathons, his wife often joins in the fun, participating in shorter events like 5Ks offered during the same races.

But the journey doesn't stop there. With plans to conquer more races, including a 50K trail run next year, Vinay has also set his sights on an ambitious goal: running a race in every U.S. state. So far, a few states have been checked off the list, and the miles ahead hold countless stories waiting to be written. ■



Unique Hobbies

Meet Dr. Thomas Manjooran, a paediatric dental surgeon from 41 Club Thrissur 113, who moonlights as a railroad modelling enthusiast. Yes, you heard that right—tiny trains chugging through meticulously crafted miniature worlds. Often dubbed “the world’s greatest hobby”

(by enthusiasts and Google), railroad modelling traces its roots back to the early 19th century when someone looked at a steam engine and thought, “You know what this needs? A pocket- sized version.”

What makes this hobby so captivating? It’s a glorious mash-up of painting, technology, history, transportation, and scenic landscapes. And let’s be honest—no machine built by humans is as gloriously dramatic as a steam locomotive, puffing, wheezing, and basically throwing a hissy fit while getting you from Point A to Point B. And before you assume this is child’s play—think again. It’s an adult hobby, folks. Kids may have toy trains, but adults? Adults have railroads. ■



**41er Dr Thomas Manjooran
Club Thrissur 113**





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धीरे चल ज़िंदगी धीरे चल

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भूल-भुलैया चोर-पुलिस खेल तो लूँ

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41er Arun Agadi
AREA 10



In Loving MEMORY

Dear 41er Family,

It is with heavy hearts that we say goodbye to our beloved 41er Indu Chandhok Ji, the guidinglight, Friend of Friends, and father of the Association of 41 Clubs of India. The Void created by his sad demise cannot be expressed in words as we mourn the loss of a truly extraordinary soul who touched countless lives with his kindness and compassion.

Indu Ji was more than a leader; he was a mentor, a friend, a critic and a source of unwavering inspiration. His vision for service,

his commitment to uplifting the less fortunate, and his passion for fostering fellowship have left an imprint that will forever remain a part of our 41er family.

His warmth, humility, and boundless energy were the hallmarks of a life lived in service of others. Indu Ji's legacy is one of love, selflessness, and an enduring belief in the power of togetherness. We are grateful for the time we had with him and for the lessons he taught us through his life and actions.

As we mourn this immense loss, we pray for his soul to rest in



INDU CHANDHOK
In Loving Memory



eternal peace. May his spirit continue to guide and inspire us as we carry forward the torch of service and fellowship that he so passionately championed.

Our thoughts and heartfelt prayers are with his family and loved ones during this difficult time. May they find comfort and strength in the cherished memories of a truly remarkable life.

