



A Visionary Step Forward : Introducing Our Monthly Newsletter

In the ever-evolving landscape of healthcare, communication stands as the cornerstone of innovation and evolution. Today, we are thrilled to announce a new chapter in our journey of excellence at Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital with the launch of our monthly in-house newsletter - **Visionary Insights**.

With each edition, we will bring you the latest advancements in ophthalmology, breakthrough treatments, share inspiring stories of recovery and resilience, and offer insights into the tireless work of our dedicated staff. **Our Eye Hospital's monthly newsletter, promises to be your window to the world of ocular health.**

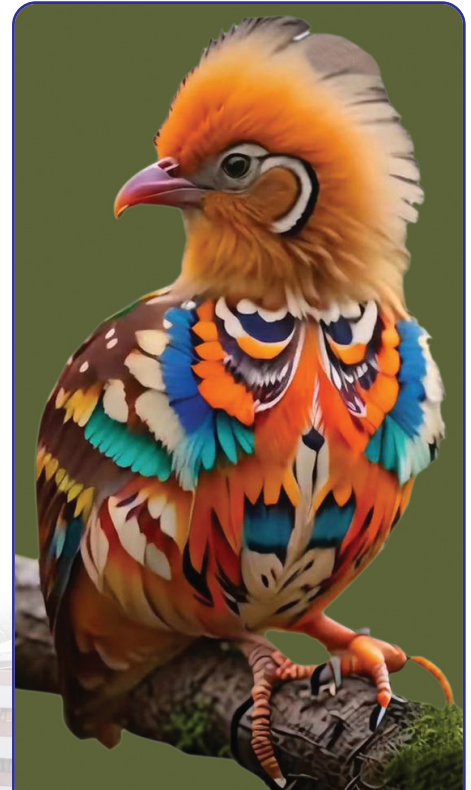
Our inaugural issue features an in-depth look at our state-of-the-art facilities, an exclusive interview with our renowned ophthalmologists, and tips for maintaining optimal eye health. We also delve into the inspiring stories of patients who have overcome their vision challenges, thanks to the dedication and

expertise of our medical team. This publication is a reflection of our enduring commitment to not just treat, but also educate and connect with our community.

As we embark on this new initiative, we invite you to join us in celebrating the spirit of innovation that defines Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital. We believe that through this newsletter, we can foster a community that's not only well-informed but also united in the pursuit of a brighter, clearer future for all. We will spotlight the incredible journeys of our patients and the innovations that are shaping the future of ophthalmology.

Together, let's look forward to a future where every pair of eyes meets the world with clarity and confidence. We welcome our esteemed doctors, HODs, staff to contribute to the newsletter in order to become a forum for discussion and advancement.


K RADHAKRISHNAN
General Manager
(Admn & Operations)



"A sharp-eyed sentinel of the skies, this beautiful bird stands as a testament to the keen vision and vibrant vitality"

Sankar Foundation crosses another milestone of 4.52 lakh EYE SURGERIES

Considered as a remarkable milestone, Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital has made significant strides in conducting a high volume of eye surgeries since inception. The hospital performed **4,52,240** eye surgeries and served **26,33,619** outpatients by end July 2024. The commitment to providing cost-effective services and expertise in various sub-specialties of eye care has contributed to the success. The hospital's approach to financial

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"From Last Hope to Clear Vision: The Sankar Foundation's Triumph in Sight Restoration"

In the serene corridors of Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital, a beacon of hope flickered for those veiled in darkness. Among them, a patient Krishna (name changed) whose eyes had long forgotten the vivid hues of life, clung to a sliver of hope. Cataracts had clouded his world, but the skilled hands of the hospital's surgeon were about to let the light back in.

Dr T Raveendra, a Director and an expert surgeon and his team successfully restored his vision, turning despair into joy in his life. As the patient lay there, the surgeon embarked on a meticulous procedure, their every move a testament to their commitment to excellence. The cataract was removed, and in its place, a **new lens was implanted**, a window to a world once lost but now found.

The patient was a bright and ambitious student who had a passion for learning. He dreamed of going to college for higher studies. He is younger child to his parents aged 20. However, his life took a drastic turn when he was diagnosed with cataract in both eyes since 5 years. His cataract was so severe that he could barely see anything beyond a few inches. He had to drop out

of college and rely on his parents for everything. He felt depressed and hopeless, as he saw his dreams fade away. Many doctors said that it is impossible to restore his vision. Due to financial crisis he used to visit government hospital. But none of the doctors gave hope for his vision. He could see clearly for the first time in years. He felt like he had a new life. He was able to resume his further studies. He was grateful to the hospital and the surgeon who gave him the opportunity to pursue his dreams.



