



VISION

To restore the gift of vision to every visually impaired human being, irrespective of nationality, religion or socio-economic status.



partners in eye health

Mission for Vision (MFV) is a not-for-profit organisation established in the year 2000 to eradicate avoidable blindness through the enablement of high quality, comprehensive and equitable eye care. It was founded on the basis that poverty is a cause and effect of visual and other disabilities that in-turn increase social divide. Eradicating avoidable blindness will enhance productivity, significantly impact on GDP and promote social and economic equity among nations. MFV today works in 20 Indian states with 34 of the most reputed eye hospitals in India and in 2019-20 made an impact on over 842,000 persons. Over the years, it has helped establish 15 state-of-the art community eye care centres in various parts of the country and enabled over 2.31 million cataract surgeries.



Caring Capitalism®

I firmly believe that it is our obligation to give a portion our resources to the communities in which we live and do business with. We have a responsibility beyond ourselves, to care for the social and environmental surroundings of our businesses. If the surrounding community is happy, healthy and secure, one is assured of a better tomorrow.

Jagdish M. Chanrai, Founder, Mission for Vision





CONTEXT

The correlation between blindness and poverty has been cited in many studies and publications. As per estimates from the World Health Organisation (WHO), 90% of all those affected by visual impairment live in the poorest countries of the world. Moreover, the recently published World report on vision by WHO found that there are 2.2 billion people around the world who have a vision impairment, of whom at least 1 billion have a vision impairment that could have been prevented or is **yet to be addressed**.

Mission for Vision's (MFV) efforts towards the **enablement** of high quality, comprehensive and equitable eye **health systems** pave the path to social and economic equality. In order to ensure a continued impact, MFV has initiated a number of programmes that offer a 360-degree impact and provide comprehensive eye care for all.

With the central focus on this 360-degree approach, this annual report features key achievements and interventions by Mission for Vision in the year 2019-20 towards eradication of preventable blindness.



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MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER

It is with great pleasure that I share with you Mission for Vision's annual report for 2019-20. It has been a successful year, taking us closer towards eradicating needless blindness.

We made our foray into the states of Bihar and Madhya Pradesh through the establishment of two new hospitals, the Lok Nayak Jay Prakash Eye Hospital in Gaya and the Sankara Eye Centre in Indore, respectively. In our endeavours to build Allied Ophthalmic Personnel (AOP) capacity in the country, we supported the establishment of residential and learning facilities for this important cadre at the Mithu Tulsi Chanrai campus, LV Prasad Eye Hospital, Bhubaneswar. We are very grateful for the partnership with Wen Giving Foundation towards these.

In partnership with 34 institutes, we enabled direct eye services to over 842,256 people among whom over 193,819 received surgeries at no cost to them.

We have scaled up our existing programmes and initiated new projects that focus on a holistic approach towards enabling eye-care and eliminating all forms of avoidable blindness. The 360-degree outlook has guided us to venture into various spheres of eye care that include strengthening of primary eye care and human resource development.

All of these were possible because of the invaluable support and commitment of our patrons, donors, partners and staff. I thank you all for your continued dedication to our core vision and values.

While we were ready to recount all our achievements in eye care by the end of a successful year, the world was faced with an unprecedented crisis in form of the COVID-19 pandemic. This situation has definitely brought about a disruptive change and uncertainty of what lies ahead.

As we adapt and prepare new ways of working with this paradigm shift, we are confident that our resilience and our deep-rooted philosophy of Caring Capitalism® will help us overcome this towards our vision of a world free of needless blindness.

With best regards,

Jagdish M. Chanrai

Founder, Mission for Vision

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

It has been a great year for us at Mission for Vision. Our efforts towards a world free of needless blindness gained further fillip with the brilliant announcement from Indian government's National Blindness and Visual Impairment Survey (2015-2019), highlighting the significant reduction in the prevalence of blindness in the country to 0.36%, taking India closer to its target of 0.25%.

Our endeavours towards universal health coverage led us to expand our programmes and reach out to remote corners of the country along with our partners. We commenced work in Madhya Pradesh and Bihar through the establishment of modern eye centres, enabled the establishment of 24 new Vision Centres towards sustainable primary eye health systems through our Mission Jyot programme and enabled better eye health to several thousand children and vulnerable groups such as truckers, drivers, carpenters and other communities. Our work was acknowledged in the World Bank publication "Looking Ahead: Visual Impairment and School Eye Health Programs".

In our efforts to prevent blindness early on and offer a 360-degree impact, our Mission Nayan initiative endeavours to prevent visual impairment due to Retinopathy of Prematurity among neonates. We continue to be inspired by the impact of our Mission Saksham programme that endeavours for the skilling and empowerment of youth, especially women, in primary eye health care.

The evidence generated from our impact studies continues to highlight the positive effects of eye health care on communities and demonstrates more effective ways of enabling services and strengthening systems. The impact of cataract surgery on mental health outcomes is particularly heartening to appreciate.

Last year, we also redeveloped our website to keep up with the changing landscape of technology. As a result, Mission for Vision now has an active blog section and we would encourage you to submit guest blog entries that will help us establish thought-leadership in the world of eye care.

The COVID-19 pandemic calls for resilience yet providing us with an opportunity to reimagine and reshape our agenda towards an integrated people-centred eye care approach, embedded in a strong primary health care foundation.

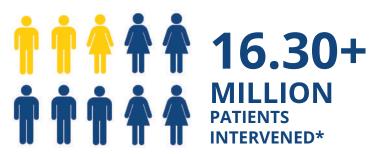
We are immensely grateful to our dedicated staff, founder, supportive board and patrons, incredible partners, and most valued donors.

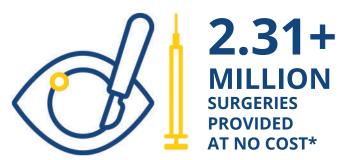
I remain indebted to our communities for their indomitable spirit and for the opportunity to serve them in our mission of eradicating needless blindness and promoting an inclusive world.

Elizabeth Kurian

Chief Executive Officer, Mission for Vision







140,564 School students intervened

Eye-surgeries conducted at no cost

193.819

842,256 Direct

eye-services enabled

24 Vision Centres established **IMPACT**

in Financial Year 2019-20

144

Truckers.