With profound sorrow,

**41er Pankuj Vats
& the National Board
Association of 41 Clubs of
India**





Area #1



Club 54 Nostalgia Nite with Tablers



AC Giri @ RT Area 7 Sports Meet



Calicut Club 129 meet



Club 23 business meeting



Club 54 at Andamans



Club 54 at Port Blair

#1



Club 54 meeting



Club 108 Fellowship



Club 242 family Social



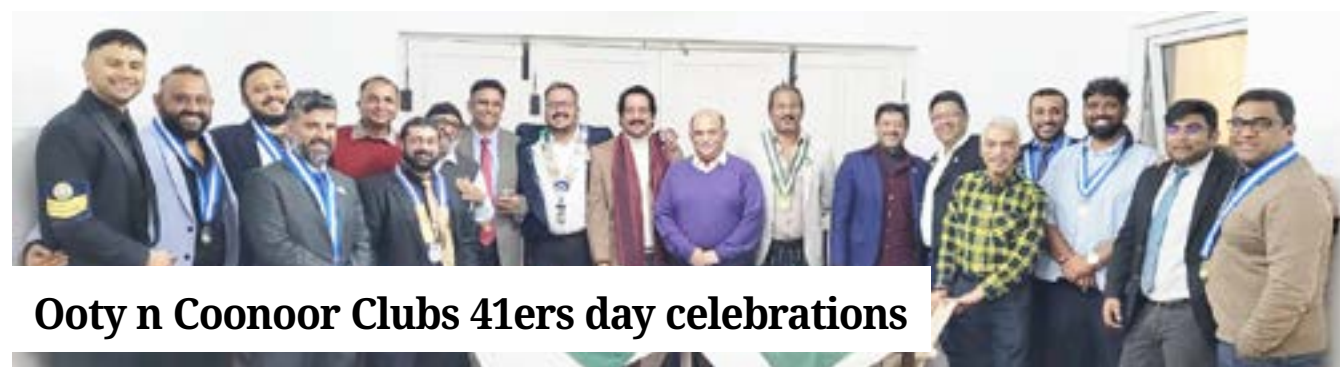
Club 288 meeting



#1



Coimbatore Club 38 business meet



Ooty n Coonoor Clubs 41ers day celebrations



ERT-98 landmark 888 meeting



Club 63 family Social



Trek to Valparai



Pickleball Fellowship



Coonoor Club 76 social meet



Wolfs pack social Meet at De Rock Coonoor

Area #2



Club 68 at 41er Masoor sons wedding



President at the Secretariat



41er Ashish Gupta at National Motor Event



Tangerine Club 111 Socials



Club 7 Fellowship Meet



@Pondy welcoming the Fellowship Drive team



#2



Club 152 Christmas Fellowship



Chennai Clubs Fellowship Meet



Induction Ceremony



**Pondy Club 192
Rural Eye Screening**



Sports Fellowship



Club 142 Fellowship Meet @ Hardrock



New Club Contact Meeting



Pongal Celebration at the Secretariat

Area #3



Joint Meeting of Club 2 & 10



Brunch meeting of Club 52



Meeting with 41er IRO
Daniel from Hungary



Club 277 Valentine's socials



41er Rajesh with IRO
Daniel at Mysore



@Mahakumbh

Area #3



Club 69 Christmas Meet



Club 116 Christmas Brunch



Christ University releases Coffee table book in honour of 41er Jugnu Uberoi



Mysore 277 Fellowship



Big Boys 98 Fellowship at a Winery



BONHOMIE-Area Monthly Meet

Area #3



Joint Meeting of Club 25 and Tangent 10



