

EDITORIAL INSIGHTS

VISIONARY INSIGHTS - A BEACON IN OPHTHALMOLOGY JOURNALISM

- ◆ Two National Awards Mark Two Years of Visionary Insights
- ◆ Setting the Benchmark in Professional Healthcare Communication

As **Visionary Insights**, the monthly in-house newsletter of Sankar Foundation completes two remarkable years, it stands tall as a pioneering voice in ophthalmology journalism. What began as a modest initiative in 2024 has now evolved into a nationally recognized platform, consistently delivering 24 timely issues that have enriched the medical fraternity with knowledge, innovation, and inspiration..

From its very beginning, Visionary Insights was conceived as more than a newsletter-it was imagined as a vibrant platform for ideas, perspectives, and knowledge-sharing, enriched by thought-provoking editorials. Publishing 24 consecutive issues without delay is no small achievement. It stands as a testament to the unwavering dedication of the Editor and Editorial Team, the trust of our contributors, and the enthusiasm of our readers who have illuminated this journey together.

The luminous journey has been adorned with prestigious accolades. In December 2024, the newsletter was honoured with a national award by the Public Relations Society of India, presented by **Sri Vijay Sharma, the Deputy Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh**.

A year later, in December 2025, it received yet another national award, this time conferred by **Sri Pushkar Singh Dhami, the Chief Minister of Uttarakhand**. These recognitions are not just trophies; they are affirmations of the newsletter's credibility, quality, and impact in the field of ophthalmology. Sankar Foundation earned these national awards competing against major corporates in both public and private sectors, underscoring its excellence in communications and innovation.



Uttarakhand Chief Minister intently reading the newsletter.

While reviewing the contents of the newsletter, **AI Gemini** remarked, "This is an impressive, professional-grade publication that skilfully balances clinical depth with community engagement, making it valuable for both medical staff and the general public. This widespread acclaim is mirrored in the digital space as well" it stated.

What sets Visionary Insights apart is its commitment to innovative storytelling. Each issue has spotlighted the latest developments in ophthalmology, weaving complex medical

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EDITOR

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Top Success

SANKAR FOUNDATION SETS HISTORIC RECORD: HIGHEST NUMBER OF 201 SURGERIES IN A SINGLE DAY

Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital, Naidutota, has etched its name in history by achieving a record-breaking milestone-performing the highest-ever number of 201 eye surgeries in a single day on 17th June 2026. This surpasses its own earlier record of 176 surgeries set on 10th June 2026, reaffirming the hospital's relentless pursuit of excellence in eye care delivery.

This extraordinary feat is a shining testament to the unwavering dedication, precision, and efficiency of the



A symbolic gesture of triumph and teamwork : **Sri A. Krishna Kumar, Managing Trustee & CEO, Sankar Foundation** with doctors to mark the occasion.

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CORPORATE SUPPORT: A PILLAR OF SANKAR FOUNDATION'S JOURNEY OF GROWTH

- ◆ We are grateful for the corporate support that enables our mission.

Over the years, corporates both Public and Private have played a pivotal role in strengthening the medical infrastructure of Sankar Foundation and in supporting our mission to combat avoidable blindness in rural/tribal communities. Their generous contributions have enabled us to organize comprehensive eye screening camps, reaching underserved populations and offering timely interventions that change lives.

Sankar Foundation stands tall today because of the unwavering support of corporates who have journeyed with us over the years. Their significant contributions have not only strengthened our medical infrastructure but have also empowered us to reach rural communities through comprehensive eye screening camps, tackling avoidable blindness at its roots. This steadfast partnership has taken the Foundation to **newer heights of service and impact**, reflecting the deep trust corporates have reposed in us.

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Performance at a Glance

Total Eye Surgeries : 5,19,676 Since Inception
Total Outpatients Screened : 30,18,527 Since Inception

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advancements into narratives that resonate with doctors and specialists. By focusing on cutting-edge research, breakthrough treatments, and evolving practices, the newsletter has become a trusted source of knowledge for the medical community. Its acclaim among doctors is a testament to the relevance and rigor of its content.