Bus drivers and

Skilled workers

Districts covered by our interventions

Low vision and blind students enrolled for maths

education

Neonates intervened (Retinopathy of Prematurity)

438

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AND NEW LAUNCHES



Launch of the Sankara Eye Centre, Indore

With the aim of providing comprehensive eye-care to communities in need, the Sankara Eye Centre was launched in Indore, Madhya Pradesh. The hospital was set up in collaboration with Wen Giving Foundation, Sankara Eye Foundation, Bajaj Group, Naraindas Morbai Budhrani Trust and Mission for Vision.



Inauguration of the Lok Nayak Jay Prakash Eye Hospital, Gaya

With the collaborative efforts of Wen Giving Foundation, Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra (NBJK) and Mission for Vision, the Lok Nayak Jay Prakash Eye Hospital was set up in the state of Bihar. The 40-bed modern secondary eye hospital will cover a population of 692,000 spanning regions of Gaya, Nawada and Jehanabad.



Launch of the Hall of Residence, Bhubaneshwar

In a move to strengthen the residential facilities, primarily for Allied Ophthalmic Personnel (AOP), L V Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI), Wen Giving Foundation and Mission for Vision came together to launch a Hall of Residence. The Hall of Residence/Hostel set up in LVPEI's Mithu Tulsi Chanrai Campus in Bhubaneshwar has a provision to accommodate 144 trainees.



A SIGHT OF HOPE

59-year old Mrs. Lakshmi (name changed) lives in Ladipanga village of Muniguda block. She and her husband graze other people's cattle. The family is extremely poor and they don't have any land or any other source of income. Lakshmi and her husband depend on the food which is given at the end of the day by the owners of the cattle which they graze. Their hut is partly broken and they can't afford to repair it.

Struggling in such conditions, Lakshmi started experiencing blurring of vision about three years back and it kept worsening since then. She gradually stopped going out of the house and lost all hope about getting her vision back.

A health worker visited their village and referred her to the eye care facility in Muniguda town. Lakshmi and her husband were worried about the costs for check-up and the required treatment thereafter, but they were assured that the screening and treatment will be provided free of cost. Lakshmi visited the Vision Centre in Muniguda. She was diagnosed with cataracts in both her eyes and was advised to undergo surgery. Lakshmi was taken to MFV's partner hospital LV Prasad Eye Institute's (LVPEI) secondary eye care centre and her right eye was operated on the next day. A week later, her left eye was operated as well. She was also provided transport facility back to her village.

Lakshmi's vision improved significantly after her surgery. She has regained her independence and is able to earn her daily bread by grazing the cattle. Lakshmi and her husband are quite happy and she says that the Vision Centre is a true blessing that has enabled her to live again.



AFV PROGRAMMES

Mission for Vision enables high-quality, comprehensive eye care to the most disadvantaged and underserved communities through its robust programmes that touches many lives and creates sustained impact across different demographics.



MISSION DISHA

A programme for heavy vehicle drivers, bus drivers and skilled workforce.



Good visual function is essential for healthy and independent day to day living, it is also vital for safe driving. Understanding the critical need for road safety, our Mission Disha initiative focuses on timely intervention to avert accidents and a lifetime of challenges for everyone on the road.

The **Mission Disha** programme that was initiated with the intention of providing eye services to heavy vehicle drivers such as truckers has now spread its radius to include bus drivers and skilled workforce, mainly carpenters. Over the year, the programme screened 8,900+ truckers, bus drivers and carpenters.

Through this programme, we conduct regular eye screening and individuals identified with refractive errors are provided spectacles at no cost and those in need of advanced treatment or surgical support are referred to higher tertiary care.

BETTER EYESIGHT FOR A SAFER TOMORROW

Mr. Rajesh Sawant (name changed) is employed as a bus conductor for the last 14 years in Mumbai's public bus transport system. The past few months had been quite challenging for Mr. Sawant, as he started experiencing issues with his eyesight. Due to his busy schedule and routine work, he did not have the time or energy to visit an eye-doctor. He somehow tried to adjust and continue with his work despite the poor vision. It was only when it started impacting his work, it became even more difficult. Mr. Sawant could not differentiate between different coins and passengers started to complain about incorrect change/coins being handed over to them. During the daily audit at the end of every shift, his colleagues started noticing the fare difference and Mr. Sawant had to pay the deficit amount out of his own pocket. This started impacting him financially and was a growing concern.

getting his life back to normalcy.



Around the month of September 2019, there was an eye check-up camp being conducted for bus drivers and conductors. Mr. Sawant got his eyes examined at one of the camps. Interestingly, when he walked in to the camp, he was already wearing spectacles. Despite the usage of spectacles, he was facing vision issues (visual acuity of 6/18 in both eyes). Post the screening and examination, the optometrist prescribed new spectacles, which would restore his vision back to normal. Mr. Sawant resumed work with his new pair of spectacles and has not heard of a single complaint from his bosses or from his passengers. All of this was made possible with a simple eye-test and change of spectacles. Mr. Sawant is quite happy with the positive results and is very grateful for restoring his vision and



MISSION JYOT

Offering comprehensive primary eye-care via the Vision Centre model.



Our **Mission Jyot** programme is aimed at establishing Vision Centres in remote parts of the country and encouraging people to seek care earlier, therefore preventing vision problems from worsening and enabling people to reintegrate into the workforce quicker.

These easily accessible and sustainable centres act as the first point of interface, of the population with comprehensive eye care services provided by a skilled eye care worker in a cost-effective manner.

Our Vision Centres are set up carefully in rural or underserved urban/semi-urban areas based on the need, accessibility and availability of existing services.

In a move to create sustainable impact, we decided to expand the programme and established 24 Vision Centres last year. By the end of March 2020, Mission for Vision enabled the establishment of 41 Vision Centres, 9 of which it implements itself, and has plans for establishing around 250 such centres over the next few years.

With the unprecedented times ahead in terms of COVID-19 pandemic, we believe the Vision Centre model holds great potential in enabling eye care to communities in need and eliminating needless blindness at the same time.



THE DO-GOODER OPTOMETRIST

We are all faced with challenges, struggles and hardships; be it financial, physical or social. What makes each one of us different is how we choose to react and break-even with the challenges. A similar inspiring story is of Ms. Snehal Jadhav who is an Optometrist at the Karjat – Kashele Vision Centre (VC).

Right from school days, Snehal Jadhav was a very bright student and she wanted to pursue a medical degree and had started preparing as well, but due to her family situation and responsibilities, she had to give up her dreams.

