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# ROTI BANK SAMACHAR

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achieving our goal!  
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## **HARMONIZING FOR HUMANITY: BANSURI ORGANIZATION JOINS HANDS WITH ROTI BANK IN A MUSICAL FUNDRAISING EXTRAVAGANZA**

**In a poignant union of melody and mission, Bansuri, a revered musical institution, partnered with Roti Bank for a fundraising event dedicated to alleviating hunger and uplifting spirits through music's transformative power. Embracing the universal language of music, Bansuri wholeheartedly supported Roti Bank's noble cause.**

**The event, held at the prestigious Veer Savarkar Auditorium, attracted a diverse audience of compassionate donors and staunch Roti Bank advocates. Esteemed personalities including Mr. Vivek Phansalkar (DGP, Maharashtra) and renowned actor Mr. Boman Irani graced the occasion, with Boman's performance becoming a memorable highlight of the evening. Additionally, the event served as a platform to recognize and honor the dedicated team behind Roti Bank's tireless efforts, essential to their impactful work in communities.**

**The fusion of Bansuri's enchanting melodies with Roti Bank's humanitarian mission created an atmosphere brimming with empathy and solidarity. Attendees were not only treated to captivating musical performances but were also inspired to contribute generously towards Roti Bank's cause, reaffirming the belief in the collective strength of compassion and collaboration.**







## **ASHOK TOWER RESIDENTS' COMMITMENT TO ROTI BANK: A BEACON OF SUPPORT IN THE FIGHT AGAINST HUNGER**

Residents of Ashok Tower have emerged as steadfast allies of Roti Bank in their unwavering pursuit of a hunger-free India. Demonstrating a commendable spirit of compassion and solidarity, the residents have been actively contributing to Roti Bank's mission by generously donating dry ration every month, as well as on special occasions. At the forefront of these efforts are Mrs. Jayshree Kapil and Mrs. Sudarshan, residents of Ashok Tower, who have been instrumental in organizing regular ration collection drives.

In the month of February, residents of Ashok Tower extended their support to Roti Bank by visiting the kitchen facility not once, but twice. Led by Ms. Kapil and Ms. Sudarshan on the 8th and 19th respectively, these visits provided an invaluable opportunity for the residents to gain insight into the operations of Roti Bank and witness firsthand how meals are prepared in the kitchen.

During their visits, the residents observed the meticulous process of meal preparation and gained a deeper understanding of the vital role played by Roti Bank in addressing food insecurity. Moreover, they had the pleasure of indulging in the nutritious meals cooked in the Roti Bank kitchen, further strengthening their connection to the cause.

The dedication and active involvement of Ashok Tower residents exemplify the power of community-driven initiatives in effecting positive change.







## **YOUNG PHILANTHROPIST: 6TH GRADER ADVAIT GUPTA'S GENEROUS DONATION TO ROTI BANK**

**In a heartening display of empathy and altruism, Advait Gupta, a sixth-grade student and resident of Ashok Tower's D Wing, has proven that age is no barrier to making a difference in the lives of others. Advait collected a substantial sum of Rs. 16,500 and donated it to Roti Bank,**

**Advait's selfless act of kindness is a testament to the values instilled in him by his family and surroundings. His initiative not only showcases his compassion but also serves as an inspiration to others, demonstrating the profound impact that individuals, regardless of their age, can have on creating positive change in society. On February 26th, amidst applause and admiration from family, friends, and the community, Advait presented his generous donation to Roti Bank. His contribution will undoubtedly go a long way in supporting Roti Bank's mission of providing nutritious meals to those in need, reaffirming the importance of collective efforts in addressing issues of hunger and food insecurity.**

**Advait's exemplary act highlights the significance of nurturing a culture of giving and empathy from a young age. By channeling his resources towards a noble cause, he has not only made a tangible difference in the lives of others but has also set a powerful example for his peers and future generations to follow.**

**As we celebrate Advait's philanthropic gesture, let us be reminded of the impact that each individual can have in building a more compassionate and inclusive society. May his generosity inspire others to lend a helping hand and spread kindness wherever they go, ensuring a brighter and more hopeful future for all.**