Beyond the medical fraternity, the newsletter has created a significant impact among eye hospitals, district officials, and regional stakeholders. Its visual design and engaging content have elevated it from a mere publication to a communication tool that bridges professionals, institutions, and policymakers. The visual delight, clarity of its design and the depth of its insights have made it a reference point for those seeking to understand and act upon the challenges in eye care.

Message from **Sri M. Ramdas, Chairman,** **Board of Trustees**



"It gives me immense pride to see Visionary Insights complete two successful years. The newsletter has consistently upheld the highest standards of ophthalmology journalism, earning national recognition for its innovative storytelling, impactful design, and timely publication. Its influence across hospitals and the medical fraternity reflects the dedication of the editorial team and the trust of our readers. I commend the Editor and Editorial Board for their unwavering commitment to excellence in communications."

Message from **Sri A. Krishna Kumar,** **Managing Trustee & CEO**



"Two years of Visionary Insights stand as a testament to our pursuit of communications excellence. Winning two national awards and earning acclaim among doctors and institutions highlight its vital role in advancing ophthalmology. The Editor and Editorial Board's dedication has created a lasting impact across hospitals, doctors, and regional stakeholders, setting a benchmark for professional healthcare communication. We take pride in this journey and look forward to achieving many more milestones together."

The success of Visionary Insights is not just about awards or recognition—it is about influence. It has fostered dialogue, encouraged collaboration, and inspired action. In doing so, it has proven that journalism in medicine is not confined to reporting facts; it is about shaping perspectives and driving change.

As we celebrate this milestone, the vision ahead is clear: to continue innovating, to expand reach, and to deepen impact. With its strong foundation, Visionary Insights is poised to remain a guiding light in ophthalmology journalism and in Healthcare Communication, illuminating paths for doctors, hospitals, and communities alike.

Thank you to our dedicated editorial board, our contributors, and our readers for being part of this luminous journey.

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hospital's doctors, OT staff, paramedical teams, outreach Personnel, Dr. NTR Vaidya Seva team, ArogyaMitras, Stores Department, and every member who contributed to this landmark achievement.

On this historic day, Sankar Foundation successfully carried out a remarkable total of 201 surgeries, showcasing both volume and variety across specialties like Phaco, glaucoma, cornea, retina, orbit, paediatric etc. and Phacos under Dr NTR Vaidya Seva of Govt of Andhra Pradesh.

Sri M. Ramdas, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, hailed this as a memorable achievement, commending the doctors and staff for their exemplary service.

At a special All Staff Meeting held 18th June, **Sri A. Krishna Kumar, Managing Trustee & CEO**, honoured and felicitated the doctors and supporting staff, praising their remarkable dedication and teamwork that brought prestigious laurels to the Foundation. The achievement served not only as a celebration of success but also as a powerful boost to team morale, inspiring continued excellence in patient care.

With 8 state-of-the-art Operation Theatres equipped with cutting-edge technology, Sankar Foundation continues to set new benchmarks in compassionate, quality eye care—proving once again that its commitment to service excellence knows no bounds.

OPTICAL DEPARTMENT SHINES WITH ESSILOR RECOGNITION

The Optical Management Department of Sankar Foundation has achieved a significant milestone by successfully attracting customers and selling Myopia Lenses on a large scale, thereby helping to control the progression of myopia among children.



The Optical team with the Certificate of Appreciation.

In recognition of this achievement, Essilor—the global leader in ophthalmic lenses and eyewear—presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Sankar Foundation for being a pioneer in building the STELLEST category in 2025. In their citation, Essilor stated: "We truly value your expertise and collaboration in building a strong & successful business."

Sri A. Krishna Kumar, Managing Trustee & CEO, congratulated the entire Optical team led by Sri G. Eswar Rao and Sri P Ramu, Senior Managers, for bringing laurels to the Foundation and enhancing its business growth.