Though she could not pursue her medical degree, she was sure that she wanted to do a course which would help her serve the people and do good for the humanity. This was something she was not ready to negotiate.

After a lot of research, she decided to pursue a course in Optometry. She pursued her course from ITM, Navi Mumbai and now is a skilled and successful Optometrist at the Karjat VC.

Snehal feels content and is glad that she is able to make a difference in many lives through her present role at the VC. She also mentioned that the blessing she receives from the community is the best part of her job and she cannot compare it with any other materialistic achievements.



66 If you want to do good for the people, you need to work for the community and it should be 100% people centric and not for our own profit – Snehal Jadhav



ENABLING EMPOWERMENT

Ms. Rekha Machindra Mase is the supervisor who manages the health workers at the Karjat Vision Centre. She hails from a poor socio-economic stratum and had struggled through her childhood and teenage days for supporting herself and her family.

She weighs a lot of importance to education and believes that education not only provides knowledge but also enlightens and opens one's mind. Due to family and social issues, she got married before she completed her education. Thankfully, after marriage, her husband supported and encouraged her to complete her graduation.

Rekha is known for her strong rapport and hold with the community; more so as she likes to talk to people and guide them. Stepping into eye care was something new for her and she says she really enjoys what she is doing. People listen to her and look up to her as a friend, guide, counsellor and role model when she narrates her story. She feels that she is acting as a bridge between the project and community and is able to connect with the people by directing them to the right place for their betterment and future. She wants her children to become doctors and serve the community and seeks your blessings and good wishes for the same.





66 You cannot work for the people without understanding their needs and problems. It is important you build a strong relationship with the community and offer genuine support wherever required. – Rekha Machindra Mase



MISSION ROSHNI

An initiative focused on eye health for school children.



With the understanding that blindness and visual impairment can limit a child's learning experience, our Mission Roshni programme focuses on eye-health interventions among school children. Through this programme, we conduct eye screening camps, enable treatment, and raise awareness on the issue among school children in government and government-aided schools. The initiative also trains parents and teachers on eye health-related matters, spectacle usage, and compliance, thereby addressing the issue holistically.

In our experience, the main cause of visual impairment is an uncorrected refractive error. To address this issue, we offer a pair of child-friendly glasses and colorful frames that ensure greater uptake and regular use of these spectacles. In one of our impact studies conducted 3 months after the provision of spectacles, a 94% compliance rate was found in children.

Through this programme, our aim is to reduce inequalities and improve future livelihood and social opportunities. Overall, the programme has helped in bringing about an improvement in the quality of life (91% of children interviewed during the impact assessment mentioned that they were able to see better with spectacles and 83% reported no difficulty in reading from the blackboard.)

Mission Roshni has made great strides and provided interventions for 140,564 students in the year 2019-20.

AN EYE FOR EDUCATION

Clouds of apprehension loomed over Indu (name changed), a 16-year-old girl from Devipada, Nashik as she was going to appear for her 10th standard board exams. Her family was completely ignorant of the fact that the exams were just indirect stress for her and the primary cause of her worry was her deteriorating vision in both eyes (Right: 6/12 and left 6/9). Due to this reason, Indu could neither see properly nor study and in addition, she suffered from repeated headaches and pain in eyes. She somehow managed to get her homework done from her friend, but this was just a temporary escape plan.

Being the eldest daughter of the family and a mother-like figure to her 3 younger siblings, she suppressed all her needs in order to provide the best of amenities for her siblings. Her parents spent 6 months away from home as they worked as labourers in sugar-cane farms in Gujarat. Being away from their children for 6 months was the only way they could afford 2 meals for the family. In such tough circumstances, Indu had no option. She neither had money to go a doctor nor the courage to tell anyone.

Luckily, her plight was ready to be resolved with the arrival of an eye screening bus. The team from MFV's partner hospital - Tulsi Eye Hospital arrived from Nashik for conducting eye check-up. All students in her school were examined and some of them were provided with spectacles; so was Indu. The optometrist offered her a box filled with colourful frames to choose from. Her happiness reached the skies, as she learned that she would be provided this spectacle at no cost. With the use of spectacles, her vision improved significantly (6/6 in both eyes). When asked Indu, how does she feel now, she said,



66 I can now see better, read better and most importantly feel better.





MISSION NAYAN

Interventions focusing on Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) among neonates.



In our efforts to avert blindness in its earliest stages, we initiated the Mission Nayan programme that provides interventions for Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) for neonates from socio-economically challenged backgrounds at no cost to these families. Retinopathy of Prematurity is a blinding disorder caused by abnormal development of retinal blood vessels in premature neonates. Around 30% of the neonates in a neonatal intensive care units (NICU) can be affected with ROP and almost 10% of them can go completely blind if they don't reach an eye specialist within 30 days of birth and undergo laser treatment within 2 to 3 days of the diagnosis.

Premature children often require other medical treatments aside of ROP screening. With the mounting costs in treatment, ROP screening is often neglected either due to the additional costs or because of lack of awareness. Understanding the criticality of the situation, Mission for Vision launched the Mission Nayan project in September 2018. The Mission Nayan project is currently being implemented in Ahmednagar, Navi Mumbai, Satara, Jalgaon and Buldhana through our hospital partners H.V. Desai Eye Hospital and K.B. Haji Bachooali (KBHB) Charitable Ophthalmic and ENT Hospital. In order to ensure there is greater awareness on ROP, the project builds the capacity and skills of healthcare providers and frequently conducts awareness sessions for parents as well.



MISSION SAKSHAM

A programme for skill-development and training for Allied Ophthalmic Personnel (AOP).



The Mission Saksham programme enables training of several Allied Ophthalmic Personnel (AOP) candidates across India and also contributes towards building the manpower and resources towards delivery of comprehensive eye care. There is a huge deficiency of AOPs in India and this hampers the delivery of quality eye care services and the battle against treatable blindness. To address this issue, Mission Saksham has embarked on a journey to train 2000 Allied Ophthalmic Personnel. The free training courses are offered to candidates from socio-economically challenged communities and priority is given to female candidates. In addition to the course skills, this initiative also hones the soft skills of the candidates and builds their confidence.

A total of 158 candidates have enrolled for this programme at leading eye health institutions such as LV Prasad Eye Institute, Sankara Eye Foundation, Tejas Eye Hospital and Sri Sankaradeva Netralaya. In partnership with the Wen Giving Foundation, Mission for Vison is currently enabling training of several AOP candidates across India. With Wen Giving Foundation's commitment, we have been able to widen our reach; build the infrastructure; collaborate with leading institutions and create a long-lasting impact on the ground.