The operation was a delicate dance of precision and care, a symphony of medical expertise that has been the hallmark of the hospital's success. With state-of-the-art equipment and operating theatres, the hospital has been a pioneer in restoring sight, turning despair into joy for countless individuals

The surgery was not just a success; it was a triumph, a testament to the hospital's mission of making the impossible possible. The patient, who had

come to the hospital as a last resort, left with a gift more precious than any other-the gift of sight.

In the aftermath, the hospital stood proud, its reputation further solidified by yet another life changed, another vision restored. The Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital had once again proven that with compassion, expertise, and unwavering dedication, the last hopes can indeed be transformed into a beautiful reality. The success of the Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital in cataract surgeries and its commitment to providing services to the needy at no cost is a story worth telling and celebrating. **Visionary Insights** congratulates Dr Raveendra and his team for the success.

Inputs: **Mrs M Padmavathi**,
Senior Manager (Patient Care)

Another milestone...

sustainability, which includes factors like facility, ambience, service delivery, and coverage for all segments of people, has also played a crucial role in their ability to conduct a high number of surgeries. The hospital is also NABH accredited, ensuring high standards of patient care and safety.

Visionary Insights appreciates the entire collective of the hospital for the stupendous show.

JULY'24 Performance at a Glance

Total Eye Surgeries	3371
Cataract Surgeries	2480
Retina Surgeries	117
Retina Injections	161
Glaucoma Surgeries	20
Cornea Surgeries	219
Pediatric Surgeries	08
Orbit & Oculoplasty	51
Total OP Screened	19,117

Our branches shine in Clinical Performance

Our Branches in the month of July'24, also performed very well by doing highest number of eye surgeries. Especially, our **Srikakulam Branch achieved a high number of 600 surgeries** during the month, the highest since its establishment.

The INOX Campus at Maddilapalem, Gajuwaka and Madhurawada branches extended quality eye care services to the community and performed **141, 34 & 15** eye surgeries including procedures respectively.

Our Community Outreach Department also made a great achievement by conducting 45 eye screening camps and performed 1176 surgeries thro eye camps in the North Coastal Districts of Andhra Pradesh.

NABH accreditation renewed to INOX Campus : Our INOX Campus at Maddilapalem underwent a mid term evaluation assessment by NABH and successfully attained renewal of its Accreditation by NABH. The certification ensures high standards of patient care and safety.

DO YOU KNOW?

Who is the blind & Billionaire CEO of India?

Visually Impaired CEO Who Built Million Dollar Company | Srikanth Bolla |

After being rejected by top Indian institutions due to his disability, Srikanth Bolla (born 7 July 1991) is an Indian industrialist and the founder Chairman of Bollant Industries. The Hyderabad based Bollant is a Paper Plate Manufacturer. Bollant earth-friendly Areca Leaf, Luxury Dinner Plates & Leaf based Dining Accessories.



He was the first international visually-impaired student in Management Science at the Sloan School of Management of Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in the US with 100 per cent financial aid. Bollant is into production of environment-friendly products while employing people with various abilities. He says **"Sight is for eyes, but Vision is for the Mind"**.

(Source: **TALRadio English**)

Which state has most blind people in India?

Uttar Pradesh with 15.6 lakh blind has the highest number of sight-disadvantaged persons in India followed by Delhi at 15.5 lakh, Andhra Pradesh at 10 lakh, West Bengal with 9.5 lakh, Karnataka has 9.3 lakh blind and Maharashtra has 9.1 lakh such people.

Which country has the most eye problems?

Myanmar, one of the countries with most vision problems, faces significant challenges with vision problems, including high rates of impairment and blindness, mainly due to cataracts.

(Source: **World Report on Vision by WHO**)

India's Struggle With Poor Eyesight

According to a report by the Times Of India, about 27.5 crore Indians, or nearly 23 per cent of the population, suffer from weakened eyesight, mostly caused by staring at computer/mobile Screens for too long.

Who is Father of Cataract Surgery?

The first true cataract extraction was performed in 1747 in Paris, by the French surgeon Jacques Daviel. His procedure was more effective than couching, with an overall success rate of 50%. (Source : National Institute of Health).

