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Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya (MNC)- A Birds Eye View

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With expansion of service scope & addition of specialized clinics, MNC is on its way to become the Centre of excellence in eye care.

Vision

To become a centre of excellence in Eyecare

Mission

To provide the best eyecare services that is affordable to all

Values

Patient First, Trust & Equality, Transparency & Honesty





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MESSAGE

I am glad to know that, "**Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya**" (LEPRA), situated at Pandapali under Birmaharajpur Block in the District of Subarnapur is going to celebrate its glorious 19th Anniversary Day on 24.12.2023 in the Hospital premises. As understood, the organisation has been rendering quality and affordable eye care services to the poor and needy people of Western Odisha.

I extend my warm greetings to the members and management of the organization on this special day.

(PADMANABHA BEHERA)



It gives me immense pleasure to know that "**Mahanadi Netra Chiktsalaya**", (MNC-LEPRA), Pandapali, Birmaharajpur is going to celebrate its glorious 19th foundation day on 20th December 2023. This organisation is a pride of the district which has become an **ISO** certified and **NABH** accredited Eye care service provider. Since last 18 years it has rendered valuable services related to eye care to the people of Subarnapur as well as nearby districts of western Odisha.

I extended my warm wishes to the Management and Members of MNC on this special occasion.


District Magistrate & Collector,

Subarnapur

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SUBARNAPUR**

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MESSAGE

I am happy to know that the Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya, LEPRA Society, Pandapali, Subarnapur is going to celebrate it's foundation day on 20th December, 2023. Further it is good to learn that a Souvenir is being brought out to mark the occasion.

I wish the function and the publication all success.

COLLECTOR, JHARSUGUDA



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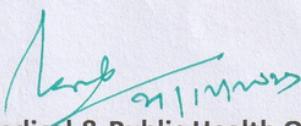
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It gives me a great pleasure to learn that Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya (MNC), a leading eye care organisation of western Odisha, located at Pandapali, Birmaharajpur of Sonepur District is going to celebrate its glorious **19th Foundation Day on 24th December 2023**. Despite of all odd, the institution is committed to provide quality eye care services to the people of the district in the past days. In partnership with Govt the organisation has helped the health administration, Subarnapur in achieving the target of cataract surgeries under National Blind Control Programme.

I take this opportunity to convey my best compliments to the Management, Administration, Doctors and Staff of the organisation. I am confident that the institution will set several mile stones in providing affordable & qualitative eye care services to the people of the locality.

I extend my warmest greetings on this special occasion and wishing more success in future endeavours.


Chief district Medical & Public Health Officer
Subarnapur



From the Pen of Chief Executive, LEPRA Society.....

Let me start by congratulating my colleagues at Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya -LEPRA Society for successfully completing 19 years of eye care journey.

All doctors, administrative team, Nurses & paramedical workers, Program peoples & support staffs for their absolute dedication and exemplary work for the society which makes me & the entire LEPRA family very proud.

MNC'S eye care journey was eventful, a mix bag of sorrow & happiness, many ups & few downs but since its inception, service provision to the needy ones never paused even for a moment. When COVID was at its pick and most of the eye care institutions were closed, the colleagues at MNC continued delivering eye care services to the needy ones, observing all necessary precautions. MNC brought revolutionary changes in eye care, particularly in western parts of Odisha state. Being the 1st institution in getting NABH accreditation for quality services, introduction of contact lens, Low vision, vision therapy & modular OT concept, DNB & NCVRT courses, Fellowship & hands on training courses etc. are few example of this.

On the eve of 19th Foundation Day of Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya, I wish very best and greater success to the team.

Let MNC bring laurels for itself & entire LEPRA family through its services.

Let us continue to work for a society free from avoidable blindness.



As we celebrate the 19th Foundation Day of Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya on 24 December, 2023, I am delighted to be associated with the organisation in its very noble cause of restoring and correcting the eyesight of thousands of poor and underserved people in western Odisha. In less than a generation MNC and its sister organisation in Junagadh, Kalahandi, have earned enough name and fame to attract needy people from long distances. So great is its reputation that even people who can pay good money for cataract surgeries prefer to come to this modest institution. The institution has earned its fame primarily because of the dedicated work of Dr Debendra Sahu and his supportive associates, each of whom deserves to be separately complimented for their diligence. It is very satisfying to know that MNC is growing surely and steadily. A 50 bedded ward will soon become a reality and people who could not be accommodated earlier due to lack of space will now be able to get cataract surgery and other eye care services more quickly.