MISSION SHIKSHA

An initiative for maths education for blind and low-vision children.



Accessing quality higher education is a challenge for students with low-vision or incurable blindness. In addition, these students require specialised training methods and facilities. Due to poor maths teaching facilities for blind children, they often opt out of the subject or take up lower level of maths. As a result, they lose out while competing for entrance exams and other professional courses. Through the Mission Shiksha project, Mission for Vision focuses on rehabilitation and strengthening mathematical skills required for children with vision impairment. The Mission Shiksha is a collaborative effort with National Association for the Blind (NAB), India to promote inclusive education and reduce inequalities.

A total of 51 students enrolled for this programme last year and Mission for Vision supported them by way of providing dedicated teachers who enable children with visual impairment to pursue mathematics and stay within mainstream education. The students who have been a part of this programme have experienced dramatic change in their learning experience. All the 11 students passed their tenth standard board exams. Eight of them scored 60% and above and we had two students who scored 94% in their maths exam.



The FICCL-MFV partnership, which started with a single programme in 2015, has today spread across India with as many as 9 such holistic programmes. Our journey over the years has ensured that thousands of lives have been touched and benefitted from quality eye care services, which people can avail from the comfort of their homes. We set out on this path with the mission of improving vision care across regions, gender and age groups; and today, I can proudly say that we are closer to achieving that. Working with the MFV team gives us confidence of walking many more miles to serve our community.

Ms. Shilpa Desai GM-Head, Marketing & CSR, Fullerton India Credit Company Limited The active collaboration between Mission for Vision and Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya (SSN) has been instrumental in taking our eye care services to the rural populace of Assam at their doorsteps by adopting the motto of 'hub and spoke' and methodology of 'last man connectivity' in the area which means 'reaching out to unreached'. This partnership has given a fillip to comprehensive eye care in the state of Assam and the North East India

Dr. Harsha Bhattacharjee, *President, Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya*

as a whole.

PEELING THE LAYERS OF PRODUCTIVITY

49-year-old Mr. Rajendran (name changed) is a resident of Benkikere village in Davangere. He works as a coconut peeler and is also routinely involved in agricultural activities. Mr. Rajendran's village has no medical facilities and the villagers travel to the neighbouring town at a distance of 5 kms for their health check-up.



Mr. Rajendran was facing the issue of poor vision for the past one year but he did not take it seriously and continued to go about his daily routine of coconut peeling and agriculture work. However, over a span of few weeks he realised that it was not temporary and it was only getting from bad to worse. He visited a private hospital and they identified issues in his right eye. His vision in the right eye was 3/60 and the private hospital quoted him a fee of INR 18,000 (USD 245) for further treatment. Since he did not have that much money, he began speaking to his friends with a hope that he could borrow the money. During this process, one of his friends recommended him to go to Aralihalli village where MFV's partner hospital Sankara Eye Hospital, Shimoga was conducting an eye camp at no cost to the community members. He attended the camp conducted by the hospital and as advised by them; he underwent surgery. His surgery was successful and he started noticing the positive changes in his daily lifestyle. Before surgery he could peel only 700 to 800 coconuts per day. Post-surgery, he could peel up to 1000-1500 per day. His daily income rose from INR 500 (USD 6) to INR 1,000 (USD 13). He is very happy with this outcome and he thanked all the doctors, nurses, camp organisers and partners for helping restore his vision.

RESEARCH

Mission for Vision has been actively involved in primary research and identifying the gaps in delivery of primary eye-care services. We have leveraged MFV's technological innovation PRISM, an acronym for "Patient Related Impact Studying Mechanism" to gather valuable evidence on quality of life and other dimensions of eve health systems. With the help of PRISM data, we have been able to get actionable insights that help us shape effective eye health interventions for communities across India.

FURTHER GLIMPSE INTO OUR RESEARCH



Refractive errors and spectacle compliance amongst truckers in India

This research was conducted to assess the prevalence of refractive errors and other eye conditions among truckers. In addition, we also analysed the spectacle compliance among this group.



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TRUCKERS
PARTICIPATED



Prevalence of refractive errors was

43.4%

(95% CI 39.8% – 47.2%)

Prevalence of Myopia was

14% (95% CI 11.5% – 16.7%)

Hyperopia was

9.2% (95% CI 7.1% - 11.5%)

Astigmatism was

4.7% (95% CI 3.2% - 6.5%)

Presbyopia alone was

15.7% (95% CI 13.1% – 18.5%)

Spectacle compliance was at

51.2%

Impact of vision issues (cataract) on mental health

With the dearth of information on mental health issues among the visually impaired in India, MFV undertook this research to understand the linkage between vision issues such as cataract and mental health aspects such as depression and anxiety.



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ADULTS WITH
CATARACT PARTICIPATED



Prevalence of depression amongst adults with cataract

87.4% (95% CI 84.7% - 89.6%)

Prevalence of generalised anxiety amongst adults with cataract:

57.1% (95% CI 53.5% - 60.7%)

Prevalence of depression and generalised anxiety co-morbidity:

56.6% (95% CI 52.9% – 60.2%)

PROGRAMME IMPACT

Mission for Vision as a part of its mandate has been undertaking assessment activities at the partner hospitals and its project locations. The Programme Impact team at MFV has undertaken various studies in the last year to understand the effectiveness of its eye health programmes on the lives of the communities across India. We also conducted patient satisfaction surveys, camp and hospital assessments to ensure high quality service delivery for all.



BEFORE SURGERY 65%

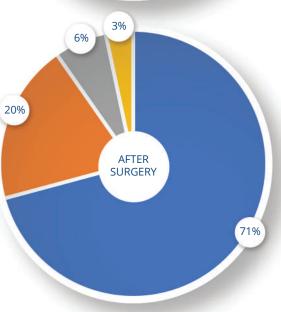
VISUAL ACUITY AFTER SURGERY

Very good 6/6 - 6/12 71%

Good < 6/12 - 6/18 20%

Borderline < 6/18 - 6/60 6%

Poor < 6/60 3%



IMPACT OF CATARACT SURGERY ON VISUAL OUTCOME

Cataract is one of the leading causes of blindness (66.2%)^[1] in the India in age group of 50 years and above. The quality of outcome of cataract surgery by an eye hospital is determined by visual acuity achieved post-surgery. As per WHO, a good quality outcome refers to 90% patients attaining good visual acuity (can see 6/6-6/18) with best correction^[2].

