



Kalyan Banerjee Gujarat, India

Kalyan, a member of Rotary since 1972, is Rotary's **101st President** and its third President from India. Kalyan believes that Rotary's strengths include its ability to attract leaders from different vocations around the world as well as its role in promoting peace. "My goal is for Rotary to become the preferred organization for today's generation to join and participate in to make the world better, safer and happier" he said. IN A RECENT INTERVIEW. "Rotary, it is said, has the strength of a government and the tenderness of a parent," he added.

Kalyan has served Rotary as a Director, Rotary Foundation Trustee, Committee and Task Force Chair, International Assembly Group Discussion Leader, President's Representative, and District Governor.

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Kalyan is a Major Donor, Benefactor, and Bequest Society member, and has been awarded the Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and its Distinguished Service Award.

Driven by Kalyan's vision, the Rotary Club of Vapi, through its Educational and Medical Trusts has transformed the social infrastructure of Vapi.

Kalyan is a **Director of United Phosphorous Limited**, the largest Indian agrochemical manufacturer, and Chair of United Phosphorous (Bangladesh) Limited. He is a member of the Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers and the American Chemical Society, a Past President of Vapi Industries Association, and former Chair of the Gujarat chapter of the Confederation of Indian Industry. He earned a degree in chemical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur.

Kalyan's wife, Binota, is a social worker and Inner Wheel club member. They have two children and four grandchildren