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Thanya Nathan C Felicitated at

YASHOTSAV 2026

At just 24 years old, Thanya Nathan C has created history by becoming the first visually impaired woman judge, inspiring thousands of students across the country.

Her remarkable achievement was celebrated at Yashotsav 2026 in Pune on 25 February 2026, organised by Deepstambh Manobal. The event recognised her journey and highlighted the growing impact of inclusive education in India.

The felicitation ceremony was attended by Satyajit Bade (State Commissioner for Disability Welfare), Mahendra Mahajan (District & Sessions Judge, Pune), Senior Advocate S. K. Jain, R. K. Lunkad, Dr. Bhausahab Jadhav, and Yajurvendra Mahajan (Founder, Deepstambh Foundation).

All dignitaries appreciated Thanya's achievement and acknowledged Deepstambh Manobal's work in enabling opportunities for students from marginalized backgrounds.

"With dedication and consistency, success is inevitable."

— Thanya Nathan

Student Achievers Felicitated

- **Abhijit Gosavi** – Tax Assistant, MPSC 2024
- **Tushar Chougule** – Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE)
- **Yashwant Bharad** – Junior Clerk, District & Sessions Court, Thane
- **Vishal Shelar** – National Gold Medalist, Para Cycling 2025
- **Rohit Gaikwad** – Executive Assistant, BMC

Thanya's Message to Students

During her address, Thanya shared important reflections from her journey:

- Consistency and discipline are the foundation of success
- Challenges should be viewed as opportunities
- The justice system must become more accessible and inclusive

She also acknowledged the role played by Deepstambh Manobal since 2020 through competitive exam guidance, personality development, and career mentoring.



Championing Inclusive & Accessible Education

at Rotary District Conference 2026

Deepstambh Manobal was honoured to address over 700 Rotarians at the Rotary District Conference 2026 on February 7, 2026 in Mahabaleshwar, organised by Rotary District 3131 (Pune & Raigad).

Shri Yajurvendra Mahajan emphasized that persons with disabilities, orphaned youth, and transgender individuals remain among the most vulnerable not due to lack of talent, but lack of access. When education becomes accessible, inclusive, and sustained, it unlocks leadership, dignity, and contribution.

The message came alive through Mr. Pankaj Girase, once an orphan and orthopedically challenged, now an MSW graduate from TISS, sharing his journey, and Ms. Mauli Adkur, Clerk at BMC, performing "Sare Jahan Se Achha" on the harmonium using her feet.

We thank Shri Santosh Marathe, District Governor, and Shri Deepak Shah for their encouragement, and were honoured to share the stage with leaders including Padma Shri Manoj Joshi, Padma Shri Dr. Prakash Amte, Dr. Mandakini Amte, Lt. Gen. A.K. Singh (Retd.), Mr. Sanjay Takale, and Dr. Avinash Pol.

We warmly welcome several Rotarians who have now joined the Deepstambh Manobal family as donors, strengthening the mission of inclusive education.

BUILDING INDEPENDENCE THROUGH SKILLS

Visually Impaired Students Learn to Cook

Deepstambh Manobal organised a two-day cooking workshop to help visually impaired students develop practical life skills and become more independent in their daily lives.

A total of 18 students participated and learned how to safely use a gas stove and prepare simple meals. The simple meals included Sheera, Poha, Sabudana Khichdi, Bhel and Sandwich.

The sessions were conducted with guidance from Mr. Swagat Thorat and Ms. Swaroopa Deshpande.

“Cooking independently gives us confidence that we can manage our daily lives without depending on others.”

– Nilima Wavre
(Visually Impaired)

Why Life Skills Matter

For visually impaired students, everyday skills like cooking help build:

- Self-reliance
- Confidence
- Independent living



SHIV JAYANTI CELEBRATIONS ACROSS CAMPUSES

Students across Deepstambh Manobal campuses celebrated Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti on February 19, 2026 with enthusiasm.



Students presenting fort models during the Fort-Making Competition at Jalgaon.

Cultural performances and historical presentations by student groups, Jalgaon.



