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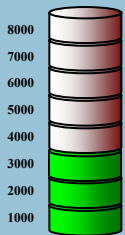


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The Vision of
KEHRC

*To promote quality of life
in rural communities
through providing afford-
able eye care services on a
sustainable basis.*



Planned Surgery
for the year 2011

7600

Achieved
36.34%

Let's join hand for the noble cause
And be a part of this achievement

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Raising Awareness for Eye Donation

On April 28th, Kalinga Eye Hospital, District Administration, Dhenkanal, Drushti Daan Eye Bank, Bhubaneswar, and L. V. Prasad Eye Institute, Bhubaneswar held a meeting at Gopabandhu town hall of Dhenkanal town to raise awareness of cornea donation among health workers and to educate them to promote cornea donation in their communities. 217 ASHA workers and Anganwadi workers attended the meeting. Meeting facilitators in-

cluded Prof. (Dr.) K. C. Padhy, President of Drushti Daan; Dr. Bishnu Charan Behera, Chief District Medical Officer; Dr. Sudharna Patra, District Program Manager for DBCS; Dr. (Col) Subhas Ch. Nanda from Kalinga Eye Hospital; and Biranchi Narayan Pani, President of the District Red Cross Society. Ginish S. N., Collector and District Magistrate, was the meeting's Guest of Honor and personally registered himself as a cornea donor at the meeting.

Also honored were family members of Dhenkanal's first two cornea donors. Rajendra Mallick, a donor's father, and Jaladhara Pradhan, a donor's grandson, were each congratulated and given mementos.



Girish S. N, Collector & District Magistrate, Dhenkanal while addressing the gathering during the meeting.

Let's Light a Life: Support Us

Kalinga Eye Hospital is internationally recognized for provided cutting-edge, high-quality care to Orissa's poorest residents. By providing free cataract surgeries to over 5000 patients annually, we bring light into the lives of children and adults throughout India's

poorest district. One of the most cost-effective global health interventions, cataract surgery gives patients new educational and economic opportunities, thereby boosting the local economy and helping to break the cycle of poverty. To continue this life-

changing and community-building work, we need your support. Only \$50 pays for a sight-restoring cataract surgery—please give now and restore someone's sight today. Together, we can build a brighter future for Orissa.



Volunteers from Unite For Sight, a USA-based NGO, sharing some moments with a cataract surgery patient at Kalinga Eye Hospital

84 people affected with Diabetes were treated with Laser Photocoagulation procedure, preserving their sight.



Teachers trained for eye screening of school children are being validated by the technical staff of Kalinga Eye Hospital, Dhenkanal.

Volunteering at Kalinga Eye Hospital

From April-June, 6 volunteers traveled to Dhenkanal to work with Kalinga Eye Hospital through the organization Unite for Sight. Volunteer projects this quarter have included research studies investigating patient eye drop usage and analyzing the economic profile of cataract surgery patients, improve-

ment of the hospital's website, computerizing data from village eye screenings, and investigating options for a switchover to an electronic medical records system. In addition to working on these projects, volunteers also participate in village eye camps and observe and record cataract surgeries.

The following people volunteered at Kalinga Eye Hospital during the months of April, May, and June: Alim Faridali Ramji, Rhonda M. Chinchilla, Kate McConnel, Sruthi Sakamuri, Bonnie Schmemzle, and Morgan Graves.

Eradicating Childhood Blindness: Monnet Power Company Ltd.

The status of paediatric eye care is poorer than adult eye care in Orissa. Considering the current situation of paediatric eye care, Monnet Power Limited, a corporate house based in Angul, partnered with Kalinga Eye

Hospital to organize two paediatric eye screening camps. On April 28th in Nisha and on May 12th in Malikamani, 207 children were screened by technicians from Kalinga Eye Hospital Vision Centre in Angul. 46

children were provided with medication, and 19 received glasses, all free of charge. These outreaches were the second phase of an initiative begun in January to organize eye screenings targeting children.

Visit from Supporting Scientist:

On June 1st, Dr. J. Madhusudana Rao, scientist and grandfather of one of the hospital's June volunteers visited Kalinga Eye Hospital and was impressed with both the selfless dedication of the hospital staff as

well as the cutting-edge quality of care provided. In a letter expressing his admiration, Dr. Rao commented that the services offered at Kalinga Eye Hospital are on par with those he received at a corporate

hospital during his own cataract surgery. Moved by what he saw on his tour, Dr. Rao generously donated Rs 5000 to Kalinga Eye Hospital to support what he termed its "noble cause."



Partnership with Klar Sehen Private Limited

On June 14th, Director A. K. Lahiri of pharmaceutical company named Klar Sehen visited Kalinga Eye Hospital to discuss the company's interest in extending partnership with the hospital. Mr. Lahiri was given a tour of the hospital facilities, and he expressed admiration for the hospital's provision of excellent services to

Orissa's neediest patients. To further this important work, Klar Sehen has committed to supporting Kalinga Eye Hospital in the areas of medications and educational awareness materials. An initial list of medications has already been compiled, and both organizations are looking forward to working together in this productive partnership

Klar Sehen Private Limited is a leading Indian manufacturer and supplier of pharmaceuticals. Established in 1976, Klar Sehen is based in Kolkata, West Bengal.