My congratulations to everyone associated with Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya and the noble work it is doing for society. May it continue to render yeoman service to all.

Ms. Meena Gupta IAS Retd.
Chairperson, Advisory Committee.
Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya

Dr. Debendra Kumar Sahu

Medical Superintendent

M.N.C.- LEPRA



It's the moment of proud and ecstasy while writing few lines on the occasion of 18th birth anniversary of Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya which we fondly called as MNC. It's similar to the feelings of a father who has witnessed the entire upbringing process of his new born from childhood to adult.

The journey was never been easy, especially in a rural set up like ours. Being a charitable and not for profit organization , the real challenge was to provide best eye care services at an affordable price and building enough faith among the beneficiaries to avail services at MNC-LEPRA Society.

It's my pleasure to inform all of you that within very short time span, we achieved almost everything that we have dreamt for. Through our service, we have achieved the distinction of most sought eye care institution of western Odisha. We are the pioneer in introducing the concept of Contact lens, Low vision services and Modular OT. Currently, the population of Sonepur, Boudh, Bargarh, Kandhamal, Angul, Sambalpur , Kalahandi and Bolangir district are squarely dependent upon our institution for availing eye care services. Similarly vision restoration of more than 1.3 Lakh cataract blind patients through IOL implantation, Corrective spectacles to more than 80 thousand identified refractive error patients and skill up gradation of emerging Ophthalmologists and local youths through fellowship and hands on training as well as affiliating with NCVRT (National Council of Vocational Research Centre) are few milestones to highlight the achievements.

We have started our eye care journey with a small team of around 10 staffs but now with more than 110 regular employees, we are one of the biggest employers of Sonepur district.

The more we achieve, the hunger for achieving more is increasing as well

Miles to goTill we achieve our ultimate goal - “elimination of avoidable blindness”.

MNC Advisory Committee



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Dr. Debendra Ku. Sahu
Member of Secretary



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Eye Care Journey.....:

Leading people towards light.....

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Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya

The Eye Care Journey.....

Though Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya was established primarily to address the eye care issues of leprosy affected patients but realizing the greater needs & demand, LEPRA started its eye care journey initially in a small scale in 2003 from BOLEP (Bolangir Leprosy Eradication Program) campus and then shifted to its present location at Pandapali, Birmaharajpur in 2005 through establishment of a 30 bedded state of the Art eye care centre.

Within short time span, MNC has become the most preferred eye care institution of western Odisha. After its establishment, it was able to brought sea changes in the overall eye care scenario of western Odisha. MNC has brought Low vision & Contact lens concept in western Odisha through establishment of specialised clinic beside pioneering in introducing modular OT concept. With introduction of advanced technology in eye care, MNC was able to cater the eye care needs of thousands of patients residing in its interventional districts.

Since its inception, quality was and remains as one of the vital component in service delivery system. Adhering to the standard protocols, MNC has developed robust monitoring system at all deliverable points to ensure maintenance of standard quality. Accreditation under NABH (National Accreditation board for Health care facilities) & ISO certification is the testimonial of offered quality services.

To reach the unreacheds ones residing in remote corners of its interventional areas, MNC adopted reach out system. The field & technical staffs screened patients for eye ailment & early intervention by conducting screening camps. Patients identified for surgical intervention are being transported to the base hospital by office vehicle. Similarly, services are also offered through fixed facilities (Vision centres) located at different corners of its interventional areas for provision of primary treatment, correction of refractive error, counselling & referral services.