(Inputs : **K Bangar Raju, Dy General Manager (PR & Liaison)**)

LIC of India donates Modern Retina Equipment to Sankar Foundation



The Life Insurance Corporation of India has donated modern Retina equipment to Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital, Vepagunta, Visakhapatnam under their LIC Golden Jubilee Foundation initiative. Sri LK Shamsunder, Zonal Manager, LIC of India, South Central Zone, Hyderabad inaugurated the equipment in the presence of Sri Puneet Kumar, ZM, LIC, South Central Zone, Sri K Radhakrishnan, GM, Sankar Foundation and other LIC and Sankar Foundation officials on 4th July in the hospital premises.

The new facility called Spectral Domain Ocular Coherence Tomography (OCT) and a Fundus Camera was sponsored by LIC at a cost of Rs 45.50 lakhs to extend medical Retina services in the hospital.

The function took place in the august presence of Sri Krishna Kumar Atmakuri, Trustee. Sri K Radhakrishnan, GM, Sri V Ramesh Kumar, DGM, Sankar Foundation expressed their gratitude to LIC for sponsoring the equipment to the hospital. **Dr T Krishna**, HOD Retina Department explained the benefits of the equipment and its usefulness to the patients.

LIC officials Sri Uthup Joseph, Regional Manager, Sri Sarada

Prasad Dash, Senior Divisional manager, Sri P Rajsekhar, Marketing Manager, Sri NG Ravi, Manager, Sri B Venkata Kumar, AO, Senior Doctors and officials of Sankar Foundation were present on the occasion.

NABH Assessment Team inspects Sankar Foundation

An Assessment Team of National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers (NABH), a Constituent Board of Quality Council of India inspected Sankar Foundation on 29th and 30th June, 2024 for renewal of NABH Accreditation to the hospital.

The team thoroughly assessed all the clinical and non-clinical areas and interacted with doctors and employees for compliance of NABH standards of the eye care organization. NABH primarily focuses on patient safety and quality of healthcare. The assessment was concluded with minor observations for improving better services.



Warm Welcome to Health Minister

Sri Satya Kumar Yadav, Hon'ble Minister for Health, Family Welfare & Medical Education, GoAP is being welcomed by K Bangar Raju, Deputy General Manager (PR & Liaison) on behalf of Sankar Foundation on 15th July at Vizag Airport on his maiden visit. Sri Vishnukumar Raju, MLA Vizag North is seen.

Sankar Foundation Bags "Eye Health Champion" Award

Sankar Foundation has actively participated in the 18th Vision2020 The Right to Sight India Annual Conference held at CMC, Ludhiana from 5th to 7th July 2024. A team of 7 employees attended the two-day conference. Sri V Ramesh Kumar, DGM, Sri KV Venugopal, DGM, Mrs. Padmavathi, Sr Manager & Sri G Eswar Rao, Manager, Durgabhavani, Optometry Officer, Arun CEC dept. highlighted the performance and achievements of Sankar Foundation in the scientific sessions conducted under different topics during the conference. Sri N Appalaraju, Sr Manager, Community Eye Care has received the **"Eye Health Champion" Award** for promoting eye health in the community on behalf of the hospital.



The Dilemma of Choice : Tradition versus Modernity in Glaucoma Management

Understanding Glaucoma and Its Impact on Sight

Glaucoma is dangerous to eyesight because while beginning with the loss of side vision, it might advance to the loss of direct vision. Early discovery through detailed eye checks is crucial to manage the condition and prevent its progression.

Traditional Glaucoma Treatments : Benefits and Side Effects

Traditional treatments aim to reduce intraocular pressure through methods like medicated drops, oral drugs, laser, and conventional surgeries. On the surgical front, while lasers offer an outpatient solution, potential complications from conventional surgeries like Trabeculectomy include inflammation; conventional surgeries, though longer-lasting, carries higher risks like cataract formation and infection.



Dr Raveendra discussing various options for treatment with colleagues

Contemporary Approaches to Glaucoma Therapy: Risks Versus Rewards

Surgeries such as Goniectomy using the KDB Blade® and Microstents like the Glaukos Istent® offer faster healing and reduced risks compared to conventional techniques because of a Micro-invasive approach (MIGS, Micro-invasive Glaucoma Surgery).