@41er Vivek's Social



Presidents visit to Bangalore



BONHOMIE-Area Meet



Bangalore n Mysore 41ers at Mahakumbh



Area #4



Club 199 Fellowship Celebrations



Mumbai Clubs felicitating Past President



Area 4 Lunch Fellowship



Lunch Fellowship



Nasik 135 Farmhouse Social



#4



Just Fellowship



MumBhai 213 Charter Day



Pune 157 Fellowship



Mumbai Clubs Joint Social



Pune 309 Christmas Social



Intercity Fellowship



#4



Mumbai 110 Socials



@a community service project



Pune 289 -School Project



Surat 104 SYJ Project



Nasik Club 135 celebrates Charter Nite



Blessings @Mahakumbh for PC



Area #5



Noida 278 family picnic



School bag distribution by Club 136



SYJ Project of Club 136



Jaipur 168 celebrating Republic Day



Community service project of Club 136



Blanket distribution by club 239



#5



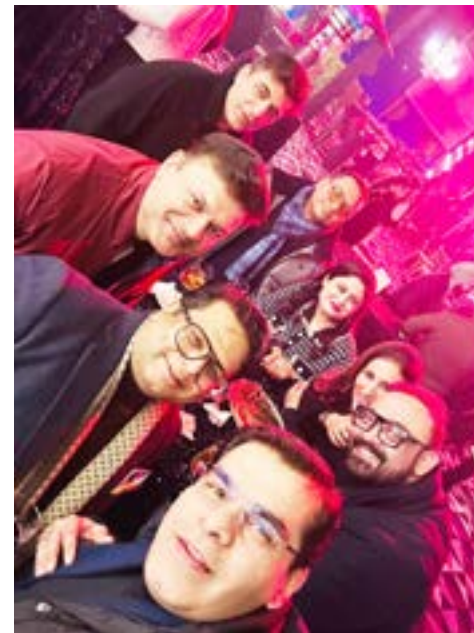
FTDE Project



Fellowship Nite



Delhi Club 28 Socials



Fellowship at Ludhiana



Meeting at Chandigarh



Club 239 Socials



Club Fellowship



Charter day celebrations of Club 136



Fellowship with President



#5



FTDE Project of Club 136



Social Meeting of Club 39



Coffee meet of Forever 40 Club 238 Indore



Delhi 190 Socials



Club 190 Socials



Social by Club 5



Area #6



Club 246 @ OTV 2025



Sports Fellowship



@Mahakumbh



Club Fellowship





#6



41ers at Vrindavan for Bhagwat discourse



Fellowship Nite



Spiritual journey @Prayagraj



Vice President with Tangents



At Ayodhya



Fellowship



VP at a World Meet



#6



Fun evening



Club 94 meeting



Kolkata Legends business meet



Charter



41ers Fellowship at Kolkata