**The face is a picture of the mind
with the eyes as its interpreter.**

SANKAR FOUNDATION: FROM MODEST START TO MONUMENTAL IMPACT

- ✦ **Sankar Foundation Celebrates Its Foundation Day**
- ✦ **Vision of Late Atmakuri Sankar Rao Realised**

- ✦ **Total Eye Surgeries Performed Since Inception was 5,19,676**
- ✦ **Total Out Patients screened nearly 30,18,527 Lakhs**

Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital proudly celebrated its **Foundation Day on 2nd June** with reverence and gratitude. The occasion began with the **garlanding of the statue of its visionary Founder, Late Sri Atmakuri Sankar Rao**, followed by heartfelt floral tributes from doctors and employees.

A Legacy of Compassion True to the noble spirit of serving the poor, underprivileged, and needy, Late Sri Atmakuri Sankar Rao-renowned philanthropist of Visakhapatnam-alongside his wife, Smt. Yesodha, Founder Trustee established Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital on **2nd June**



1997. Inaugurated by **Sadguru Sivanandamurthy**, the hospital began humbly in a two bedroom rented space with just 10 employees. Today, it stands tall as a beacon of hope, **powered by a dedicated team of 450 doctors and staff.**

Vision Restored, Lives Transformed Guided by unwavering values, Sri Sankar Rao and Smt. Yesodha devoted their lives to bringing quality eye care to those who could not afford it. His inspiring vision of "**giving sight to the sightless**" has been realized through the hospital's relentless service, restoring vision and transforming countless lives.

Late Sri K. Parvathi Kumar and Late Sri D.V. Subba Rao were instrumental in guiding the foundation to greater heights. The present Trust Board Chairman, Sri M. Ramdas, along with Managing Trustee and CEO, Sri A. Krishna Kumar, Trustees Prof. A. Prasanna Kumar and Sri A. Vijay Kumar, and the then CEO, Smt. K.B.N. Manimala, have all played a pivotal role in shaping the foundation's journey of excellence.



Atmakuri Krishna Kumar,
Managing Trustee & CEO
speaking on the occasion.

Message from Leadership Addressing the Heads of Departments, **Sri Atmakuri Krishna Kumar**, elder son of the Founder and Managing Trustee & CEO emphasized the importance of strengthening systems and working with dedication to scale new heights. He acknowledged the support of major corporates in enhancing medical infrastructure and advancing the mission to eliminate avoidable blindness in the region. He also congratulated employees for their tireless efforts in safeguarding patient well being and elevating the hospital's reputation.

**Your Vision is
Our Mission**

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Sri A. Krishna Kumar, Managing Trustee & CEO, emphasized: "The steadfast support of our corporate partners has been central to Sankar Foundation's growth. Their commitment enables us to extend our reach, elevate our services, and restore sight to countless lives. We deeply value this collaboration, which continues to inspire our mission of building a healthier, brighter future for all."



Sankar Foundation's collaboration with corporates is anchored on four powerful pillars: **CSR funding, Donations, Partnerships, and Volunteers.** These pillars are not just mechanisms of support - they are the driving forces that enable the Foundation to expand its impact, sustain its mission, and transform lives.

CSR Funding: Provides structured, long-term financial backing aligned with Corporate Social Responsibility goals.

- ◆ **Donations:** Fuel immediate needs and empower the Foundation to respond swiftly to community challenges.
- ◆ **Partnerships:** Build strategic alliances that amplify reach and create sustainable change.
- ◆ **Volunteers:** Bring human energy, compassion, and skills that breathe life into every initiative.

Together, these four pillars form the bedrock of Sankar Foundation's corporate collaboration model - a synergy of resources, relationships, and responsibility that ensures lasting social impact.

CSR funding at Sankar Foundation plays a vital role in expanding access to large-scale eye care services. Leading corporates-including **South Asia LPG Company, INOX Air Products, Brandix Bharat Trust, Pfizer Healthcare Ltd, NTPC Simhadri, Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL), GAIL, LIC of India, State Bank of India, AM/NS India, MSTC, Bharat Dynamics Ltd, Bank of India, L&T, AlufLOURIDE Ltd, Barzilai Foundation, Kanakamahalahaxmi Co-op Bank Ltd** among others-have contributed through equipment donations, outreach initiatives, and financial support. These collaborations have enabled tens of thousands of screenings, surgeries, and sight-restoring interventions across Andhra Pradesh and Odisha, transforming lives and strengthening community health.