## **COLLABORATING WITH THE TATA MUMBAI MARATHON**

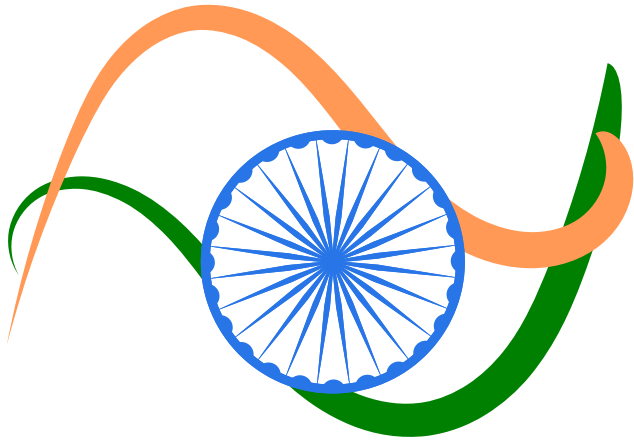
**The commencement of the 19th edition of the highly regarded Tata Mumbai Marathon (TMM), distinguished as Asia's premier running event, marked the early hours of January 21. A noteworthy turnout of nearly 59,000 participants eagerly laced up their running shoes to actively engage in this year's edition of the marathon, highlighting the enthusiasm and widespread popularity of the event.**

**Distance running takes a lot of effort and energy. Hence, to keep the runners energised by satiating their hunger pangs on-the-go, several snacks, energy bars and fruits are distributed to runners. These refreshments help runners strike the right chord and fuel up during and post the race.**

**In an admirable move to tackle the issue of potential wastage of unused and surplus snacks and fruits, the Mumbai Roti Bank collaborated with the Tata Mumbai Marathon. This collaborative initiative involved the systematic collection of nearly 11800 surplus refreshments, including energy bars, snacks, fruits, and juice. Subsequently, these collected items were redistributed with purpose and compassion, reaching out to thousands of underprivileged schoolchildren. This thoughtful and sustainable approach transformed what could have been mere excess into a valuable source of nourishment for those in need, exemplifying the spirit of social responsibility and community engagement.**







# CELEBRATING REPUBLIC DAY



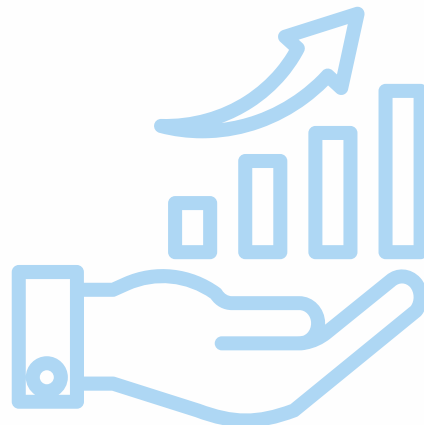
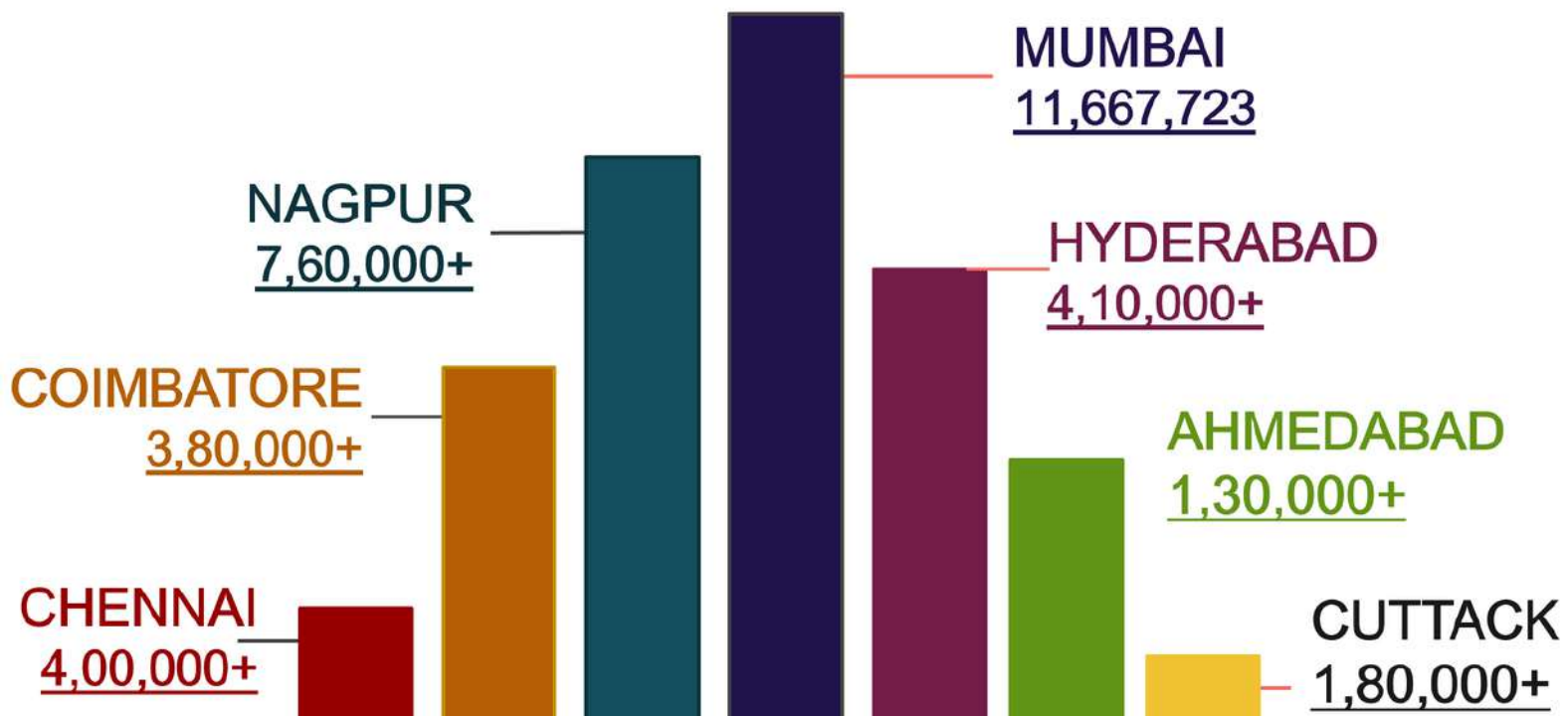
January 26th holds a special place in the heart of every Indian as it marks the historic day when India declared itself a Sovereign, Democratic, and Republic state, with the adoption of its Constitution in 1950. Dr. Rajendra Prasad's symbolic unfurling of the Indian National Flag and a salute of 21 guns marked the birth of the Indian Republic, an event that continues to be commemorated with reverence and pride every year.