@PUSHPA Screening



Area #7



41er Madhubabu with SuperStar



Salsa classes of Club 169 with Tangents



Prez with 41er Ravi Vadlamani



Monthly Meeting



Charter Meet at Hyderabad



#7



Blankets distribution by Club 294



Meeting & Greeting of Guntur Club 294



IRO Giri with IRO Daniel of Hungary



Rockers 312's project Meals on Wheels



Breakfast Fellowship



#7



Business Meeting



Presidential Visit



Intercity Fellowship



Vizag Club 169 n T34 at a breakfast meet





Area #8



Joint Meeting of Trivandrum 41 Clubs



Trivandrum Club 99



Induction at Fort 41ers Palakkad



Meeting NEX Members at Bangalore



Welcoming Fellowship Drive team at Alleppey



#8



Landmark meeting 1111 of Trivandrum Club 66



Trichy trailblazers 286 Fellowship meet



Chairmen of Clubs 15, 99, 141, 266 at Trivandrum



Knightsbridge's 299 family trip



Club 266 Fellowship



41ers Fellowship



NEX Fellowship



Intercity Fellowship



Lucknow Street food fellowship



@Lakhimpur after NEX



@NEX LUCKNOW



@Prayagraj



@Prayagraj

Area #9



#9



AVC Manish with Club 5 41ers
Tilak Raj and Amrendra Singh



To Ayodhya



Club 64 Meeting at Kanpur



41ers Manish and
Uttam at Varanasi



Area #10



Fellowship Meet of Hubli Club 285



Project of Dharwad Club 79



Outbound Meeting of Davangere Club 227



Area 10 at NEX Lucknow



Fellowship Meet of Hubli Club 46



Joint Fellowship of Hubli Clubs



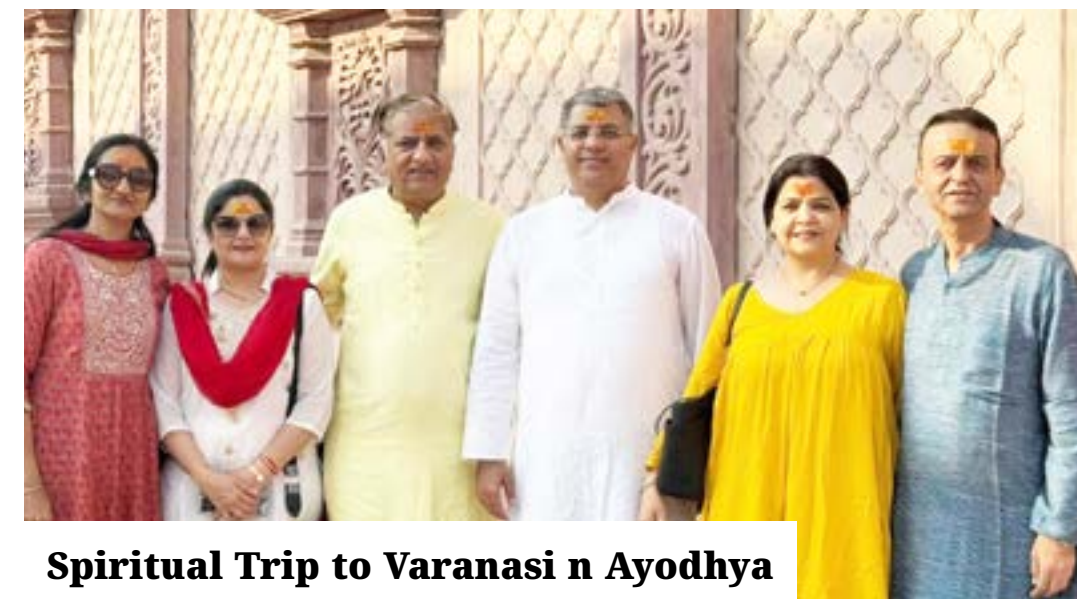
Ballari Titans 218 Fellowship on the rocks



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Chess Tournament for Hearing & Visually Impaired Students by Ponda Club 66