Why CSR Matters for Sankar Foundation

- ◆ **Scalability:** CSR funding allows expansion of outreach programs into underserved areas.
- ❖ **Technology Access:** Donations of advanced medical equipment improve treatment quality.
- ❖ **Sustainability:** Long-term partnerships ensure continuity of services.
- ❖ **Human Impact:** Restoring vision transforms lives, enabling independence and productivity.

❖ Impact of CSR Funding

- ◆ **Eye Surgeries:** Over **5,19,676** lakh surgeries performed since inception.
- ◆ **Screenings:** More than **30,18,527** lakh outpatient screenings conducted.
- ◆ **Community Reach:** Active across 4 branches - Srikakulam, Madhuravada, Maddilapalem, Gajuwaka in Andhra Pradesh, extending services to rural and tribal populations.

Sankar Foundation remains profoundly grateful for the unwavering support and trust of our corporate partners. This partnership not only drives our mission forward but also strengthens the CSR brand image of corporates, reflecting their deep commitment to social good.

We reaffirm our pledge to uphold this trust with the highest ethical standards, ensuring that every initiative meaningfully advances the vision of eliminating avoidable blindness and empowering rural communities with better eye health.

Together, we continue to build on a legacy of compassion, responsibility, and shared vision-moving closer to a blindness-free society.

(Insights by **K. Bangar Raju**, Editor)

Your Sight is Our Priority

COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS



Partners in Progress of Sankar Foundation

YOUR PLATE DECIDES YOUR VISION

With age, eye problems like **cataracts** become increasingly common. In cataracts, the natural lens of the eye turns cloudy, leading to blurred vision. While age and genetics play a role, doctors stress that **diet and lifestyle choices** are equally powerful in protecting or harming your eyesight.

According to the **US National Institutes of Health**, people who consume diets high in sodium and fat face a greater risk of cataracts compared to those who eat balanced, nutrient-rich foods. Let's break down the eating habits that silently damage your eyes - and what you should avoid starting today.

Improve vision naturally by consuming fresh organic leafy greens and vegetables daily.



Processed and fried foods

- ❖ Fried chicken, chips, packaged snacks, and fast food are loaded with unhealthy fats.
- ❖ These fats trigger oxidative stress and inflammation, weakening proteins in the eye lens.
- ❖ **Result:** Gradual blurring of vision.
- ✓ **The Fix:** Replace these with fresh vegetables, whole grains, and lean proteins to protect eye cells.

Excess sugar

- ❖ Sugary drinks, soda, candy, pastries, and flavoured yogurt spike blood sugar.
- ❖ Long-term intake damages lens proteins, causing progressive vision loss.
- ❖ ✓ Swap with natural sweetness from fruits.

Red and processed meat

- ❖ Beef, sausage, hot dogs, and bacon increase oxidative stress.
- ❖ Saturated fats, preservatives, and chemicals harm both eye and heart health.
- ❖ ✓ Choose chicken, fish, lentils, or

plant-based proteins for better eye protection.

Excessive salt

- ❖ High-salt foods like canned soups, frozen dinners, deli meats, and salty snacks disrupt fluid balance.
- ❖ This imbalance affects the eye lens, leading to blurred vision.
- ❖ ? Opt for home-cooked meals with herbs and spices.

Refined foods and alcohol

- ❖ White bread, pasta, and pastries rapidly raise blood sugar, triggering harmful glycation.
- ❖ Excess alcohol dehydrates the body and increases oxidative stress, damaging the lens. ? Whole grains, adequate hydration, and moderate alcohol intake are safer choices.

Bottom line: Your eyes are not just affected by age or genetics - they are shaped daily by what you eat. By cutting down on processed, sugary, salty, and fatty foods, and replacing them with nutrient-rich alternatives, you can significantly lower your risk of cataracts and preserve clear vision for longer.

