

### 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

LVPEI celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 1 June 2017 with a series of activities.

A blood donation drive was organized on 29<sup>th</sup> May in support of children with retinoblastoma. 211 donors from across all cadres of employees participated.

An exhibition for the employees highlighted the amazing work of the institute and the milestones achieved.

Cultural activities such as quiz, antyakashari and a 'flash mob' were good fun elements that promoted togetherness.

The formal evening program themed 'Then, Now and How' highlighted the illustrious thirty-year journey of the Institute and the way forward. The event concluded with a flute performance organized by Mr Mohan Hemmadi. Dignitaries present included Mr K T Rama Rao, IT Minister, Govt of Telangana; Mr Ramesh Prasad, Founding Member LVPEI and Managing Director, Prasad Film Laboratories Ltd; Mrs G Pratibha Rao, Founding Member LVPEI; Mr B V R Mohan Reddy, Founder, Chairman and Managing Director of Cyient; Mr Ajit Rangnekar, Former Dean ISB, Dr V Raghunathan, CEO, GMR Varalakshmi Foundation; and Dr. Pararajesgram, Former WHO Regional Advisor and Consultant, Former President, International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness.



### Awards & Honours



The Government of Telangana State, Department of IT, Electronics and Communication presented the best innovative idea award to the Srujana Centre for Innovation for the 'Folding phoropter' on 1 June 2017. The award was presented by IT Minister K T Rama Rao on the occasion of the third anniversary of Telangana State Formation Day.

Sourav Datta has been awarded the Research Training Fellowship for Clinicians by Wellcome Trust/DBT India Alliance for his project 'Study of reaction time and visual field isopters in infants with normal milestones'.

Suryasnat Rath's project to develop a nasolacrimal recanalyzer - an innovative device to provide minimally invasive, cost-effective treatment for chronic dacryocystitis - has been recommended for the Biotechnology Innovation Grant (BIG) 2017 at the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC). Other members of the team that won the grant support of Rs 50 lakhs comprises faculty from the Department of Physics, IIT, Bhubaneswar, with Kalinga Institute of Biotechnology (KIIT) as the bio-incubator.

Taraprasad Das has been elected President of Vision 2020 India for the period 2017-2020.

Jay Chhablani's book 'Choroidal Disorders' co-edited with Jorge Ruiz-Medrano, and published by Elsevier (USA), released on 3 June 2017.

LVPEI was awarded the Organisation of Pharmaceutical Producers of India (OPPI) Health Access award of Rs 200,000 at their annual summit in Delhi on 9 June 2017.



Subhabrata Chakrabarti has been invited to serve on Retina Research Prize Committee of the Paul Kayser International Award.

### 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations Lecture

The first 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations Lecture was delivered on 10 June 2017 by Dr Vijay Kumar Saraswat, Member of NITI Aayog, and former Director General of DRDO and Chief Scientific Advisor to the Indian Minister of Defence. He spoke on 'Innovation in Healthcare'.



### Power picture: L V Prasad Eye Institute team of clinician-scientists with Prime Ministers of India and Portugal at the Champalimaud Centre in Lisbon, Portugal on June 24<sup>th</sup> 2017



In the photograph, from the left are: Mr Joao Botelho, Vice President of the Champalimaud Foundation; Mrs Leonor M Bezeza, President of the Champalimaud Foundation; Dr Rajeev Reddy Pappuru, Head - Centre for Vitreo Retinal Diseases, LVPEI; Mr Antonio Costa, Prime Minister of Portugal; Prof D Balasubramanian, Distinguished Scientist, LVPEI; Mr Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India; Dr Gaurav Agarwal, Researcher at Champalimaud Centre; Dr Swathi Kaliki, Head - Institute for Eye Cancer; LVPEI; Dr Shrikant Bharadwaj, Director - Institute of Optometry and Vision Sciences, LVPEI; Dr S Shivaji, Director of Research, LVPEI; and Ms Radhika Rajan, student at Champalimaud Centre.

### Vision Centre #152 Inaugurated

LVPEI's 152<sup>nd</sup> Vision Centre - Smt Gottipati Prameela Memorial Vision Centre - was inaugurated on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017 at Siruguppa Taluk, Ballari District, Karnataka. Capital support is by Toms/Seva Foundation and rent-free premises have been provided by the Prameela Uma Maheshwara Rao Gottipati Foundation, whose family members Smt Aruna and Sri Srinivas Rao inaugurated the centre.