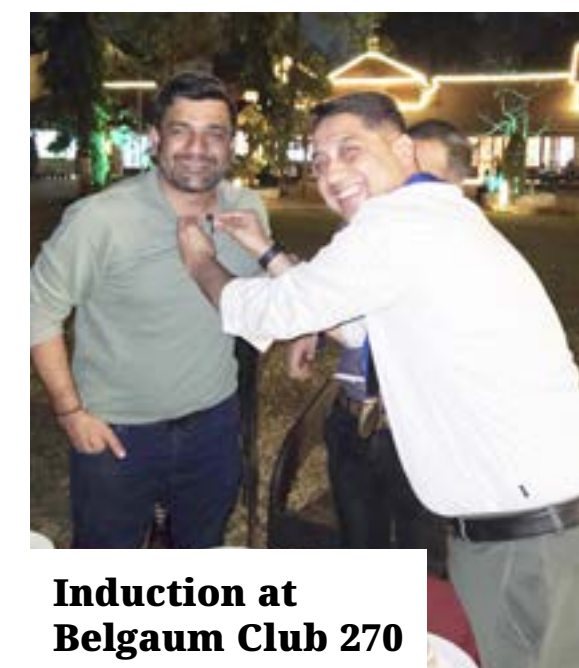
Spiritual Trip to Varanasi n Ayodhya



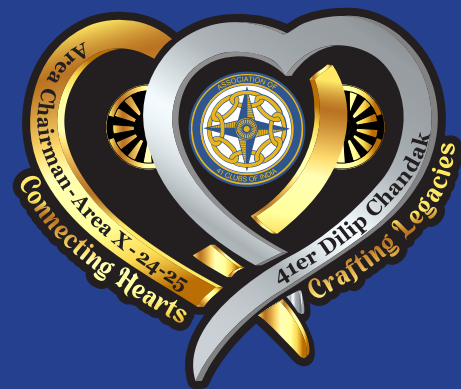
41er at a wedding in Kolkata



Silver Jubilee Celebration of Ponda Club 66



Induction at Belgaum Club 270



#10



Brunch Fellowship of Belgaum Club 125



Induction Meet of Belgaum Club 125



Silver Jubilee Celebration of Ponda Club 66

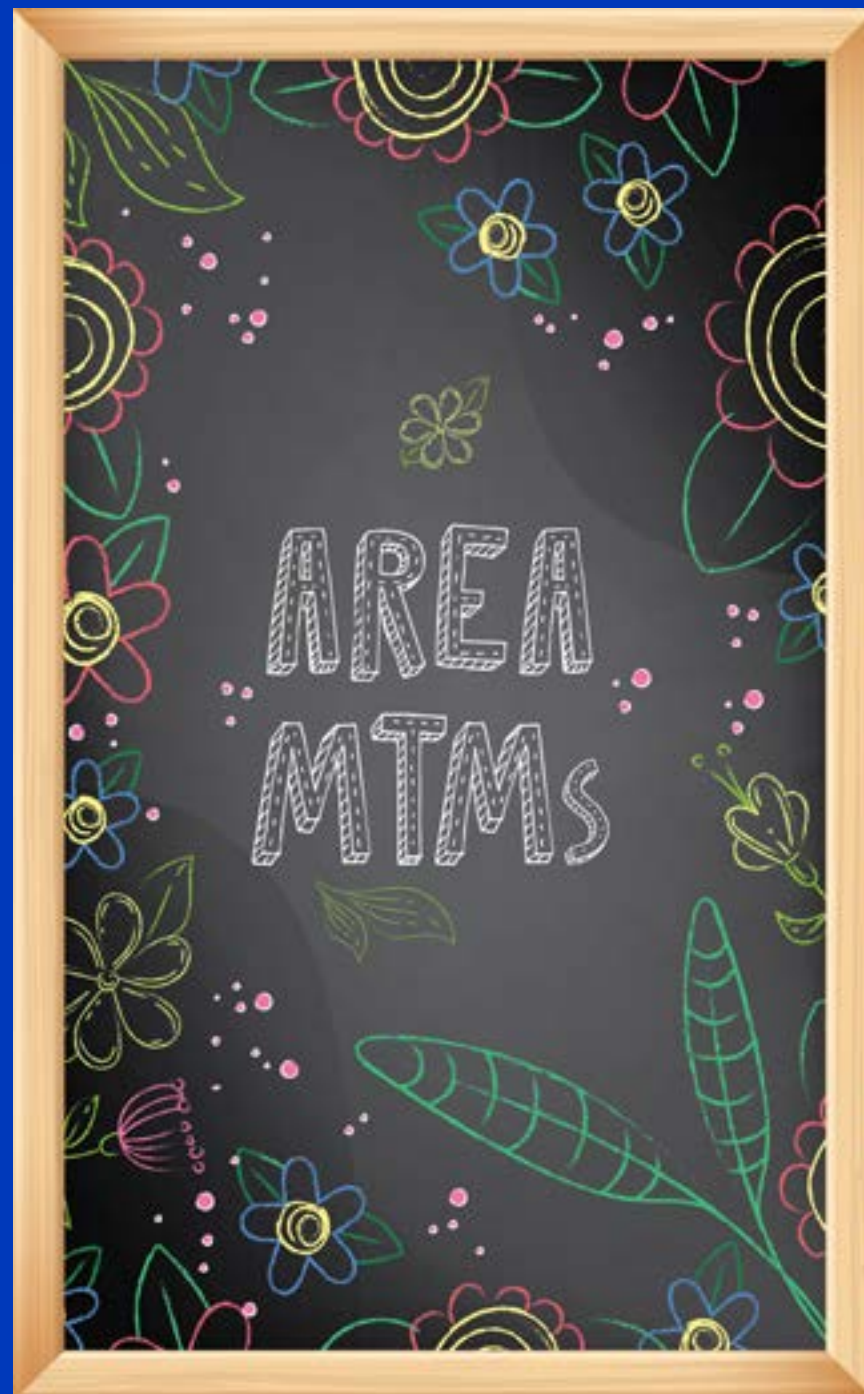


Fellowship Meet of Hubli Legends 285



Business Meet of Panjim Club 301

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