(Insights by **K Bangar Raju**, Editor)

HAPPENINGS

UNION CIVIL AVIATION MINISTER PRAISES SANKAR FOUNDATION'S SERVICE

Sri K. Rammohan Naidu, Union Minister for Civil Aviation, lauded the remarkable services of Sankar Foundation in combating avoidable blindness during his visit to the eye camp organized by the Foundation. The camp was held on the occasion of Revenue Day on 20th June 2026 at Bapuji Kalamandir, Srikakulam.



Sankar Foundation team with Union Civil Aviation Minister
Sri K. Rammohan Naidu

The Hon'ble Union Minister attended the Revenue Day celebrations as the Chief Guest. The event was also graced by Sri Swapnil Dinkar Pundkar, IAS, District

Collector and Magistrate of Srikakulam, Sri Farman Ahmad Khan, IAS, Joint Collector, along with senior officials from the Revenue Department.

At the camp, Dr. Bhavana from Sankar Foundation screened patients, supported by Sri Chandrasekhar (Manager), Sri Ravi Kumar (Srikakulam Branch In-charge), and other team members. A total of 80 patients were screened, and those requiring surgeries were advised to visit the hospital for further treatment.



Sankar Foundation team with District Collector
Sri Swapnil Dinkar Pundkar
at the Revenue Day celebrations.

CHODAVARAM MLA INAUGURATES EYE SCREENING CAMP



Sankar Foundation staff conducting patient screenings.

Sankar Foundation, in collaboration with the Anakapalle District Blindness Control Society (DBCS), organized a comprehensive eye screening camp at the Gram Panchayat office in Chodavaram on 4th June 2026. The initiative received an enthusiastic response from local villagers.

The camp was inaugurated by **Sri KSN Raju, MLA, Chodavaram**, who lauded the services of Sankar Foundation in combating avoidable blindness. He assured full support to strengthen the foundation's mission and encouraged it to expand outreach activities across villages in the district.

WHEN GENES SPEAK DIFFERENTLY: SIBLING CONTRAST IN LAURENCE-MOON-BIEDL SYNDROME

A Family's Rare Journey with LMBS

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Laurence-Moon-Biedl Syndrome/Bardet-Biedl Syndrome (LMBS/BBS) is a rare autosomal recessive ciliopathy marked by retinal dystrophy, obesity, polydactyly, cognitive impairment, and multisystem involvement. At the Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital, we encountered two siblings affected by this condition, while a third sibling born between them remained completely unaffected—an illustration of both the classic inheritance pattern and the variable expression of this disorder.

Clinical Features

- ✦ **Photographs:** Obesity and postaxial polydactyly of the hands and feet in both patients.
- ✦ **Imaging:** Fundus and OCT revealed characteristic retinal changes consistent with syndromic retinal dystrophy.

Case 1: Elder Sister (31 years)

- ✦ **Ocular findings:**
 - ❖ Severe visual loss, preceded by night blindness.
 - ❖ Best-corrected visual acuity: counting fingers at 0.5 m in both eyes.
 - ❖ Fundus: mild disc pallor, thread-like attenuated arterioles, foveal pigmentary changes, RPE mottling, few bony spicules in mid-periphery.
 - ❖ OCT: complete loss of external limiting membrane (ELM) and ellipsoid zone, with RPE irregularities.
- ✦ **Systemic findings:**
 - ❖ Obesity (BMI 30.36 kg/m²).
 - ❖ Postaxial polydactyly of hands and feet.
 - ❖ Slow, slurred speech and mild intellectual impairment.

Case 2: Younger Brother (24 years)

- ✦ **Ocular findings:**
 - ❖ Mild blurring of vision and night blindness.