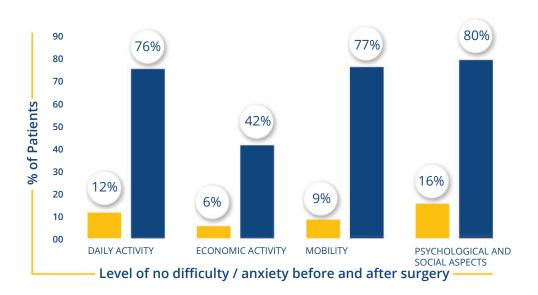
In India 83.9%^[1] patients above 50 years attained good visual acuity post cataract surgery. MFV partner hospitals achieved 91%^[1], which is above the national average and as per the WHO standards. Good visual acuity is divided in two categories 'Very Good' (can see 6/6-6/12) and 'Good' (cannot see 6/12 but can see 6/18). The national average for patients attaining 'Very Good' visual acuity is 73.4% and those attaining 'Good' visual acuity is 10.5%^[1]. This figure is 71% and 20% for Mission for Vision partner hospitals.

^[1] National Blindness & Visual Impairment Survey India 2015-2019 – A Summary Report

^[2] World Health Organization. Informal consultation on analysis of blindness prevention outcomes. Geneva: WHO; 1998.

IMPACT OF CATARACT SURGERY ON QUALITY OF LIFE

MFV studies the impact of eye health interventions among persons and their quality of life (QoL). We assess the impact of the surgery both from patients' perspective and from their family members' perspective. As per the WHO report, adults with vision impairment often have lower rates of workforce participation and productivity and higher rates of depression and anxiety than the general population. Through our study, we found that 77% patients reported improvement in mobility and 80% of them experienced improvement in terms of psychological and social aspects, thus implying improvement in productivity and mental health.

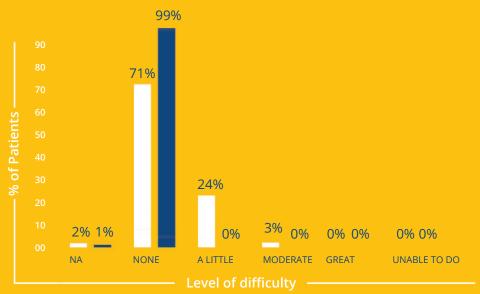




IMPACT OF REFRACTIVE ERROR CORRECTIONS ON ADULTS

During our QoL study, we ask a set of curated questions to understand the impact of our eye health interventions. Among the many study topics on daily activities, here is one of the assessments that analyses the impact of refractive error correction on watching television. We provided spectacles to individuals with refractive errors and studied their television watching experiences. 99% of respondents reported no difficulty in watching television when they started using the spectacles.

Difficulty in watching television



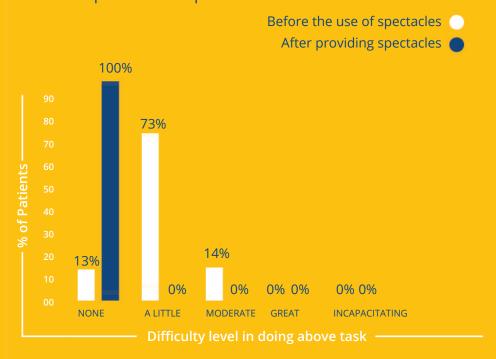
Before the use of spectacles

After providing spectacles



IMPACT OF REFRACTIVE ERROR CORRECTION ON SCHOOL CHILDREN

Among the many questions during our QoL study, we studied the quality of life of children with refractive errors based on their ability to take down notes from the blackboard while sitting on the first bench in class. We provided these children with spectacles and analysed the difference. Before the spectacles were provided, only 13% of students faced no difficulty in copying the notes, whereas 100% students reported no difficulties after the provision of spectacles.



Copying notes from the blackboard while sitting on the first bench in class



PATIENT CARE AND SATISFACTION STUDIES In order to understand the patient satisfaction levels, we undertook this survey. The adjacent diagram depicts the

In order to understand the patient satisfaction levels, we undertook this survey. The adjacent diagram depicts the number of patients interviewed and assessment visits undertaken to understand the satisfaction levels with the services received, the facilities availed and the quality at eye screening camps and hospitals.



OTHER STUDIES

We also interviewed patients in order to understand their post-operative self-care practices after cataract surgery; their knowledge, attitude and practice and other research related interviews. These studies help us gauge the common practices among these communities and also address any challenges and gaps in the programmes.



L V Prasad Eye Institute **Inaugurates Wen Giving Foundation Hall of Residence**

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Economic Analysis of Primary Eve Care Services Provided through Vision Centers in Eastern India

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40 Bed Modern Eye Hospital opened in Gaya

काझा में खुला ४० बेड का आधुनिक आंख अस्पताल



उद्घाटन समारोह में मंत्री डॉ प्रेम कमार को सम्मानित करते अस्पताल प्रबंधन के अध्यक्ष गिरजा सतीश एवं दार्थ विधायक अवधेश कुमार सिंह, सांसद विजय मांझी, विधान पार्श्व संजीव श्याम, पूर्व विधायक वीरेंद्र सिंह, बीटीएमसी के सदस्य झें अरविंद कुमार सिंह 🛭 जागरण

मांजी, विधायक अवधेश कमार सिंह ने संयुक्त रूप से किया। ऑस्ट्रेलिया के वेन इसे विधायक अवधेश कुमार सिंह, अजय कुमार झाँ आदि मौजूद थे।