On the 26th of January 2024, Roti Bank embarked on a mission to spread joy and happiness among the young minds of Mumbai by distributing chocolates and snacks to 10,000 school children across the city. In the hearts of Mumbai's school children, Republic Day will forever be synonymous with the warmth and generosity of Roti Bank, a reminder that the true spirit of patriotism lies in serving others and building a better tomorrow for all.

# OUR IMPACT

## 13,930,723+

Meals served across India



# JOIN OUR MISSION

## Donate Food

Roti Bank has a dedicated technically advanced kitchen which cooks meals to serve the regular beneficiaries. So, food donations in terms of dry food including ration, vegetables and fruits are of incredible help. The meals prepared by us ensure safety and hygiene standards, therefore call on +91 86555 80001 to donate food.

## Food Tie-ups

Organisations, Schools, Mess, Hospitals, Temples or Caterers who would like to donate food to Roti Bank on a regular basis could ally with us. This helps us feed a larger group of hungry people as we get fresh cooked meals which we can just distribute with our vehicles.

## Collaboration With Colleges/Schools

We intend to develop a network of zesty youth who share our values and will help in spreading our reach. As a student, you can donate your time to our cause. You may even join our VOLUNTEERING TEAM. If you are an engineering student, use your technical know-how to grow our operations as projects in your curriculum. We would like to tap the potential of existing and established student chapters and find synergies to work upon to make a #Hunger\_Free\_India

## Donate To The Cause

To make our movement of hunger elimination grow manifold, monetary backing is a boon. Roti Bank Founder, Mr. D. Sivanandhan envisions serving as many meals as possible in the year 2022. We have served more than 9.1+ million meals so far, and to increase our reach further more, we need a bigger fleet of vehicles and more personnel to handle the logistics. Your support can go a long way in enabling us to free many more people from the suffocating grip of hunger.

# JOIN OUR MISSION

## Spread The Word

In case you don't find an apt way to contribute from the above-mentioned ways then worry not, as you can still do your bit. If you believe in our cause as much as we do, please spread the word by sharing your personal story of food donation with the hashtag of **#HUNGER\_FREE\_INDIA, #ROTI\_BANK, #ROTI\_BANK\_MUMBAI, #ROTI\_BANK\_FDN** on your social media with as many people as you can. To kickstart your contribution **SHARE OUR NEWSLETTER** with your family & friends!

**We need all the help we can get.**

**To donate funds, use the following details:**

**Beneficiary Name:**

**Roti Foundation  
Mumbai**

**Account No:**

**303402127218**

**IFSC Code:**

**RATN0000088**

**Bank Name:**

**RBL Bank, Lower Parel**

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