- ❖ Visual acuity: 6/9 partial in both eyes.
- ❖ Fundus: large pale optic discs, attenuated arterioles, widespread RPE mottling across posterior pole and mid-periphery.
- ❖ OCT: diffuse ELM and ellipsoid zone loss, with focal foveal preservation explaining relatively preserved central vision.
- ✦ **Systemic findings:**
 - ❖ Obesity (BMI 32.81 kg/m²).
 - ❖ Postaxial polydactyly of hands and feet.
 - ❖ Slow, slurred speech and reduced intellectual functioning.

Key Observations

- ✦ Both siblings exhibited atypical retinitis pigmentosa-like degeneration, with prominent RPE mottling exceeding the extent of bony spicule pigmentation.
- ✦ The elder sibling showed more advanced retinal degeneration, consistent with age-related progression. The younger sibling

may experience similar deterioration over time.

Clinical Significance & Management

These cases highlight the critical importance of recognizing syndromic retinal dystrophies rather than diagnosing retinitis pigmentosa in isolation. The identification of BBS/LMBS must immediately prompt:

- ✦ **Systemic Evaluation:** Particularly comprehensive renal assessment, as renal failure is a major cause of morbidity.
- ✦ **Multidisciplinary Intervention:** Early collaborative care to manage long-term complications including obesity, metabolic syndrome, and endocrine dysfunction.
- ✦ **Ophthalmic & Supportive Care:** Utilization of low-vision aids, orientation and mobility training, speech therapy, and cognitive support to improve overall quality of life.

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CASE 1



CASE 2

**Your Future is Bright,
See it Clearly**

BEST EMPLOYEE AWARDS PRESENTED

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Sri A. Krishna Kumar,
Managing Trustee & CEO, Sankar Foundation
cutting a cake to mark the occasion in the
presence of doctors and supporting staff

As part of a proactive HR initiative to boost employee morale and enhance productivity, Sankar Foundation introduced the "Best Employee Awards" in April 2026 to recognize outstanding performance. Continuing this tradition, Sri A. Krishna Kumar, Managing Trustee & CEO, presented the May 2026 Best



Sri Sunkara Eswar Rao - Manager
(Patient Care), Main Hospital

Employee Awards at the all-staff meeting held on 18th June 2026 to the following employees:



Smt K. Sowndharya -
Junior Front Office, Gajuwaka Branch



Smt Rubina Digali - Staff Nurse,
Maddilapalem INOX Campus



Ms P. Neeraja - Executive, Counselling,
Srikakulam Branch



Smt K. Sandhya - OT, Madhurawada Branch

In addition, promotions were announced for:

- ❖ Smt. Girija Reddy - Junior Manager, Dr. N T R Vaidya Seva
- ❖ Ms Swarnamala - Assistant Manager, Pharmacy, Madhurawada Branch

The event was graced by Sri A. Vijay Kumar, Trustee; Dr. T. Raveendra, HOD, Glaucoma; Dr. Nasrin, HOD, Cornea; Dr. Krishna, HOD, Retina; Dr. N.J. Sirisha, HOD, Orbit; Dr. T. Suparna, HOD, Paediatrics; along with doctors, paramedical staff, and a large number of employees.

Speakers at the gathering congratulated the medical fraternity and supporting staff for their extraordinary achievement in conducting the highest number of surgeries in a single day. Heartfelt congratulations to all award winners and promoted employees for their dedication and excellence.

WHEN GENES SPEAK DIFFERENTLY.....

- ❖ **Genetic Counselling:** Essential for the family to understand the 25% recurrence risk for autosomal recessive inheritance and discuss future family planning.

Treatment and Prognosis

At present, **no definitive treatment exists for LMBS**. Care is directed toward:

- ❖ **Ophthalmic management:** Low-vision aids, orientation and mobility training, and regular monitoring of retinal degeneration.
- ❖ **Systemic management:** Addressing obesity through diet and lifestyle interventions, monitoring renal function, and managing associated endocrine or metabolic abnormalities.

- ❖ **Supportive therapies:** Speech therapy, cognitive support, and multidisciplinary care to improve quality of life.

- ❖ **Genetic counseling:** Essential for affected families to understand inheritance patterns, recurrence risks, and potential future interventions.