संवाद सूत्र वज़ीरगंज : काझा में 40 बेड विधान पार्षद डॉक्टर संजीव श्याम, पूर्व का अत्याधनिक आंख अस्पताल शुरू विधायक वीरेंद्र सिंह, कमलेश वर्मा हो गया है। शनिवार को उद्घाटन कृषि पुलिजाबेथ, रसेल गिब्स, चौंग कुन सैन, मंत्री डॉ प्रेम कुमार, गया सांसद विजय नताली मुजीनिक ने संबोधित किया। सुबे में दूध उत्पादन क्षमता में होगी बढ़ोतरी ः मंत्री डॉ ग्रेम कुमार ने 10 एकड़ भूमि गिविंग फाउंडेशन और मंबर्ड के मिशन पर 89 लाख 31 हजार से इटावां भिंडस फॉर विजन के संयुक्त प्रयास से आंख के निकट दो लाख लीटर क्षमता वाली अस्पताल की स्थापना की गई है। इसका 🛮 डेयरी के लिए चहारदीवार का शिलान्यास नाम लोकनायक जयप्रकाश नारायण किया। कहा, बिहार को दुग्ध उत्पादन में जोडकर सेवाएं दी जाएंगी। अस्पताल वजीरगंज विधायक अवधेश कुमार के संस्थापक अध्यक्ष गिरिजा सतीश सिंह, मगध दुग्ध संघ के अध्यक्ष एवं सचिव सतीश गिरजा ने बताया कि जितेंद्र कुमार, पूर्व विधायक वीरेंद्र 40 बेड के इस अस्पताल में सरकार के सिंह, राजीव वर्मों, कौशलेंद्र कमार स्वास्थ्य निवमों का पालन किया जाएगा। सिंह, मनोज कुमार, कृष्णा यादव,

Vision Centre launched in Bijanbari to offer primary eye care services to all

ग्रेटर आइ हॉस्पिटल ने सेवा क्षेत्र में जोड़ा और एक नया आयाम

- प्राइमरी आई केयर विजन सेंटर
- ऑस्ट्रेलिया की संस्था ' मिशन कॉर विजन' ने भी किया सहयोग

रिश्लीगुडी, अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर की गैर-सरकारी सामाजिक संस्था लावंस क्लब ऑफ सिलीगुड़ी ग्रेटर द्वारा संचालित सिलीगुड़ी ग्रेटर लायंस आई हॉस्पिटल ने सेवा के क्षेत्र में और एक नया आयाम जोड़ते हुए रविवार को पहाड के विजनवाड़ी में प्रष्टमरी आई केयर विजन सेंटर खोल दिया. ग्रेटर लायंस भरपुर योगदान किया है.

सेंटर का उदघाटन मिशन फॉर जेके बंसल व संशील अग्रवाल ने जायेगा. संयक्त रूप से फीता काटकर किया.



ने कहा कि यह आई केयर विजन सेंटर के लिए ग्रेटर लायंस आई हॉस्पिटल खुलने से बिजनबाड़ी के लोगों को ही के साथ-साथ मिशन फॉर विजन व नहीं, बल्कि दार्जिलेंग जिले के अन्य खोला है, इस सेंटर को खोलने में मिलेगा, पहाड़ के दर्गम इलाकों में हरियाणा भवन की प्रबंधन कमेटी ने भी रहनेवाले लोग इस सेंटर में पहुंचकर अपनी आंखों का सही उपचार करवा सकेंगे. जिन मरीजों की आंखें गंभीर विजन की हेड प्रोग्राम डवलपमेंट रोग से पीड़ित होंगी उन्हें सिलीगुड़ी के में विजनवाड़ी के विशिष्ट व्यक्ति सवित्रा कुंडु और हरियाणा भवन के ग्रेटर लायंस आई हॉस्पिटल रेफर किया

उद्घाटन समारोह पर मौजूद हॉस्पिटल के चीफ एकजक्यूटिव बीडीओ कौशिक बनर्जी ने पहाड़ी ऑफिसर (सीईओ) डॉ राजेश सैनी क्षेत्र में इस सेवा कार्य को अंजाम देने

अग्निशमन केंद्र के कई अधिकारी कई पंचायत सदस्य, आइसीडीएस के प्रतिनिधयों के अलावा बडी संख्या भी मौजूद थे. लायंस क्लब ऑफ सिलीगुड़ी ग्रेटर के अध्यक्ष भरत चांगिया ने बताया कि सोमवार को इस मौके पर मौजूद ग्रेटर लायंस आइ बतौर अतिथि विजनवाड़ी प्रखंड के सिलीगुड़ी ग्रेटर लायंस आई हॉस्पिटल की और से धूपगुड़ी में भी प्राइमरी आई

ADVOCACY Team members from Mission for Vision (MFV) attended the 15th annual conference of "Vision 2020. The Right to Sight - India" held in Chennai. The conference was attended by more than 600 delegates from 18 states and 2 union territories across 115 organisations from India and around 250 oral presentations and plenary talks were delivered.

THE RIGHT TO SIGH



The MFV team presented 3 posters

- The MFV team delivered 9 oral presentations
- Ms. Sushami Pal (Liaison Officer, Mission for Vision) was felicitated with the award for "Best Oral Presentation" for one of her sessions.

EYE HEALTH HERO 2019

The Eye Health Heroes Award recognises and celebrates young and upcoming frontline staff or volunteers within the eye health sector. We are pleased to share that Pranjal Daimary (Field Supervisor - Programme Impact, Mission for Vision) was awarded the title of Eye Health Hero for his service to the community and valuable contributions towards universal eye care.

World Sight Day (WSD), observed annually on the second Thursday of October, is a global event meant to draw attention on blindness and vision impairment. The theme for WSD in 2019 was Vision First and Mission for Vision collaborated with partners and actively took part in various programmes that involved conducting eye-screening camps and generating greater awareness through videos and banners on this topic.

FUTURE PLANS

With eradication of avoidable blindness at the heart of all of our programmes, we plan to step up our efforts and enable high quality eye health care to around 9,00,000 vulnerable persons across 21 states of the country by next year. Our focus will be towards scaling two key programmes – Mission Jyot and Mission Saksham. We believe both these programmes have significant potential in strengthening our mission towards elimination of avoidable blindness and will also offer long term impact.

Our plan is to set up 250 Vision Centres across the country and train 2000 Allied Ophthalmic Personnel in the next few years.

Other exciting projects that have been set in motion is the establishment of a secondary eye hospital in Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh in partnership with Dr. Shroff Charity Eye Hospital and an operation theatre complex at Balasore, Odisha in collaboration with LV Prasad Eye Institute. Through these initiatives, we hope to strengthen our efforts towards providing comprehensive eye-care to communities in need and simultaneously eliminating avoidable blindness across India.