Assessing Glaucoma Treatment Options : A Guide

When comparing treatment options like modern MIGS treatment options vs conventional surgery, factors to consider include invasiveness, precision, and potential for lasting results, balanced against risks common to all surgeries. Personal criteria such as glaucoma's type and stage, overall health, targeted intraocular



The dilemma of choice : When the danger is Glaucoma

pressure, treatment effectiveness, costs, lifestyle, with professional guidance should influence the decision-making process. Continuous monitoring and readiness to adjust treatments are also required.

Patient and Family Guidance: Balancing Preferences and Practicalities

Decision-making incorporates personal values, considering lifestyle compatibility and individual healthcare goals. Transparency about treatment preferences with both physicians and family members is pivotal. Additionally, we examine the cost implications and insurance coverage to support informed decisions in best longterm interests.

Author : Dr T Raveendra
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Raising Awareness : The Importance of Early Detection and Treatment of Amblyopia

(The Article is on the occasion of August an "Amblyopia Awareness Month")

In the world of eye health, amblyopia, commonly known as "lazy eye," is a condition that requires greater public awareness. Affecting about 2-3% of children worldwide, amblyopia is a leading cause of vision impairment in the young. Despite its prevalence, many parents and caregivers are unaware of its significance or the impact early treatment can have. This article aims to shed light on why recognizing and addressing amblyopia is crucial for ensuring the best possible visual outcomes for children.



Understanding Amblyopia: Amblyopia occurs when one eye fails to develop normal vision, typically due to a problem with how the brain and eye work together. This condition can result from several underlying issues, including significant differences in vision between the two eyes, strabismus (misalignment of the eyes), or conditions like cataracts. If left untreated, amblyopia can lead to permanent vision impairment in the affected eye.

The Critical Role of Early Detection: Early detection is key to effective treatment. The condition usually develops in early childhood, and its impact can be significant if not addressed promptly. Pediatricians and eye care professionals emphasize that vision screening should be an integral part of routine childhood health check-ups. Early diagnosis increases the likelihood of successful treatment and reduces the risk of long-term visual deficits.

Signs and Symptoms to Watch For: Parents and caregivers should be aware of potential signs of amblyopia. These include:

- 👉 Squinting or closing one eye frequently: This may indicate that the child is trying to compensate for poor vision in one eye. -
- 👉 Eye misalignment: Crossed eyes or eyes that appear to be pointing in different directions.
- 👉 Difficulty with depth perception: Struggling with tasks that require accurate spatial judgment.
- 👉 Complaints of blurred or distorted vision: Especially if the child reports problems seeing clearly or reading.

Effective Treatment Options: Treatment for amblyopia is most effective when started early. Options include:

Eye Patching: Covering the stronger eye to force the weaker eye to work harder. This is often combined with vision exercises.

Atropine Drops: Used to blur the vision in the stronger eye, which encourages the weaker eye to improve.

Corrective Lenses: Glasses or contact lenses may be prescribed to address refractive errors contributing to amblyopia.

The Impact of Untreated Amblyopia- If amblyopia is not treated during the critical period of visual development (usually before the age of 7 or 8), the condition can become permanent. This can lead to significant visual impairment, affecting a child's ability to perform everyday tasks, excel in school, and participate in sports and other activities.

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Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital offers full-time Paramedical Courses

Paramedical courses play a crucial role in the functioning of hospitals, providing essential support to ophthalmologists and enhancing patient care. These courses equip individuals with the necessary skills to assist in various ophthalmic procedures and manage patient care effectively.

The fellowship programmes give the comprehensive training in different ophthalmology subspecialties, emphasizing the hands-on experience gained through paramedical courses. This training is vital for managing complex procedures such as cataract surgeries, where even the delivery technique and postoperative care can significantly impact patient outcomes.

Paramedical courses are integral to the success of hospitals. They ensure that the supporting staff is well-versed in the latest techniques and practices, ultimately contributing to better surgical outcomes and patient satisfaction.

Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital (SFEH) is one of the India's best leading Super Speciality Tertiary Level eye care with 200 bedded hospital combines a rich experience with award-winning clinical excellence in order to serve our community as well as patients from Andhra Pradesh, Telangana State, Odisha State, Chhattisgarh State and across the nation as well Training innovative education center. Sankar Foundation has trained a number of Ophthalmologists and skilled Paramedics as par with National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers (NABH) and they have been working as full time

employees in SFEH, and other Hospitals and Clinics. These aspirants have found Great Job satisfaction and financial freedom.