Highlights

**NABH Accredited
&
ISO Certified**

**Modular
Operation
Theator**

**Advance Eye Care
Facilities**

**NBEMS
Accredited for
DNB Course**

NCVRT Affiliated

**Fellowship &
Short Term
Hands On Training**

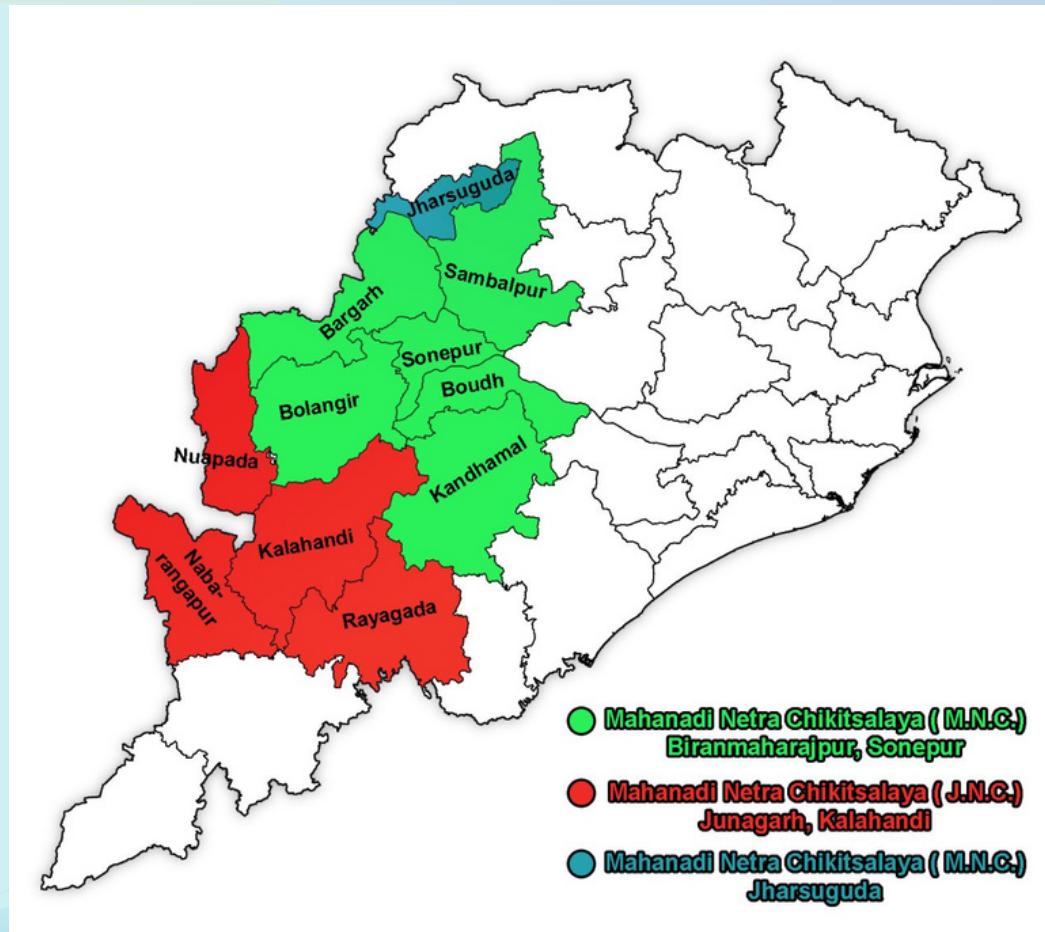
**Community
Eye care**

**Two Nos. Of
Satellite Hospital**

**Glaucoma
&
Retina Clinic**

**One City Eye Care
&
Ten Vision Center**

INTERVENTIONAL DISTRICTS



The service umbrella of MNC spreads over 6 districts & 57 Blocks where as its satellite hospital MNC-Junagarh, fondly named as JNC covers 4 districts (Kalahandi, Nuapada, Nabarangapur & Rayagada). Similarly, the new unit at Jharsuguda is likely to cater eye care needs of Sundargarh, Debgarh & Jharsuguda district population.

Base Hospital Services..

The Base Hospital is currently providing a secondary level comprehensive eye care services just a few notch lower than attaining tertiary status. It provides curative, preventive and corrective services to the people having eye problems. The hospital is well equipped & functioning as an eye care referral centre in western Odisha.



