

# The Drishty

A quarterly Newsletter from

## Kalinga Eye Hospital & Research Centre

(A unit of NYSASDRI)

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The Vision of  
KEHRC

*To promote quality  
of life in rural  
communities  
Through  
providing  
affordable  
eye care services  
on a sustainable  
basis.*

### Restoring Sights: JSPL, Angul

In the second & third quarter of the year 2008, Jindal Steel & Power Limited, Angul has joined hand with Kalinga Eye Hospital, Dhenkanal to develop the eye care scenario of the peripheral area of the company, during the joint venture of these two partners, the person residing in the peripheral area have got screened out & 526 no of person have been identified with cataract. In order to restore the sights

of these 526 no of people with better quality, JSPL has started the surgeries of these needy persons who are in the impending danger of sights in the month of November 2008, the first phase of the surgeries have conducted where 10 no of people have restore their sights & in order to maintain the quality of their sights, Kalinga Eye Hospital has conducted three post operative follow ups to avoid the post opera-

tion complication. JSPL is also planning to hold the



**In the first phase 10 no of people have under gone the cataract eye surgery at KEHRC, Dhenkanal**

rest eye surgeries at the earliest & to conduct another eye care activities in the peripheral area.

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### Developing Quality : ORBIS International

An expertise team of ORBIS international consisting of have paid a two days visit to Kalinga Eye Hospital & Research Centre on th of December 2008, during the visit the expertise team has appreciated the effort and the enthusiasm that Kalinga Eye Hospital is putting for eradicating the needless blindness, at

the same time they have given certain valuable suggestions in developing the quality. As per the expertise team, quality means a happy or satisfied patient, so focus should be concentrated in order to make a patient more satisfied. As Kalinga Eye Hospital has recently shifted its hospital to a brand new infra-

structure, so the hospital feels the suggestion provided by the expertise team has come at the right time and this will really help the hospital to cater more satisfaction to its patients.

*Wishing you all a very  
happy & prosperous new  
year*

**S Swain**  
Managing Director, KEHRC



The team of KEHRC at the CCO workshop in VMA NNN, West Bengal.

## Centre for Community Ophthalmology; SEVA Foundation, USA

In order to empower the eye care providers in India, SEVA foundation, USA has hold a work shop on Centre for Community Ophthalmology at VMA Netra Nirayamaya Niketan, West Bengal, which was continued for two long days i.e from 18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> October 2008 for the eye care providers of the eastern part of India, where, **Kalinga Eye Hospital and Research Centre**, Orissa, **Marium Eye Hospital**; Bangladesh **Lok Nayak Jai**

**Prakash Eye Hospital**; Jharkhand, **Rotary Club of Purulia Service Centre**; West Bengal, **Southern Health Improvement Samity**; West Bengal, **SSDC Eye Hospital**; West Bengal, have been selected to take the participation in the workshop. During the work shop issues related to, service marketing, demand generation, counseling, magnitude of the problem, HR estimation, quality assurance, resource utilization, finan-

cial sustainability & leadership were discussed. **Dr Suzanne Gilbert**, SEVA foundation, USA, **Mr. Suresh Kumar**, LAICO, **Swami-ji**, **Dr. Asim Sil**, & **Dr. Jayanta**, VMANNN has facilitate the workshop.

**40** no of *Anganwadi Workers from Banarpal block of Angul were trained on child eye care.*

## Tighting Sights: Divya Jeevan Sangha

A Angul base organization named Divya Jeevan Sangha, who are working in the field of Social development for last 32 years have joined hand with Kalinga Eye Hospital & Research Centre, Dhenkanal in 2005 for developing the quality of life of the people residing in the rural areas through holding the cataract eye surgeries. In the joint venture of Divya Jeevan

Sangha & Kalinga Eye hospital, an eye screening camp was organized on the 7th of December 2008, where 138 no of person were identified with cataract and these cases were brought to the base hospital of KEHRC for surgery. During their stay in Kalinga Eye Hospital, the Yuva Marwadi Manchcha of MCL, Angul has distributed blankets to operated

cases in free of cost. More no of Cataract eye surgeries are expected in the coming camps.



The Yuva Marwadi Manchcha, Angul, distributing the blankets to the patients.



Celebrated the Children's day at the DIET campus of Dhenkanal.

## Celebrated the CHILDREN'S Day

As a part of eye care awareness, Kalinga eye hospital has again joined hand with the Sarva Siksha Abhiyan and celebrated the Sishu Mela 2008, from the 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> of November 2008 in the DIET Campus of Dhenkanal, where chil-

dren from each block of Dhenkanal has participated. A special corner was opened by the hospital for the participatory learning on eye care. Also a drawing competition was organized for the differently able and general children, where 30

no of children have participated in the program and the winners of the program were awarded with Prizes in the presence of the District SP, the DPC of SSA.