Conclusion: These cases underscore the importance of distinguishing syndromic retinal dystrophies from isolated retinitis pigmentosa. Early identification of LMBS facilitates systemic evaluation-particularly renal assessment-and enables timely multidisciplinary management. Careful clinical examination remains pivotal in establishing syndromic diagnoses and guiding holistic patient care.

**Love Yourself,
Love Your Eye Safety**

**Corporate
Support**

**Surgical Success Metrics
June 2026**

✦ Total Eye Surgeries	3,429
✦ Cataract Surgeries	2,446
✦ Retina Surgeries	96
✦ Retina Injections	169
✦ Glaucoma Surgeries	17
✦ Cornea Surgeries	1032
✦ Paediatrics Surgeries	14
✦ Orbit & Oculoplasty	300
✦ Total OP Screened	18,863

BRANCHES

✦ Srikakulam	
Eye Surgeries + Injections	502
✦ OP Screened	2,257
✦ Maddilapalem	
Eye Surgeries + Injections	110
✦ OP Screened	1,287
✦ Gajuwaka	
Eye Surgeries + Injections	44
✦ OP Screened	1,168
✦ Madhurawada	
Eye Surgeries	19
✦ OP Screened	710
✦ Total 61 Outreach free eye camps conducted and screened 4,699 patients and Performed 1,590 surgeries.	

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**PFIZER HEALTHCARE INDIA SPONSORS FREE EYE
SCREENING CAMP AT TANAM, ANAKAPALLE DISTRICT**

Pfizer Healthcare India Pvt Ltd, a leading multinational pharmaceutical and biotechnology company, reaffirmed its commitment to community service by sponsoring a comprehensive free eye screening camp on 26th June 2026 at Tanam village, Parawada Mandal, Anakapalle District, under its CSR initiative. The camp was organized in collaboration with Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital, renowned for its dedication to quality eye care.



Sri Ravi Chander Katta
addressing the gathering at the camp.

Inauguration & Leadership

The camp was inaugurated by Sri Ravi Chander Katta, Site Head, Pfizer, in the presence of senior Pfizer officials: Sri Ravi Kiran (HR Head), Sri Vijaya Mahajan (Manufacturing Head), Sri Arvind Jayaraman (EHS Head), Sri M.V. Rama Raju (Public Affairs & CSR Head), Sri Vijay Bhaskar (Supply Chain Head), Dr. Eswara Rao, Sri N. Hanumanth Rao, Sri Nageswar Rao (CSR Team), K. Bangar Raju, DGM (PR, Liaison & Corporate Relations), Sankar Foundation

Addressing the gathering, Sri Ravi Chander encouraged patients to utilize the camp facilities and reaffirmed Pfizer's commitment to conducting similar camps in surrounding villages to help eliminate avoidable blindness. He expressed delight at partnering with Sankar Foundation and praised its impactful eye care services.

Pfizer officials toured the camp facilities and congratulated Sankar Foundation for its excellent organization. Local leaders Sri Pyla Jagannathm and Sri Venkata Ramana extended their support, strengthening community participation.



Sri Ravi Chander Katta,
Head of Pfizer's unit,
inaugurating the eye camp.

Medical Team & Support

Patient screenings were conducted by Dr. Y. Sai and Dr. Joseph from Sankar Foundation, supported by a dedicated outreach team led by: Sri N. Appala Raju (Senior Manager – Outreach), Sri Arun Kumar (Manager – Outreach), Sri Eswar Rao (Senior Manager), Sri Ramu (Sr. Manager – Optical Management), Sri Ratan Raju (Manager – Optometry Department) and others.

Camp Highlights

- ◆ 391 outpatients screened
- ◆ 305 glasses prescribed
- ◆ 280 glasses delivered on the spot
- ◆ 25 glasses pending delivery
- ◆ 33 patients selected for surgeries and underwent surgeries successfully.
- ◆ 70 patients provided with medicines

The camp received an overwhelming response from nearby villages, reflecting strong community participation and the impact of Pfizer's CSR efforts.

**Get Clear Vision
for a Great Life**