This quarter Indo American Friendship Foundation, U.S.A has supported for 5 Paediatric Sight Restoration Surgeries.



From the left Sarangadhar Samal, Director, Kalinga Eye Hospital with Mr. A K Lahiri, Director, Klar Sehen Private Limited, at Kalinga Eye Hospital

Expanding Horizons-LANCO Foundation

Kalinga Eye Hospital coordinated two village eye screening camps in collaboration with LANCO Foundation, the CSR arm of LANCO Group. A total of 379 people were screening in Kuranti on May 30th and Kharag-

prasad on June 2nd. 71 received refractive error corrective glasses, 277 received medication, and 36 people have undergone cataract surgery. All of the care was provided at no cost to the patients. LANCO Infratech

Limited is an Indian Engineering, Power, and Construction corporation. LANCO runs an associated foundation undertaking projects aligned with UN Millennium Development Goals

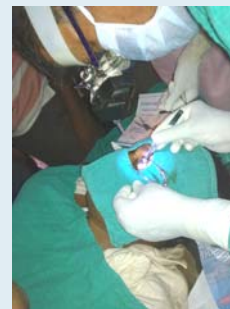
DIK Germany has supported for 391 cataract eye surgeries for the poor and underserved during the previous quarter of this calendar year

Lighting Two Other Lives

On May 14th, Kalinga Eye Hospital retrieved a pair of corneas from the third patient in Dhenkanal to donate corneas after death. The donor, Nabaghana Sahoo, Chairman of Hindol Block of Dhenkanal, died in a

road accident. Permission to collect the corneas was given by the donor's brother, Muralidhar Sahoo. The procedure was done at the District Headquarter Hospital in Dhenkanal with participation by Kalinga Eye

Hospital's technical staff. This was the third incident of cornea collection in Dhenkanal, after donations in January and March of 2011.



Dr. (Col) Subhas Chandra Nanda while retrieving the cornea of Late Sri Nabaghana Sahoo

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ACHIEVEMENTS (April- June 2011)

Sl No	Activities	In Nos
1	OPD in the Base Hospital	4124
2	Outreach screening camps conducted	46
3	OPD in those eye screening camps	1505
4	No of Free Adult Eye surgeries conducted	993
5	No of Paying Adult eye surgeries conducted	83
6	No of Paediatric Eye Surgeries conducted	9
7	Total surgeries conducted	1085
8	No of Corneas Retrieved	2
9	Children Screened	1307
10	OPD at the Vision Centre	610
11	Persons educated on eye care	1085

ORBIS Evaluates 5 Years at Kalinga Eye Hospital

In June 2011, ORBIS published an evaluation of Kalinga Eye Hospital's progress over the past five years. The 23-page report, entitled "Developing Institutional Capacity of Kalinga Eye Hospital and Research Centre," includes findings from a 7-day internal evaluation of the project launched in 2006 to increase the hospital's institutional capacity to deliver quality eye care to the people of central Orissa. The report also includes a three-year plan for continuing this project in the future. The evaluating team was led by ORBIS Asia Senior Advisor Abu Raihain, and other ORBIS leaders involved in the report were Larry Benjamin, Lene Overland, Samson Cheung, Lutful Husain, Golden Frankly, and Kate

Collins. ORBIS reported that Kalinga Eye Hospital has achieved "tremendous progress" over the past 5 years, especially in the areas of increasing adult cataract surgeries, establishing a paediatric service, and expanding its reach to new districts. The hospital met all but one of its original targets for the 5-year period, and it exceeded several. The Paediatric Centre, which opened on 5th March 2009, is very well-equipped and exceeds standards for secondary-level hospitals. Additionally, outreach screening numbers have been successfully boosted by collaboration with Mission Netrotsav, a government program with links to local schools. This has led to a dramatic increase in the number of children being screened for

eye diseases.

In addition to increasing its services and scope, Kalinga Eye Hospital continues to provide patients with high-quality care, as well as maintaining an organizational culture of excellence. A patient satisfaction survey showed that most were pleased with both their care and the explanations they received about their disease and proper treatment. They also expressed satisfaction with the general cleanliness and facilities, and 80% said they would strongly recommend this hospital to friends and relatives. Furthermore, the staff also reported high levels of satisfaction; they reported that they are well-equipped to carry out their activities, they are treated with respect by supervisors, and the hospital

has a friendly working environment.

The report praised Kalinga Eye Hospital's recent expansion Eye Hospital's recent expansion into more underserved areas, highlighting the three Vision Centres established in 2010 in Angul, Athgarh, and Bhuban. After visiting the centre in Angul, the evaluation team reported that it was well-stocked with medical equipment and a vast collection of spectacles. Overall, the evaluation reports strong progress over the past five years at Kalinga Eye Hospital. The report concludes, "The current strengths of KEH are its high tech medical equipment, its high volume adult cataract service delivery and an extended outreach program; this is an incredible development."

**Make a
Difference**
Let's Save Somebody's Light
DONATE NOW

According to the World Health Organization, 37 million people worldwide are blind — yet 28 million suffer needlessly. Their blindness could have been prevented or treated. Kalinga Eye Hospital is fighting against preventable blindness —let's join hands to eliminate blindness and transform lives.