Service Scope



Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya

- *Suture less cataract surgery- SICS and PHACO with foldable Lens.*
- *All Ocular Surgeries*
- *Refraction services*
- *Glaucoma Services*
- *Medical Retina*
- *Contact lens Services*
- *Low Vision Services*
- *Oculoplastic Services*
- *In house lab, Pharmacy and Spectacle dispensing unit*
- *Vocational training centre under NCVRT.*
- *Provide NBEMS accredited DNB Courses*

Key Activities



Impact From 2005 - 2023

Refraction
147830

Out Patient
593733

**Cataract
Surgery**
148313

**Other
Surgery**
12949

**Spectacle
Provision**
97846

**Glaucoma
Service**
5691

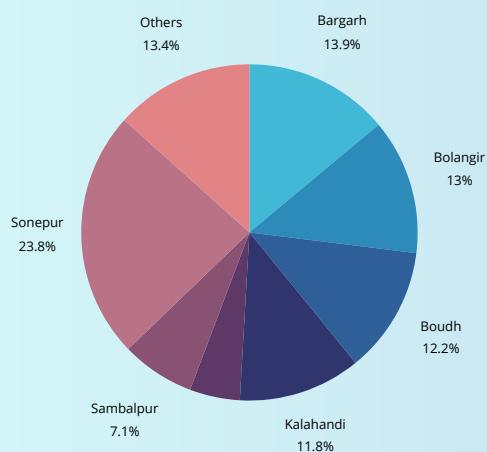
**Primary Checkup
Through Outreach**
272688

Low Vision
3702

**School
Screening**
211045

Base Hospital

O.P.D.



The Out Patient Department comprises different units for providing curative measures to patients having some short of ocular problems. Beside consultation & Treatment, counselling remains one of the major components. Dedicated staffs have been assigned to address & resolve issues pertaining to eye care service delivery. On an average 150 patients register themselves for availing O.P.D services on daily basis.

Refraction Unit



MNC refraction unit is a bunch of young, energetic and highly professional group of staffs dedicated towards the cause. The team consists of optometrists, vision Technicians & interns. MNC refraction unit is well equipped to address the 2nd most major cause of avoidable blindness. In the year 2023, 9074 numbers of patients have been refracted out of which 7396 numbers provided corrective spectacles. Beside spectacle provision, the team is well versed & capable of dealing with complicated scenarios such as prescription of Vision Therapy, Contact lenses and Low visual aids & appliances.

IP & OT Dept.



FADING PEOPLE TOWARDS LIFE

The modular OT concept in western Odisha was first introduced by MNC. At present, the entire OT complex is modular ones. To maintain the quality standards, all necessary protocols are in place. The 30 bedded ward is equipped enough to cater the patient needs.

Low vision



The MNC low vision clinic, the first of its kind in western Odisha was established with the support of Sightsavers in 2011 under Eastern India Low Vision Project. Since then, MNC low vision unit is working relentlessly in addressing the bigger issue of severe visual impairments of patients particularly among school going children and even worked as nodal agency for Odisha state.



The low vision activities are not restricted to its interventional districts only. Partnering with different likeminded agencies, the unit had taken up LV case identification, screening of blind school students, free device distribution & sensitization programs in other districts as well.

Satellite Centers

Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalay_(JNC)-Junagarh



Looking to the success of MNC in eye care service delivery, Sightsavers, Western Odisha Development Council (WODC) and LEPRA signed a tripartite agreement for setting up of a secondary level satellite hospital in Kalahandi district, one of the most backward district of Odisha infamous for its poverty & backwardness. The agreement resulted establishment of JNC in the year 2016 at Junagarh, 20 K.M. away from the district capital Bhawanipatna. Within very short time span, it has proved its mantle in eye care and spread its service wing to three nearby districts i.e. Nabarangpur, Nuapada & Rayagada.

Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya - Jharsuguda

On public demand and insistence of various funding agencies, LEPRA established its second satellite centre Mahanadi Netra Chikitsalaya, Jharsuguda at Badmal of Jharsuguda district. On 19th October 2022, the unit was declared functional & dedicated for public service. The unit is supposed to cater the eye care needs of three districts- Sundargarh & Debgarh beside Jharsuguda.



Vision Centre Services



With an aim of providing primary eye care services to the people residing in hard to reach areas beside dissemination of eye care messages, Lepra has established its first vision centre at Dunguripali of Sonepur district way back in 2008. Realizing the greater needs, other funding agencies such as Seva Foundation, Operation Eye Sight Universal etc also came forward and starts supporting the initiatives. This has resulted establishment of another ten numbers of vision centres at different locations. These vision centres are proved really helpful in addressing the eye care issues and provision of needed services.