## Empowering the School Teachers.

In order to tackle with the child eye care services in Orissa, Kalinga Eye Hospital has developed various strategies, out of which community empowerment & awareness are amongst the major ones. As a part of this strategy, Kalinga Eye Hospital is empowering the community as well as developing the awareness on child eye care,

through providing training programme to the community on detection of primary eye problem amongst the children, and in this group, the local school teachers, the Anganwadi workers, the Asha Workers and the village volunteers are involved. Similar type of program was organized on the 12-13<sup>th</sup> of December 2008 in the BRCC

building of Kamakshyanagar block, where 106 no of school teachers have attended the program. After the training program, these school teachers will screen the children of their school and in their village and will provide the report to the base hospital in each year, accordingly the hospital will act on the report.



106 no of school teachers of Kamakshyanager block of Dhenkanal have got trained.

## Guest Visited:

- Christine K Stroebel, ORBIS USA
- Jean Newron, VF, ORBIS international.
- Dr. Rishi Raj Bora, ORBIS India.
- Mr. Ram Bhat, Option & Solution, Bangalore
- Byron Miller, Volunteer, Unite for Sight, USA.
- Sri Gopabandhu Pradhan, ADM, Dhenkanal
- Smt Tuna Behera, DSW, Dhenkanal.
- Mr. Subash Mohapatra, USA
- Mr. P K Mohapatra, State Pollution Control Board, Orissa.

The ORBIS Team  
ADM, Dhenkanal.



## Treatment for Leprosy hit-Cataract patients

Representative of Switzerland based BASAID, Dr. Erich, Rosa, Schnurrenberger, Felix Heinz, Mueller, and Dr. Helga Schmidt, visited the Kalinga Eye Hospital here on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2008. They exchanged their views with the hospital inmates and have appreciated the efforts of the hospital to provide treatment to the leprosy affected cataract

patients. BASAID has been providing financial support to Orissa for community empowerment activities for years. The Kalinga Eye hospital is working on the comprehensive eye services to the leprosy cured patients with finance support of BASAID since 2005. In those days the hospital had to face a lot of difficulties initially as leprosy affected people were

considered as the untouchables in the society. But Sasank Mohanty of BASAID guided the hospital to overcome the situation and managed to conduct different programmes like out reach eye treatment camps in three leprosy colonies in Dhenkanal, seven in Jajpur and Two in Angul district



Dr. Erich, Rosa, Schnurrenberger, Felix Heinz, Mueller, and Dr. Helga Schmidt of BASAID, Switzerland at KEHRC, Dhenkanal.

*The 9<sup>th</sup>  
World Sight Day  
was celebrated on  
the 9<sup>th</sup> October  
2008*

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## PERFORMANCE

Sl No	Activities	In Nos
1	OPD in the Base Hospital	4479
2	Paediatric Cases seen in the Base Hospital	719
3	Refraction conducted	1967
4	Outreach screening camps conducted	47
5	OPD in those eye screening camps	3303
6	Paediatric Cases in those Out reach Camps	1336
7	Free Eye surgeries conducted	1445
8	Paying eye surgeries conducted	123
9	Total eye surgeries conducted	1568
10	No of Anganwadi Workers Trained	40
11	No of School Teachers Trained.	106
12	No of Paediatric Eye Surgeries	17
13	Person educated on eye care	1576

## Against All Odds...

Tapaswini Mishra, 8 old daughter of Chitta Mishra & Mandakini Mishra, of Jiridamali, Dhenkanal. As Tapaswini was well aware of the life of a girl child in the society and their family have two daughters, which was a real burden to his father. She also knew that the financial status of her family is very poor, so she has decided she will become a teacher in her future which will help her family to overcome the situation, as a result she has focused on her educational part and has joined the Jiridamali Primary School. From the day of

joining she has shown her talent in the education as well as in the sports, but at the same time she found the poor vision which was really an obstacle in her success. Tapaswini was struggling a lot at her studies due to her vision, she had already come so far that even letters written on the black board was not visible to her. Year after, the vision of Tapaswini get worse, where she couldn't able to see things clearly. But she decided not to discontinue her studies. Even the school's teachers have help Tapaswini in achieving her goal of

life. But all efforts were in certain limit. Fortunately she found the team of Kalinga Eye Hospital in their village on 22<sup>nd</sup> of September, where she was diagnosed by Dr Garnayak and was referred to the base hospital for cataract eye surgery. Dr. S K Jagadala has conducted the surgery and from CF-2mtr, she has got a vision of 6/36 on her first follow up. And now she is waiting to be operated for her another eye as she was suffering from Bi-lateral cataract and any kind hearted person will help her for this surgery so as to live her dreams.



*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. And Kalinga Eye Hospital is fighting for the blindness so lets join our hand to eliminate blindness and transform lives.*

**Make a  
Difference**  
Let's Save Somebody's Light  
Join Hand with KEHRC