

Roti Bank Samachar

The monthly newsletter of Roti Foundation Mumbai



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Cost of a nutritious meal for a child is

Rs. 40/-



We have served over **20,954,639+** meals and continue to fight hunger every day.

A Heartwarming Visit: Welcoming PCGT Interns for a Meaningful Experience

The **Public Concern for Governance Trust (PCGT)**, a Mumbai-based organization founded in April 2002 by visionary leaders Mr. B.G. Deshmukh, Mr. J.F. Ribeiro, and Dr. R.K. Anand, continues to inspire young minds toward civic engagement and social responsibility.

On April 25th, 2025, Mumbai Roti Bank had the pleasure of hosting 5 PCGT interns along with their coordinator at our kitchen facility. What started as an educational visit to understand our meal preparation and distribution process soon turned into a heartfelt experience of compassion, teamwork, and service.

At the distribution center, the interns actively participated in packaging and distributing meals, witnessing firsthand the impact of feeding the underprivileged. Their enthusiasm and empathy truly embodied the spirit of "The Joy of Giving." We are incredibly grateful to **Ms. Rashna and the PCGT team** for facilitating this visit, which not only deepened the interns' understanding of food security and community service but also strengthened the power of collaboration in building a hunger-free society.

Serving with Purpose: My Experience at Roti Bank



Yesterday, we had the privilege of visiting Roti Bank, an organization led by the renowned IPS officer, Ex-Commissioner of Mumbai, and currently Director of Public Concern for Government Trust, Shri D. Sivanandan. We were blessed to visit their kitchen located in Mahul, Chembur, which was initiated in 2017. Shri Sivanandan's vision to serve food to students and the needy stemmed from his understanding of the link between hunger and criminal activities in slums. Today, Roti Bank serves over 10,000 people across Mumbai daily. During our visit, we were impressed by the kitchen's organization and cleanliness. Operations Manager, Mr. Tambe ensured the smooth operation of the kitchen and warmly welcomed us. He personally guided us through the facility, showcasing the steam machine that cooks rice and dal for 500 people at a time. The roti-making machine was another highlight. We were amazed by the scale of their operations, with around 9,000 chapatis served daily. The most rewarding part of our visit was serving food near Kem Hospital to families of patients and some patients themselves. Witnessing the smiles on their faces and receiving their blessings was truly humbling. We pray for the continued success and happiness of the Roti Bank family as they carry out their noble work.

-Manish Pangati
PCGT Intern, April 2025



Corporate Kindness in Action: Vimo India Visits Our Kitchen

Since November 2023, **Vimo India Private Limited** has been a consistent and generous donor, playing a vital role in our mission to feed the hungry. With their unwavering support, we have been able to serve over 40,000 people across the city – a milestone that reflects the power of community and corporate responsibility coming together for a greater cause.

On 11th April 2025, we had the pleasure of welcoming the Vimo India team to our central kitchen, where they got a first-hand look at our daily operations and the heart behind every meal we prepare. Their visit continued to our distribution centre outside KEM Hospital, where they personally engaged in serving meals and connecting with the community. We are deeply grateful for their continued partnership and the warmth they bring to every plate served.





A Principal's Note of Thanks to Roti Foundation

"Many people say they want to help; fewer actually step up to do it. Thank you so much for being one of the few today. I express my gratitude towards your support and for your belief in doing good.

We simply couldn't do what we do without amazing people like you."

Being the principal of school, I appreciate your efforts for doing this much for our students in today's selfish and materialistic era. You are playing a crucial role in their lives, and we thank you for that. Keep up the excellent work. Once again thanks for bringing up smile on the faces of our lovely students. Roti Foundation has enhanced our student's interest in school. May hope that you will also support us and make our children faces look bright like sunshine in next session too. Thanking you.

