

# RC Deonar honours unsung heroes

## Team Rotary News

**N**ine professionals drawn from various fields were recognised by RC Deonar, RID 3141, with the 'Blue Ribbon Awards'. The awardees directly or indirectly contribute significantly to the society at large, and live by Rotary's motto, *Service Above Self*, said club member Vivek Khandelwal. The club hosted the eighth edition of Blue Ribbon Awards recently.

Rahul Shewale, member of parliament, was the chief guest and AKS member Rtn Kulbushan Jetly was the guest of honour. Club president Sudhir Mehta welcomed the delegates to the programme.



Rtn Kulbushan Jetly honours an awardee in the presence of club president Sudhir Mehta.

The award recipients include ophthalmologist Dr Manish V Sharma; Ganesh Chandolkar who is serving in the Solid Waste Management Department of the Bombay Municipal Corporation; Malan Anil Mhatre, a teacher in a municipal school; firefighter Shriram Shankar Parab is at the forefront putting out fires, delivering emergency medical care, and more than anything else, saving lives; Raju Tukaram Salunkhe, a police sub-inspector in the Anti Terrorist Cell; autorickshaw driver Padmanath Sukhadeo Gite who has saved people's lives in extreme crises; Kantilal

Vora, a fifth generation entrepreneur who runs a 50-year-old grocery shop; chartered accountant Ganesh Shanbhag; and animal welfare activist Bimlesh Navani.

Shewale recognised the club's service activities during the pandemic.

Club member Vishnu Kamat has been spearheading the Blue Ribbon Awards seamlessly since its inception and this year he was ably supported by Rotarians Shanmukha V, Tushar Gangoly, Capt Sekhar, Moksh Juneja and Vishal Dassani.

Club president-elect Vidhya Subramanian delivered the vote of thanks. ■



Rotarians with the Blue Ribbon Awardees