Outreach Activities :-



The outreach activities in MNC are going through-out the year. The programs undertake by the dedicated outreach team includes organizing screening camps , conducting sensitization programs for grass root service providers, focused camps for vulnerable groups like school going students, women, weaver community, leprosy cured patients, senior citizens & differently able persons etc. The team following the event calendar & outreach protocol in all of its activities. The camp model is a comprehensive one where the team addresses eye care issues like Cataract, Refractive Error, Glaucoma & DR etc. The model which gave MNC lots of dividends & accepted by many including funding agencies as a role model is the patient referral system through community volunteers. Under its community eye care approach, till date the outreach team have screened 2,98,722 numbers of peoples mostly residing in remote corners of interventional areas.

School Screening



For providing early intervention and imparting eye health education to school going students, MNC has designed its school Screening Program by incorporating all the required components such as Teacher training, primary & secondary level screening system to identify refractive error cases, provision of corrective spectacles, well placed referral mechanism, student's nutritional assessment etc. A comprehensive school screening program is currently going on under Sight savers supported School Eye Health Program in Kalahandi district. In this year only, the team has screened 40,133 numbers of students and 1,407 numbers provided corrective spectacles free of cost.

Urban Eye health



Mahanadi News

Under Urban Eye Health, a Sightsavers supported program intended to provide eye care services primarily to slum dwellers of Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation, one vision center is currently functioning at pokhariput beside eye care service provision through a well-equipped mobile eye care van. Beside refractive error & treatment, the issue of diabetic nephropathy is also addressed under this project.

On going Projects...

Project Punarjanma -

In our endeavor of providing eye care services to the leprosy cured patients residing in designated colonies, MNC with the support of Seva Foundation & Vivekananda Mission Ashram has launched an initiative to address the eye care issues of colony inmates .Under this project, 3069 colony inmates residing in 36 colonies located in 9 districts will be surveyed & screened for eye care ailments including surgical intervention. The project was launched and first implemented at Puintala leprosy colony on 9th June. Since then, 644 numbers of inmates have been screened and 136 numbers restored their vision through IOL implantation.



Raahi -National Truckers Project

With a noble cause of reducing mishaps related to road accident which is happening mostly due to poor vision, MNC is implementing RAAHI project in Bargarh district with the support of Sightsavers. Under this project, we are supposed to screen 1700 persons, a majority of which are truck drivers and provide them corrective spectacles.

REH- (Rural Eye Health) -

The REH project is currently going on in three districts- Kalahandi, Bargarh & Kandhamal District. Out of them , Various activities such as system strengthening, cataract surgery, Refractive Error correction, training & Capacity building of grass root service providers are the major components of this project.

Voice of beneficiary

Name of the Patient- Teja Bargi

Mr No- P-391658

Age/Sex:- 88/F

At/Po: Hatibari LC

Block: Jujumura

Dist: Sambalpur, Odisha

Date of Admission: 30.10.2022

Date of Surgery: 31.10.2022

Date of Discharge: 01.11.2022

Pre-Operative Vision RE- CF LE-1/60

Post- Operative Vision RE- 6/18

After completed the screening program of Project Punarjanma in Balangir and Bargarh district. Our screening team visited Hatibari Leprosy colony Jujumura under Sambalpur district the western part of Odisha on dated 18th October 2022.

During assessment, the screening team found Teja Bargi, Wife of Dusasan Bargi, an 88-year old leprosy affected women having visible physical deformity as a proof of the attack taken place long years back by the dreaded Mycobacterium Lepra.

At the age of 24, Teja Bargi was diagnosed with one of the world's most stigmatised diseases, leprosy, also known as Hansen's disease. Her life took another cruel turn when not long after her diagnosis, her husband passed away. She was shunned by his family, and forced to live almost in isolation from relatives and from the Hatibari Leprosy colony.



Those days were truly horrible, as she break down with tears in her eyes while narrating her past life story. These days are not that great also, she summed up. Due to impair of vision in last few months, I could not able to move outside of the colony. Who will give me money by coming to the colony, she throw a straight question to us.



After examination, she has diagnosed with mature cataract in her both eye. As the visual impairment was due to cataract, the screening team reacted fast by fixing a date for her transportation to base hospital for surgical intervention. On dated 30th Oct 2022 she got her Right Eye operated.

On follow up visit to the Hatibari Leprosy colony, we discovered a different Teja Bargi altogether. With restoration of vision, she restored almost everything, her occupation, independency, self-esteem and most importantly her smile.