# Institute for Vision Rehabilitation's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The Institute of Vision Rehabilitation celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 10 June 2017 with the beneficiaries invited to cut a cake and mark the occasion.

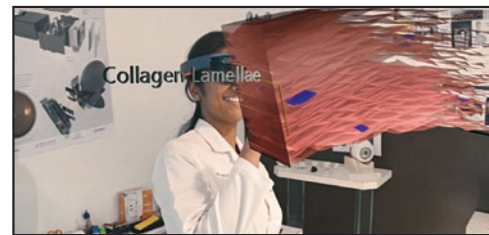


## Retinoblastoma Network (RB - NET) Workshop

Funded by Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Trust and coordinated by International Center for Eye Health, LVPEI hosted the Retinoblastoma Network (RB - NET) workshop from 10-12 June 2017. It was attended by 70 participants from across Kenya, Malawi, Uganda, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Indonesia, UK, and India, and included Ministry of Health representatives from East African countries, ophthalmologists, oncologists, pathologists, and health care workers.



## LVPEI Develops the First Holo Eye Anatomy



space. For more, watch the video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UzBTBAoAFE0>

LVPEI launched the the first 'Holo Eye Anatomy' module for the cornea on 20 June 2017, published on the Microsoft Hololens, and under the Srujana Center for Innovation umbrella. Mixed Reality is the latest in the field of ophthalmology that adds a whole new dimension to teaching and learning by allowing the projection of information of 3D models in

## Natco Pharma CEO's Support

Mr Rajeev Nannapaneni, Vice Chairman and CEO, Natco Pharma Limited, donated 1.5 lakh shares valued at Rs 15 crores to Hyderabad Eye Research Foundation, the research arm of L V Prasad Eye Institute, on 22 June 2017. The support is to Children's Eye Care at LVPEI - to find innovative approaches to tackle the problems of blindness and visual impairment in children that can benefit India and other developing countries.

## Anniversaries

30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - L V Prasad Eye Institute; 1 June.

25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - PRK Prasad Centre for Rehabilitation of the Blind & Visually Impaired; 4 June.

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Jainath Vision Centre, Adilabad District, Telangana; 5 June.

2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary - Pandit Nehru Bus Station Vision Centre, Vijayawada, Krishna District, AP; 6 June.

15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Venkata Lakshmi Eye Centre, Karamchedu, Prakasam District, AP; 7 June.

12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Seshanna Chennawar Eye Centre, Adilabad, Telangana; 9 June.

5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Pedda Kothapally Vision Centre, Mahbubnagar District, Telangana; 22 June.

2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary - Karlapalem, Kollur and Nagaram Vision Centres, Guntur District, AP; 26 June.

## Awards & Honours

Anand Shamkishore Pasari won two awards for his video 'Simple Limbal Epithelial Transplantation (SLET) for Unilateral Limbal Stem Cell Deficiency' made during his fellowship at LVPEI with Virender Sangwan, the co-author - the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (ASCRS) film festival award, May 5-9, 2017 at Los Angeles in USA, and Asia-Pacific Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons annual meeting (APACRS 2017) film festival, 1-3 June 2017 in Hangzhou, China.

## Visitors & Updates

Dr Audrey Rostov, Northwest Hospital and Medical Center, Seattle, USA; visited 22-23 June.

Prof Allen Foster, Professor and Co-Director of International Centre For Eye Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of London. Guest lecture on 'Vision 2020: Past, Present and Future'; 9 June.

A training session for vision technicians on the **general preventive maintenance of the instruments** used at vision centres was organized on 31 May 2017 at the GMR Varalakshmi campus, Visakhapatnam.

An LVPEI team comprising community eye care staff, ophthalmologists and optometrists, participated in the **Vision 2020 - The Right to Sight: India's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference 'Inclusive Eye Care Services'** at Raipur, Chhattisgarh from 3 - 4 June 2017.

LVPEI participated in the **Strengthening Capacity & Learning to Effectively Deliver Quality Eye Care (SCALE)** review meeting organized by Seva Foundation, Berkley, USA at MGM Hospital in Raipur on 5 June 2017.

An **orientation program for fellows** to be posted at the institute's secondary centres was organized on 19 June 2017 at Gullapalli Pratibha Rao International Centre for Advancement of Rural Eye Care.

## Our Support in June

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