SCHEDULE - VIII

Jatin V. Dalal

Membership No. 124528

The Maharashtra Public Trusts Act, 1950 Name of the Public Trust: MISSION FOR VISION

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2020



Registration No. E 18696(MUMBAI)

FUNDS & LIABILITIES	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.	PROPERTY AND ASSETS	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
Trusts Funds or Corpus :- Balance as per last Balance Sheet Additions during the year	17,500 8,049	25,549	Immovable Properties :- Balance as per last Balance Sheet Additions during the year	-	
Other Earmarked Funds :- (Created under the provisions of the trust deed			Less: Sales during the year Depreciation for the year	-	-
or scheme or out of the Income) Depreciation Fund	-		Investments :-		-
Sinking Fund	-		Movable Properties :- (Annexure A)		
Reserve Fund Any other Fund	_	_	Balance as per last Balance Sheet Additions during the year	6,72,300 7,74,800	
Any other rund			Less: Sales during the year Add/Less: Profit/(Loss) on sale of Asset	7,74,800	
(6)			Less: Depreciation for the year	2,46,187	12,00,913
Loans (Secured or Unsecured) :- From Trustees From Others	-	-	Loans (Secured or Unsecured) : Good / doubtful Loans Scholarships Other Loans	-	
Liabilities :-			Other Loans	-	-
For Expenses	-		Advances :- (Annexure B)		
For Advances For Rent and Other Deposits	-		To Trustees To Employees	-	
For Sundry Credit Balances	-	-	To Contractors	-	
			To Lawyers To Others	- 2,97,083	2,97,083
			Income Outstanding :- Rent Accrued Interest	-	
			Other Income	-	-
Income and Expenditure Account :- Balance as per last Balance Sheet	91,01,324		Cash and Bank Balance :- (Annexure C) (a) (i) In Savings Bank Account (ii) In Fixed Deposit Account	98,29,747	
Less: Appropriation, if any	-		(ii) In Fixed Deposit Account (b) With the Trustee	1,91,88,042	
Add: Surplus as per Income and Expenditure A/c Balance Carried Forward	2,14,66,730	3,05,68,054	(c) With the Manager	77,818	2,90,95,607
Total		3,05,93,603	Total		3,05,93,603

 $As per our report of even date For Bhagwagar \, Dalal \, \& \, Doshi \, Chartered \, Accountants \, Firm \, Reg. \, No. \, 128093W$

Income Outstanding :
(If accounts are kept on cash basis)

Place: Mumbai

Date: 18 August 2020

Rent : Nil Interest : 70,286 Other Income : Nil Total Rs. : Nil The above Balance sheet to the best of my/our belief contains a true account of the funds and liabilities and of the property and assets of the Trust.

FOR MISSION FOR VISION

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Dr. Prakash Mirchandani

Place : Mumbai Dated : 18 August 2020

Mr. Sivaramakrishnan Subramonian

) Trustee

Note: The Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure account are an abstract of the Audited Financial Statements of Financial Year 2019-20.

The Annexures and Other Notes to the said Audited Financial Statements and reference thereof in the Balance Sheet & Income & Expenditure Account have not been printed in the Annual Report.

SCHEDULE - IX

The Maharashtra Public Trusts Act, 1950

Name of the Public Trust: MISSION FOR VISION

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ending 31 March 2020



Registration No. E 18696(MUMBAI)

EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.	INCOME	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
To Expenditure in respect of properties:-			(accrued)		
Rates, Taxes, Cesses	-		By Rent+		-
Repairs and maintenance	-		(realised)		
Salaries	-		(
Insurance Depreciation (by way of provision of adjustments)	_		(accrued) By Interest+		
Other Expenses		_	(realised)		
Other Expenses			On Securities	_	
To Establishment Expenses (Annexure D)		77,36,439	On Loans	_	
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To Remuneration to Trustees		-	On Savings Bank Account	8,87,543	14,85,392
To Remuneration (in the case of a math) to the head of		-			
the math, including his household expenditure, if any					
To Legal Expenses		52,096	By Donations in Cash or Kind (Annexure F)		23,81,32,552
To Audio Fore		1 10 000	D. Courte (Accesses C)		2.05.00.71.4
To Audit Fees		1,18,000	By Grants (Annexure G)		3,05,89,714
To Contribution and Fees			By Income from Other Sources (Annexure H)		
10 Contribution and Lees			- Net Surplus of Vision Centres		5,84,713
To Amount written off:			Net surplus of vision centres		3,04,713
(a) Bad Debts	_				
(b) Loan Scholarship	-				
(c) Irrecoverable Rents	-				
(d) Other Items		-			
To Miscellaneous Expenses		-			
T 5 (4 A)		0.44.407			
To Depreciation (Annexure A)		2,46,187			
To Amount transferred to Reserve or	_				
Specific Funds	_	_			
Specific Failus					
To Expenditure on Objects of the Trust					
(a) Religious	-				
(b) Educational	-				
(c) Medical Relief (Annexure E)	24,11,72,920				
(d) Relief of Poverty	-		By Transfer from Reserve Funds		-
(e) Other Charitable Objects	-	24,11,72,920			
To Surplus carried over to Balance Sheet		2,14,66,730			
T . I					
Total		27,07,92,371	Total		27,07,92,371

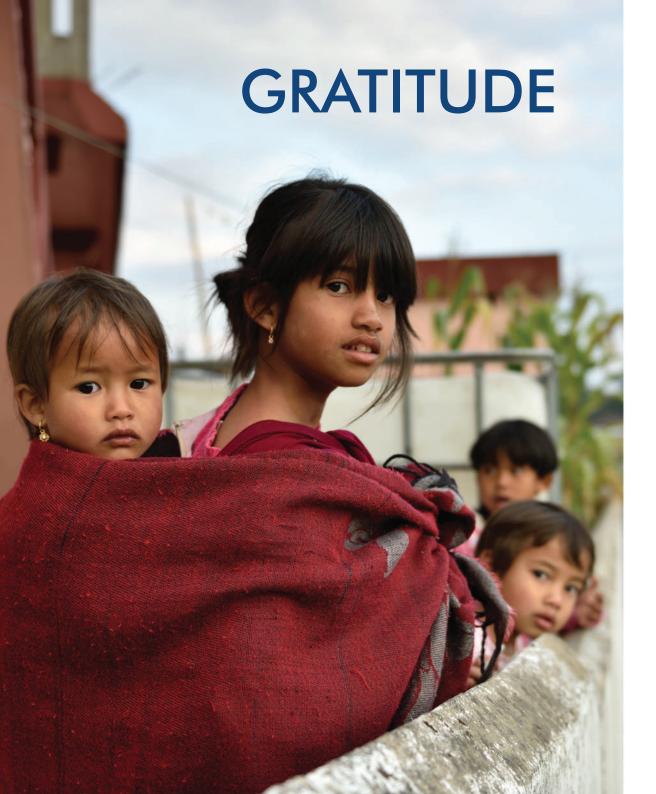
As per our report of even date For Bhagwagar Dalal & Doshi Chartered Accountants Firm Reg. No. 128093W