She was very thankful towards LEPRA and Seva Foundation for imparting a lasting change in her life.



Project "Punarjanma"

Eye care intervention of persons affected by leprosy & their family members residing in designated leprosy colonies of Western Odisha.

Objectives: -

The Project concept was developed primarily to address the eye care issues of leprosy affected patients & their relatives residing in designated colonies of western Odisha. The project was funded by SEVA Foundation and VMA-NNN provided the necessary technical support. The project objective was to find out the ground reality & barriers which prevent the leprosy affected persons & their family members residing in designated leprosy colonies in accessing the needed eye care services. The project also aims for prescription of mitigation strategies based on ground reality. In absence of real time information, addressing the ocular issues & provision of needed services to peoples belonging from vulnerable groups particularly the leprosy affected ones often imposes greater challenges for eye care service providers and they applies the "same rule principle "during program implementation. The project intended to generate real data through physical visit to leprosy colonies & interaction with the inmates for data generation on socio economic conditions, needs, barriers etc. which can be used as reference for formulation of replicable strategies catering their specific needs beside provision of quality eye care services including surgical intervention.

Implementation Methodology: -

Prior to formal launching of project "Punarjanma", as preparatory activity staffs of MNC visited each single colonies for location mapping, explanation of survey objectives, confidence building etc. The Survey formats were developed by incorporating the inputs of experts in this field for Demographic, Socioeconomic, educational & clinical data collection with "easy to ask & easy to reply" questionnaire. Staffs were trained on rapport building & data collection methodology. Prior information on survey date & time was shared with colony leaders for ensuring the physical presence of all colony inmates during screening date. Collected data were entered in the software for data analysis & research.

Launching of the Event:-

Soon after completion of primary data collection, "Project punarjanma" was launched at Puintala LC of Bolangir district on 9th June 2022. The launching event was held in presence of dignitaries belonging from SEVA Foundation, VMA-NNN, district health functionaries, LEPRA, Print & electronic media etc. in this regard a public meeting was organised to disseminate information about the objectives & deliverables of the project.

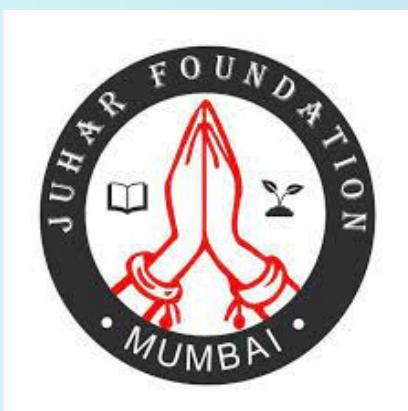
Target vs. Achievement:-

Sl. No.	Indicator	Target	Achievement
1	Colonies Surveyed	38	38
2	Inmates Screened	3069	2851
3	Surgical intervention	400	357
4	Provision of corrective glass	200	198
5	Treated on site	200	216

Findings: -The team comprising of clinical, counsellors & support staffs had carried out Survey cum screening program in 38 colonies spread over 9 western Odisha districts. A total of 2851 colony inmates were screened for eye care issues.

Below are the major highlights -

Partners in our Journey



Mid-Level ophthalmic Personnel (MLOP)Training Program

Objective: -

1. Creation of skilled paramedical workforce to serve & support in eye care activities.
2. Clinical & vocational skill development of local youths which enables them for self employment.
3. Financial empowerment of girl students by creating employment opportunities in eye care service facilities.
4. Contribute towards the social cause & repayment to the society by inducting young girls belonging from poor socio economical background, minority community & vulnerable groups for training & capacity building.

Background:-

Scarcity of skilled workforce to serve in eye care sector was and still remains as one of the biggest challenge for each & every eye care institutions. It's a universal problem and not limited or restricted to the boundaries of any particular state or district, though the severity varies depending upon the availability of training centers.