SFEH is organising paramedical courses: 1. B.Sc. Optometry Degree, 2. Diploma in Ophthalmic Assistant (DOA), 3. Diploma in Optometry Technician (DOM) and 4. Diploma in Medical Sterilization Management & Operation Theatre Technician (DMST) which are **Recognised by Government of Andhra Pradesh**. We are deeply invested in-cultivating the next generation of hospital-based (Optometrists, refractionists, operation theatre personnel), health professional who make a profound impact on human health, locally and globally. As a student at our college, you will work hand-in-hand with lots of medical, paramedical professionals and join an ever-inquisitive community of social workers, who make strategic and meaningful connections between science, medicine, education, community and health care delivery for hundreds of eye patients and their families daily. We encourage our students to participate in collaborative projects and activities outside of the classroom. These activities enhance training to redo, repetition of practicals, help prepare you for leadership positions, build community, foster diversity, promote personal growth and lead to socially responsible human service contributions.

The demand for **skilled and trained paramedics** will continue to grow for the foreseeable future, ensuring that you're investing time into a profession that ultimately reaps significant rewards for your future. If this sounds like a career

you want to pursue, be sure to VISIT US click <http://bit.ly/2IjPLRt> to see which program is the best fit for you. And learn how to apply to your college program of choice. For Admissions please call us ph.no.9121005933.

Dr P Krishna Prasad

Prof & Head, Medical Education

Treatment of Amblyopia

Promoting Awareness and Education: Raising awareness about amblyopia is essential. Schools, pediatricians, and community health programs should advocate for routine eye screenings and educate parents about the signs and importance of early intervention. Additionally, integrating vision health into school curriculums and community outreach programs can help increase public knowledge and encourage proactive measures.

Amblyopia, while common, is a condition that can be effectively managed and treated with early intervention. By fostering awareness and encouraging routine vision screenings, we can significantly improve outcomes for children affected by this condition. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to be vigilant and seek professional advice if they suspect any vision issues. Early action can pave the way for a lifetime of healthy vision and improved quality of life for children.

For more information on amblyopia and vision health, consult with a pediatric ophthalmologist at Sankar foundation Eye Hospital, Naidutota, Visakhapatnam.

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THE Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has donated modern retina equipment to Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital in Vepagunta, Visakhapatnam, under their LIC Golden Jubilee Foundation initiative.

South Central zonal managers LK Shamsunder and Puneet Kumar inaugurated the equipment in the presence of Sankar Foundation general manager K Radhakrishnan and others on Thursday.

The new facility, called Spectral Domain Ocular Coherence Tomography (OCT) and a Fundus Camera, was sponsored by LIC at a cost of ₹45.50 lakh to enhance medical retina services at the hospital.

This equipment will enable the Sankar doctors to identify abnormalities in the retina with accurate diagnosis and management.

On the occasion, Shamsunder highlighted the services of the Sankar Foundation to the people of the region and expressed happiness in associating with the hospital. LIC has contributed to 750 projects across the country so far, the zonal manager mentioned.

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శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ అభివృద్ధికి సహకరించండి

నాయుడుతోట(వేపగుంట), మృగసింహుడే: నాయుడుతోట దరి శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ శ్రీసాయమాదవనగర్లో గల శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ కంటి ఆసుపత్రి అభివృద్ధికి ప్రభుత్వం మరియు సహకారం అందించాని రాష్ట్ర ఆరోగ్యశాఖ మంత్రి సత్తుకుమార్ యాదవ్ మంత్రి ఆసుపత్రి ప్రజా సంబంధాల అధికారి కె.బంగారాజు



ఆరోగ్య శాఖ మంత్రి సత్తుకుమార్కు అనుమతి వార్షిక నివేదికను అందజేస్తున్న బంగారాజు

గ్రామం కోడూరు. నగరానికి విస్తీర్ణమైన ముగ్గురి బంగారాజు విమానాశ్రయంలో కలిసి ఆసుపత్రి పరిస్థితిని వివరించి వార్షిక నివేదికను అందజేశారు. ఆసుపత్రి సందర్శనకు ఒకసారి రావాలని ముగ్గురి కోరారు. వరకలింపి తగు వర్కలు తీసుకుంటామని మంత్రి తెలిపినట్లు బంగారాజు పేర్కొన్నారు.