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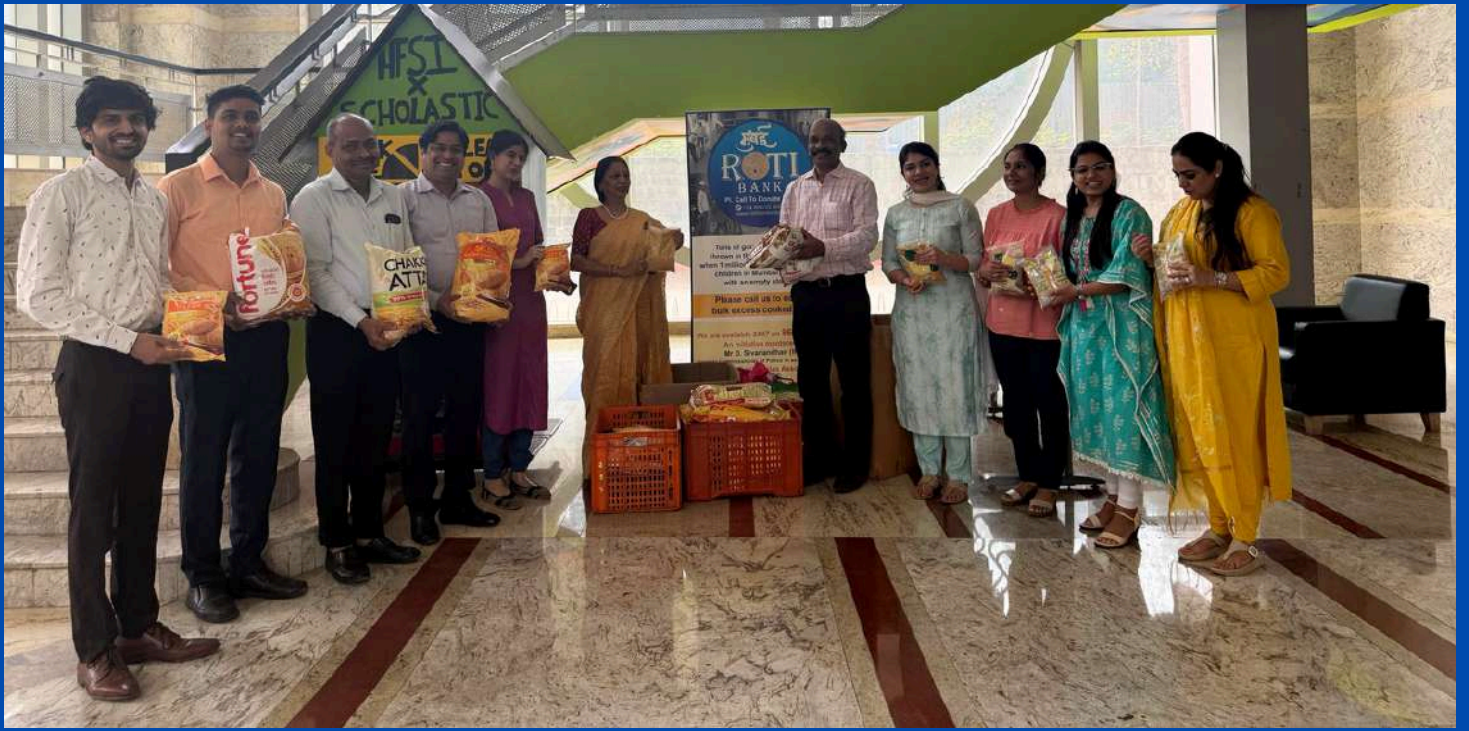


From the Classroom to the Community: HFS International at Roti Bank

The compassionate students of **HFS International** came forward with a heartfelt gesture – donating 203 kilograms of dry ration on 3rd April 2025. Their generous contribution has helped us feed many individuals in need, and it's heartening to see such empathy and awareness being nurtured at a young age. Acts like these remind us that true change begins when compassion meets action, especially when led by the youth.

On 11th April 2025, the students took their involvement a step further by visiting our central kitchen, where they learned how each meal is thoughtfully prepared with hygiene, care, and dedication. Later, they joined our team at the Karmaveer Bhaurao Patil School distribution centre, where they engaged with the children, shared warm smiles, and actively participated in distributing meals. Their presence brought not only food but also joy and human connection to the children – making it a day of learning, giving, and heartfelt memories for everyone.