The staff crunch situation is existing in all positions, starting from the top position in the hierarchy ie Ophthalmologist to the bottom of the ladder ie support assistants / patient care attendants. Paramedical workforce such as optometrist, Ophthalmic Assistants, Vision Technicians, Nurses etc are the backbone of any eye care institution, just next to the Ophthalmologist in position and work responsibilities and they consist of a good proportion of the total human resources. They remain involved in almost all routine activities. Without them, the ophthalmologist could neither be able to diagnose, treat or provide needed surgical interventions. Since there are a very few training institutions available in and around the state offering skill up gradation programs for youths to work in eye care service delivery sectors as paramedical workforce, the problem is more intense & severe in the field of paramedical work force. To mitigate the challenge, most of the eye care facilities have started their own in house capacity building programs to accommodate with the need, especially in the mid-level sections. Training program for Clinical Assistant, Vision technician, optometrist, Optician, Counselors etc are few examples.



In-House Training Program:-

Need is the mother of all inventions. Recognizing the need, MNC-LEPRA Society has started its In house training program very early, in 2005 on the year of its establishment by initiating in house training program for clinical Assistant. With each passing year, the project has adopted different mechanism to make it a robust one.



New disciplines such as training courses for Vision technician, low vision, OT assistant, optician, Internship programs for Optometrist etc were been added. External support from reputed training institutions like VMA-NNN, Laico, Dr. Shroff's eye hospital and Donor agencies such as SEVA Foundation, Sight Savers etc was taken in developing infrastructure, course curriculum, study materials, teaching methodology, faculty capacity building and for overall improvement in training system. Similarly, to make the trainee completion certificates more authentic & wider acceptance, MNC was affiliated under NCVRT and signed MOU with Centurion University. In recent past, new disciplines such as Fellowship & short term hands on training program on Anterior segment & IOL, SICS, PHACO were added into it for young & aspiring Ophthalmologists. Affiliation for DNB courses is also a part of our continuous effort to strengthen the In house training system. All these strategies helped us in popularizing the training system; bring repute to the offered courses among the ophthalmic fraternity & making MNC as one of the preferred training institution in western Odisha.

MLOP Training Course:-

In line to the strategy adopted by different eye care service providers across the country and to strengthen the in-house training program particularly with a focus on the mid level needs, the project since long was mulling the idea of initiating MLOP (Mid Level Ophthalmic Personnel) Training Course at MNC-LEPRA Society by inducting girls from marginalized section having poor economical background as trainees. During MNC advisory committee meeting which was held in the month of October 2022, the modalities was finalized and decided that the project would start the program by its own initially on a small scale and analyzing its success, would seek financial support from other intended agencies having interest in infrastructure & capacity building program to support for large

scale implementation at a later stage. Sticking to the plan, the project has rolled out the training program from 1st January 2023 by recruiting 8 numbers of young girls belonging from poor social & economical background which also includes family member of Leprosy affected persons. Besides training on clinical and support services, MNC is also offering vocational skill up gradation of those young girls on courses like Tailoring, plate making, computer, Yoga, spoken languages, personality development etc. Students admitted as trainee MLOP are not going to spend a penny for the offered courses. It is a residential course and free food & lodging facilities will be provided to all of the enrolled students.

Training Highlights:-

1. The training period will be of 2 years duration.
2. Each student will get Rs. 1000/- as monthly stipend / pocket money.
3. Flooding, lodging, study materials, uniforms etc will be provided to the trainees free of cost.
4. The induction & pass out of trainees will be a continuous process with 20 numbers as batch strength. Effort will be made to select trainees from each intervention district.
5. After successful completion of training period, the trainees from the pool can be posted at different eye care projects either under LEPRA or other eye care facilities of their choice. This will help in minimizing the gap between demand & supply of skilled human resources besides contributing in eradication of avoidable blindness.
6. The course is designed to upgrade Student's Clinical & Vocational skill.





In House Spectacle



Medicine Facilities



Celebrating World Sight Day





Training And Capacity Building





New Patient Dormitory Inauguration

**Yours's Small
Contribution Can
Bring Big Changes
In Others Life.....**



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&
Other Information**



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Anna Daan (Food for Patients) - Rs. 1000/-

Chasama Daan (Free Spectacle) - Rs.250/-

Drishti Daan (Free Cataract Surgery) - Rs. 2000 /-

**Donation Made to MNC- LEPRA Society
are exempted under Section 80-G**



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Appointment
&
Other Information



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Appointment
&
Other Information



SCAN ME

*Opening Time - 08:30 A.M.
Closing Time - 04:30 P.M.*

**At - Pandapali, P.S. - Biramaharajpur
Dist. - Subarnapur, Odisha (767018)**

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