సాక్షి

కంటి శస్త్ర చికిత్సల్లో శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ ప్రగతి

డి.జే.ఎం బంగారాజు వెల్లడి

నింతకలం: ఈ ఏడాది ఏప్రిల్ నుంచి జూన్ వరకు శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ కంటి ఆసుపత్రి ఆశ్చర్యకర ఫలితాలను కనీ ప్రజలకు తెలియజేయాలని నిశ్చయించి ఆసుపత్రి డిప్యూటీ జనరల్ మేనేజర్ ఐం బంగారాజు బుధవారం ఒక ప్రకటనలో తెలిపారు. ఉత్తరాంధ్ర జిల్లాలో రాష్ట్రవ్యాప్త కంటి వైద్యులు అందిస్తున్న సాయంతో అలాగే శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ కంటి ఆసుపత్రిలో గడిచిన ఏప్రిల్ నుంచి జూన్ వరకు 8,898 కంటి శస్త్రచికిత్సలు చేపట్టిన పేర్కొన్నారు. అలాగే 50,558 మంది కంటి పరీక్షలు చేపట్టినందుకు జరిగిందన్నారు. రెటీనా, రెటీనా జంక్షన్, గ్లోమా, కార్క్యూ, పీడియాట్రిక్ కంటి వైద్యం, అల్టిమేట్ ఆప్టికల్ ప్లాస్టిక్ చికిత్సలు చేపట్టిన పేర్కొన్నారు.



బంగారాజు



శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ ఆసుపత్రి

ప్రగతి సాధించినదన్నారు. సాయంతో కంటి వైద్య సేవల్లో లాగాగా ఉత్తరాంధ్ర జిల్లాలో 130 ఉంది కంటి వైద్యుల కలిసి నిర్వహించడంతో పాటు 3,285 మంది కంటి శస్త్రచికిత్సలు చేసి వారి గుర్తు స్థిరమైన ఉందిగా నిర్దేశించిన వైద్యులు నిర్వహించిన శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ కంటి ఆసుపత్రి సత్తుకుమార్, అశ్వినికుమార్, విజయకుమార్, జనరల్ మేనేజర్ కె.రాధాకృష్ణన్ అధిపతులన్నారు.

ఈనాడు విశాఖపట్నం

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నాయుడుతోట(వేపగుంట), మృగసింహుడే: నాయుడుతోట దరి శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ కంటి ఆసుపత్రికి రూ. 45 లక్షలు విలువ చేసే ఓక్యులర్ కోహెరెన్స్ కంటి వైద్య పరికరాన్ని ఎల్.ఎస్. బహుకరించింది. పరికరాన్ని ఎల్.ఎస్. హైదరాబాద్, విశాఖ జోనల్ మేనేజర్లు ఎల్.కె.శ్యామ్ సుందర్, పునిత్ కుమార్ గురు వారం ప్రారంభించారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా శ్యామ్ సుందర్ మాట్లాడుతూ శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ పేదలకు చేస్తున్న సేవలను గుర్తించి తాము ఈ పరికరాన్ని బహుకరించామన్నారు. రెటీనా వ్యాధిని కచ్చితంగా నిర్ధారించడానికి ఈ పరికరం ఎంతగానో ఉపకరిస్తుందన్నారు. కార్యక్రమంలో ఆసుపత్రి ట్రస్టీ ఆత్మకూరి కృష్ణకుమార్, ఎం.డి. రాధాకృష్ణన్, ప్రజా సంబంధాల అధికారి కె.బంగారాజు, వైద్యులు, పలు విభాగాల అధికారులు పాల్గొన్నారు. అనంతరం ఎల్.ఎస్. అధికారులతో రోగులకు పండ్లు పంపిణీ చేయించారు.



వైద్య పరికరం ప్రారంభోత్సవంలో పాల్గొన్న ఎల్.ఎస్. జోనల్ అధికారులు ఎల్.కె.శ్యామ్ సుందర్, పునిత్ కుమార్ శంకర్ ఫౌండేషన్ వైద్యులు

Global facts on blindness and low vision
According to World Health Organization (WHO) estimates:

- Worldwide, 285 million people are visually impaired
- In addition, 2.6 billion people have myopia, including 312 million children under 19 years of age. Of these, 39 million people are blind
- 246 million people have low vision
- 146 million people living with diabetic retinopathy
- 76 million people living with glaucoma
- Up to 80% of all visual impairment is avoidable by prevention, treatment or cure
- About 90% of blind people live in low-income countries
- Globally, uncorrected refractive errors are the main cause of visual impairment, while cataracts remain the leading cause of blindness
- The number of people visually impaired from infectious diseases has greatly reduced in the last 20 years
- 65% of visually impaired people are over 50 years of age, although this age group comprises only 20% of the world population