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Pune -411037

Title of the Event	Hosting the District Interact Assembly of Rotary club		
Date of the Event	September 27, 2025	Place of the event	St. Vincent College, Pune
Objectives of the Event	The District Interact Assembly aimed to engage youth in critical discussions on contemporary social issues such as mental health, digital well-being, gender equity, and civic responsibility. It sought to inspire ethical leadership, foster collaboration among Interact Clubs, and strengthen the partnership between Rotary and educational institutions like St. Vincent College.		
Name/s of the Resource Persons	S. Marathe and Tina Ratra		

A short narration of the program

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On September 27, 2025, the Rotary Club of Pune, in collaboration with St. Vincent College, Pune, successfully hosted the District Interact Assembly—a dynamic and thought-provoking gathering of Interact Club members, Rotarians, educators, and youth representatives from across the district. Held on the vibrant campus of St. Vincent College, the event served as a vital platform for dialogue, reflection, and action on pressing social issues affecting today’s youth.

The Assembly brought together students from various schools and colleges affiliated with Interact Clubs to engage in meaningful discussions centered on themes such as mental health awareness, digital well-being, gender equity, substance abuse prevention, civic responsibility, and sustainable development. These topics were selected to resonate with the lived realities of young people and to empower them as agents of positive social change in their communities.

The event was graced by the presence of distinguished Rotarians, with Rotarian S. Marathe serving as the Chief Guest. In his address, Mr. Marathe emphasized the pivotal role of youth in nation-building and underscored Rotary’s long-standing commitment to nurturing ethical leadership, service above self, and community resilience. He lauded St. Vincent College for providing an inclusive and intellectually stimulating environment that aligns seamlessly with Rotary’s values.



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The Keynote Address was delivered by Rotarian Tina Ratra, a passionate advocate for youth development and mental wellness. Drawing from her extensive experience in education and social impact, she spoke candidly about the psychological pressures faced by adolescents in the digital age and called for empathetic, peer-led support systems within educational institutions. Her interactive session included practical strategies for stress management, digital detoxing, and fostering inclusive campus cultures—messages that resonated deeply with the student audience.

A significant aspect of the Assembly was the active involvement of St. Vincent College as both host and intellectual partner. The college not only provided logistical and infrastructural support but also ensured academic and organizational synergy. Faculty members along with the college's Interact Club advisors, played a crucial coordinating role—facilitating breakout sessions, moderating panel discussions, and mentoring student delegates throughout the day. Their engagement exemplified the institution's dedication to extending classroom learning into real-world civic engagement.

The program featured interactive workshops, youth-led presentations, and collaborative problem-solving exercises, where participants proposed actionable solutions to local challenges—from reducing campus waste to promoting mental health first aid among peers. The energy, creativity, and sense of responsibility displayed by the young attendees reflected the success of Rotary's Interact model in cultivating compassionate leadership.

The event concluded with a pledge of service, where all participants committed to initiating at least one community-oriented project in their respective institutions before the end of the academic year. Certificates of participation were distributed, and a vote of thanks was extended to Rotarians, faculty coordinators, volunteers, and the administrative staff of St. Vincent College for their seamless collaboration.

By hosting the District Interact Assembly, St. Vincent College reaffirmed its identity as a socially responsive educational institution—one that bridges academic excellence with ethical citizenship. The partnership with Rotary not only enriched the student experience but also strengthened the college's role as a hub for youth empowerment and community dialogue in Pune.



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This Assembly stands as a testament to what can be achieved when service organizations and educational institutions unite with a shared vision: to equip young people with the knowledge, empathy, and courage to build a more just and sustainable world.

Name of the Collaborating Agency	Rotary Club, Pune
Learning Outcomes of the Event for the Participants	Participants gained heightened awareness of key societal challenges affecting youth and acquired practical strategies for addressing them in their communities. They were also motivated to initiate service projects and developed a stronger sense of empathy, responsibility, and leadership through peer dialogue and expert guidance.
Learning Outcomes for the Organizing team	The organizing team including Rotary members and St. Vincent College faculty enhanced their capacity to design and execute large-scale youth engagement events with cross-institutional coordination. They also deepened their understanding of student perspectives on social issues, reinforcing the value of collaborative, service-oriented education.
No. of Participants	100+
Faculty in Charge	Dr. Franklin Salvi
Documents Attached	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Attendance Sheet2. Geotag photographs3. Resume of resource persons if any4. Copy of remuneration paid if any5. Notice of the event6. Thank you letter to the resource persons