Jatin V. Dalal

Partner Place : Mumbai
Membership No. 124528 Place : 18 August 2020

FOR MISSION FOR VISION

Dr. Prakash Mirchandani Trustee Place : Mumbai Dated : 18 August 2020 Mr. Sivaramakrishnan Subramonian Trustee



MAJOR DONORS

- Bridgestone India Pvt Ltd.
- Cognizant Foundation
- Enpee Group
- Fullerton India Credit Company Ltd.
- Givaudan (India) Pvt. Ltd.
- Israni Investments Co Ltd.
- Mr. Jagdish M Chanrai
- Jaslok Hospital
- Kewalram Chanrai Group
- Naraindas Morbai Budhrani Trust (NMBT)
- SABIC India Pvt Ltd.
- Savitri Waney Charitable Foundation
- Seth Bhojraj Hassomal Charitable Trust
- Sightsavers/Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind
- Standard Chartered Bank
- Wen Giving Foundation

STRATEGIC PARTNERS

- International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB)
- Public Health Foundation of India
- Vision 2020: The Right to Sight India
- Optometry Council of India

TECHNICAL PARTNERS

- Aditya Jyot Foundation for Twinkling Little Eyes, Mumbai, Maharashtra
- C L Gupta Eye Institute, Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh
- Divyajyoti Trust, Mandvi, Gujarat
- Dr. Shroff's Charity Eye Hospital, New Delhi
- HV Desai Eye Hospital, Pune, Maharashtra
- KB Haji Bachooali Charitable Ophthalmic and ENT Hospital, Mumbai, Maharashtra
- Lotus College of Optometry, Mumbai, Maharashtra
- LV Prasad Eye Institute (4 centres)
- Bhubaneshwar, Odisha
- Brahmapur, Odisha
- Hyderabad, Telangana
- Rayagada, Odisha
- MGM Eye Institute, Raipur, Chhattisgarh
- National Association for the Blind India, Mumbai, Maharashtra
- Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra, Gaya, Bihar
- Nirmal Ashram Eye Institute, Rishikesh, Uttarakhand

TECHNICAL PARTNERS

- Ramakrishna Mission Hospital, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh
- Sankara Eye Foundation India (10 centres)
- Anand, Gujarat
- Bengaluru and Shimoga, Karnataka
- Coimbatore and Krishnankoil, Tamil Nadu
- Guntur, Andhra Pradesh
- Indore, Madhya Pradesh
- Jaipur, Rajasthan
- Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh
- Ludhiana, Punjab
- Sankara Nethralaya (3 centres)
- Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- Kolkata, West Bengal
- Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh
- Shija Eye Foundation, Imphal, Manipur
- Siliguri Greater Lions Eye Hospital,
 Siliguri, West Bengal
- Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya, Guwahati, Assam
- Society for Promotion of Eye Care and Sight (SPECS, a unit of Bansara Eye Care Centre), Shillong, Meghalaya
- Synod Hospital, Aizawl, Mizoram
- Tulsi Eye Hospital, Nashik Maharashtra

The ENPEE Group and Mission for Vision harbour the shared belief that restoration of sight promotes economic empowerment, thereby enabling a better quality of life and reducing poverty. Thanks to their unstinted support, we have been able to enable eye health interventions to 157,823 individuals and 37,474 people from marginalised communities were provided eye surgeries at no cost. The ENPEE group has supported MFV partner hospital units in Kanpur, Ludhiana, Jaipur and Bhubaneswar.

In addition to this, our partnership has also led to the establishment of Special Needs Vision Clinic at LV Prasad Eye Institute in Hyderabad that aims to provide comprehensive eye care services for children and adults with special needs. The clinic assesses their visual needs with customised tools; provides appropriate spectacle prescription; and utilises low vision devices and therapies that maximise their functional ability. Mission for Vision is highly grateful to ENPEE Group's continued support that provides impetus towards enabling high quality eye care to all vulnerable persons and collectively create a world free of needless blindness.

A SPECIAL THANKS

Congratulations to MFV for the outstanding work you have carried out to better the lives of those with impaired vision in marginalised communities. Through world class eyecare and surgeries together with your operating partners, MFV has set standards and benchmarks that are now being followed globally. The Enpee Group looks forward to a continued partnership to eradicate avoidable blindness throughout India.

Mr. Sanjay Kirpalani Chairman, Enpee Group Ltd.t





A SPECIAL THANKS

Wen Giving Foundation's commitment to eye health stems from their vast experience of working with organisations dedicated to curing preventable blindness among marginalised communities. Noticing the impact of restoring someone's vision on their life, their family and their community has inspired the foundation to support all levels of eye health.

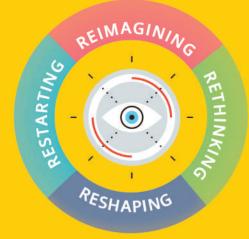
At the core of Wen Giving
Foundation's partnerships are 3
pillars: Drive; the will to get things
done, Compassion; the genuine love
towards the cause and project at
hand, and Intelligence; the skills and
conduct necessary for future growth
and sustainability. Mission for Vision
exemplifies the true meaning of a
partner and we are proud to work
with them on their mission to
eradicate avoidable blindness.

Mrs. Mei Wen,
Founder, Wen Giving Foundation

Thanks to the support of Wen Giving Foundation, we have been able to provide comprehensive services through state-of-the-art eye hospitals in Bihar and Madhya Pradesh. In addition, we have been able to train 158 allied ophthalmic personnel, where a majority of them were female candidates. Our partnership also led to the commencement of 7 Vision Centres in the states of Manipur, Odisha and West Bengal.

Mission for Vision would like to extend their deepest appreciation and gratitude for Wen Giving Foundation's generous support towards enabling high quality, comprehensive eye care services.

BUILDING RESILIENCE



Creating a World Free of Avoidable Blindness

Mission for Vision has a fresh website design!

Our website was redesigned and launched towards the end of last year. The website now features updated design layouts, content, resources and also has added a new blog section that features thought leadership pieces on eye health and more. Please do visit www.missionforvision.org.in and share your feedback and comments.