Floral tribute and Powada performances at New Maharashtra Sadan, Delhi.

The celebrations helped students deepen their connection with history, leadership, and cultural pride.



LEARNING BEYOND CLASSROOMS

Educational Tours that Build Confidence and Perspective

Experiential learning is an essential part of the Manobal residential program. Educational tours provide students the opportunity to explore new environments, interact socially, and learn through real-world experiences.

Shegaon Educational Tour

Students visited Shri Sant Gajanan Maharaj Temple, Shegaon, along with Mauli Water Park and nearby locations.

A total of 120 students and staff members participated in the tour.

Students also learned about the functioning of various systems at the water park, combining recreation with practical understanding.

“The tour helped us explore new places, interact with friends, and learn beyond the classroom.”

- Chaitali Paitwar (Orthopedically Challenged)

Alibaug – Mumbai Study Tour

Students travelled to Alibaug and Mumbai as part of a study tour designed to provide exposure to:

- Natural environments
- Public transport systems
- Historical sites
- Urban infrastructure

The tour was carefully planned to ensure inclusive participation and accessibility for students with disabilities.



VOICES FOR SOCIAL CHANGE

Public Awareness Lecture by Yajurvendra Mahajan

Mr. Yajurvendra Mahajan, Founder of Deepstambh Foundation, delivered a public lecture at Gotkhindi in Walwa Taluka under the “Chala Gaav Ghadvu Ya” movement as part of the Saad Manuskichi lecture series.

Speaking for over two hours, he highlighted the importance of **inclusive education, social responsibility, and bringing marginalized communities into the mainstream.**

His speech, delivered in local dialects, deeply connected with the audience and received an enthusiastic response.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND VISITS

Deepstambh Manobal campuses regularly welcome mentors, professionals, and supporters who interact with students and strengthen the ecosystem of inclusive education.

We are grateful to the many individuals and institutions who visited and supported our work this month. A special mention to district judge Neeraja to Delhi Campus.

- Mr. Avdhut Nadkarni
- Ms. Rajani Singh
- Mr. Javed Mahajan and Team
- Mr. Vilas Shinde – Founder, Sahyadri Farms, Nashik
- Mr. Popatrao Pawar – Padma Shri Awardee & Adarsh Sarpanch, Hiware Bazar
- Mr. Ankit Patil – Indian Revenue Service (IRS)
- Ms. Darshana Chandwani and Family
- Mr. Nitin Sawant – Regional Transport Officer (RTO), Jalgaon
- Dr. Suvarna Newalkar & Dr. Makrand Newalkar
- Ms. Pratibha Jawdekar and Team
- Dr. Soham Rasol & Dr. Nishigandha Rasol – Mumbai
- Kendriya Vidyalaya, Bhusawal – 400+ Students and Staff
- Mr. M. K. Satya– President of Deepstambh Foundation USA Incorporation. Mr. Prashant

Deshpande – Board Member of Deepstambh Foundation with family

- Ms. Sangita Sisodiya & Mr. Manoj Sisodiya
- Mr. Ajay Gawali – USA
- Mr. Dharmesh Gaur – Zonal Manager, ICICI Bank



DONATION OPTIONS FOR FOOD, RESIDENCE & TRAINING

- One day breakfast for all – Rs. 7,000
- One time meal for all – Rs. 21,000
- Recorder or mobile to visually impaired student – Rs. 21,000
- One Laptop for a visually impaired student – Rs. 60,000
- MPSC annual fees for a student – Rs. 50,000
- UPSC annual fees for a student – Rs. 1,00,000
- Banking, SSC etc. Courses fees for a student – Rs. 30,000
- Adopting one Child for one year (residential, meal & education expenses) – For Jalgaon Rs. 1,50,000 & For Pune Rs. 2,50,000.

To donate scan



You will get a receipt and 80G benefit for donation extended.

- ☑ You can donate meals, essentials, food, fruits, clothes, books to celebrate birthdays, marriages, of in fond remembrance of loved ones.
- ☑ The 13 Directors of the foundation do not take any remuneration. They extend donation to the foundation every year.

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