We are especially grateful to **Mrs. Kalyani Patnaik, Principal and Head of School, and Ms. Sejal P, IBDP Coordinator**, for their enthusiastic support and seamless coordination in making this meaningful collaboration possible.



Young Hearts, Big Impact: Cathedral School's Weekly Roti Drive

On 29th May, our Operations Manager, Mr. Jayandrath Tambe, visited **The Cathedral and John Connon School** to engage with students and speak about the functioning of Mumbai Roti Bank. Every Tuesday, the students of Cathedral School generously bring more rotis than they need for lunch, contributing to a growing culture of sharing and empathy. These rotis are collected by Team Roti Bank and distributed to the underprivileged across the city. A dedicated collection box placed within the school premises now receives an impressive 450 rotis each Tuesday. Every interaction with these young minds leaves us inspired—their awareness and willingness to help those in need is heartening. We sincerely thank the teachers and staff of The Cathedral and John Connon School for instilling these values in their students and supporting our mission to fight hunger.





Building a Hunger-Free Tomorrow, Together

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our generous donors for their unwavering support towards Roti Bank's mission of eradicating hunger. In April 2025, the **Aurum Foundation** made a remarkable contribution of 2797 kgs of grains, while **Hill Spring International School** added 72.950 kgs of poha to our stocks. We are equally grateful to **Karshanbhai Ladharam Bhadra, Manilal Champshi Shah** for their donation of 86.5 kgs of poha. Special thanks to **Mrs. Gayatri Jain** for contributing 150 kgs of grains and **Mrs. Sheela Kumar** from Ashok Tower Parel, for her donation of 19 kgs.

We are grateful to **Shilpa Bhan and the Residents of Rustomjee Seasons, Bandra East**, for their generous donation of 300 kgs of ration on 30th April. Your support fuels our mission and brings hope to many. We are also deeply appreciative of the **Residents of Ashok Tower**, who collectively donated an impressive 550.7 kgs of ration. Your kindness and generosity ensure that thousands of needy individuals receive wholesome meals every day. Each donation, big or small, strengthens our resolve and enables us to move closer to a hunger-free society. Thank you for being a vital part of this journey and for believing in the power of sharing.



We extend our warmest wishes to **Ms. Jayshree Kapil on her birthday, 30th April. Her unwavering support and heartfelt encouragement have been a true source of strength and inspiration for us.**

Join Our Mission

Food Tie-Ups: Joining Forces to Fight Hunger with Roti Bank

If you are inspired to make a difference in the lives of the hungry, you can join hands with Roti Bank by donating food. By dialing +91 86555 80001, you can contribute dry food items such as ration, vegetables, and fruits. Your donation will help sustain the kitchen operations of Roti Bank, allowing them to continue serving meals to regular beneficiaries and making a positive impact in their lives. Together, we can work towards a hunger-free society.

Join the Food Revolution: Donate Dry Food to Roti Bank's Kitchen

We intend to develop a network of zestful 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

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If your establishment shares a passion for eradicating hunger and wishes to contribute on a regular basis, consider forming a food tie-up with Roti Bank. By aligning with Roti Bank, you can make a significant difference in the lives of the hungry and underserved. To initiate this alliance, reach out to Roti Bank and express your interest in becoming a food tie-up partner. Together, we can strengthen the fight against hunger and work towards building a world where no one goes to bed hungry.

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 coming decade. We have served more than 20.9 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.

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Spread the Word

If none of the mentioned options suit you, don't worry—you can still make a difference! Believe in our cause? Help us raise awareness by sharing your personal food donation story and tagging our handle. Spread the message on social media and reach as many people as possible. You can also jumpstart your contribution by sharing our newsletter with your family and friends. Don't forget to follow us on social media to stay updated on our journey:

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Together, let's work towards a hunger-free India!

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