

#134 Ponnur Vision Centre



LVPEI's 134th Ponnur Vision Centre in Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh, was inaugurated on 17 April 2016. It is funded by Latter-day Saint Charities, USA and Lions Club International Foundation, and is linked to the secondary centre Dr Kommareddy Raja Ram Mohan Rao Eye Centre, Gudavalli, Guntur District.

'Ray of Sunshine' Chemo Unit

The Operation Eyesight Universal Institute for Eye Cancer's chemotherapy unit - 'Ray of Sunshine' - was inaugurated on 18 April 2016 by Mr Dan Parlow, Ex-Chair and current Board member of Operation Eyesight Universal. It will be named 'Akkineni Manoharamma Chemotherapy Unit' in memory of the mother of Mr Ramesh Prasad, Managing Director, Prasad Film Laboratories Ltd.



Eye Screening for Vijayawada Police



A community eye screening program for the police personnel and their family members was held from 11 April 2016 at the Police Medicare Centre in the Armed Reserve Police Parade Grounds, Vijayawada. The initiative is in collaboration with DEEP Foundation and aims to screen 2500 people.

Personality Development Sessions for VTs



A personality development session was conducted for the Vision Technicians (VT) of the vision centres connected to GMRV campus, Visakhapatnam on 24 April 2016. This was done in collaboration with 'Junior Chamber International (JCI)' - a not-for-profit organization run by young citizens committed to create positive impact in the communities. The key focus was to develop the communication and presentation skills of the VTs and also to make them more accountable. The session was conducted by Mr M N Malleshwar Rao, AGM-Projects, RINL, Vizag Steel and the JCI Vishaka Valley Team.

'Parivartan' for Organizational Change

'Parivartan: Good to Great' a program to bring about positive organizational change by enhancing the management skills of the middle level management team of LVPEI was launched on 25 April 2016. The inaugural meet had Mr Ratan Jalan, Founder and Principal Consultant, Medium Healthcare Consulting as guest speaker.

Homage

The LVPEI family deeply mourns the loss of one of its biggest supporters and well wishers, Dr C Syamala Bhaskaran, on 4 April 2016. She was a renowned pathologist and educationist; the annual 'Dr C Syamala Bhaskaran Lecture' - initiated in 1995 on varying aspects of vitreo-retinal diseases - is owed to her support.



Dr C Syamala Bhaskaran

Awards & Honours

Ramesh Kekunnaya received two awards at the 42nd annual meeting of the American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus (AAPOS), 6 April 2016, Vancouver:

- AAPOS 'Honor Award' (first Indian to receive this award).
- Best cataract poster for 'Second intraocular surgery after successful primary pediatric cataract surgery: Indications and outcomes during long-term follow-up at a tertiary eye care centre'; Co-authors: Sushma Katkuri and Virender Sachdeva.

Savitri Sharma won the second best oral paper presentation for 'Epidemiology, clinical characteristics, laboratory findings and treatment outcome in Pythium insidiosum keratitis' at 11th National Conference of Society of Human and Animal Mycologists (SIHAM), 18-20 March 2016, Kufri, Shimla.

Gullapalli N Rao was felicitated at the SightFirst Conclave by Lions Club International, 29-30 March 2016 at the Chenna Reddy Human Resource Development Institute, Hyderabad.

Ramam Atmakuri has been invited to join the Corporate Social Responsibility panel of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Telangana as Co-Convenor for 2016-2017.



Research fellow Meha Kabra won the 'Young Scientist Award' for her work on the genomics of primary congenital glaucoma at the Indian Society of Human Genetics (ISHG) annual meeting, 3-5 March 2016, Chennai.

LVPEI won the best product award for 'EyeSmart EMR - Rural App' under the social impact category at the



HYSEA Annual Summit & Awards 2016, 31 March 2016, HICC Hyderabad. Sri K T Rama Rao, Hon'ble Minister for Panchayat Raj & IT, Telangana gave away the award.

Achanna's new lease of life



Ramakrishnan Lions Eye Hospital at Nidadavole who referred him to LVPEI Vijayawada where Dr Anasua Ganguly diagnosed ocular surface tumor that had spread into the orbit.

Orbital exenteration surgery was done to remove the entire tumor to save his life. A complete systemic screening ruled out spread of the tumor to his body. Finally on histopathology it turned out to be a rare case of mucoepidermoid carcinoma conjunctiva spreading to the orbit. The old man was awestruck to have got back a new lease of life. He was immensely grateful to LVPEI's "God-like" doctor and staff for alleviating his guilt of having his daughters pitch in to earn for the family.

Gaddula Achanna, 70, a farmer and father of five daughters is from a remote village in Chagulla district, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh. He had developed a small, gradually progressing, white nodule on his right eye. Poverty and geographical remoteness delayed the seeking of care. When the right eye mass became huge and started protruding out of his eye, causing pain and discharge, he went to Smt Rajeswari

That time, this day, then....

On 17 October, 1989 the in-patient ward for paying patients at Level 3 was named after the 86 employees who were on rolls at that time. Today, after 27 years, 23% of them continue to be on rolls, of whom 9 have worked their way up to the middle management by dint of their diligence and hard work, optimally utilizing the growth avenues at LVPEI.

- Vijaya L Ramam

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Visitors & Updates

Heidi Chase, Katie Judson and Suzanne Gilbert, Seva Foundation, Berkeley, United States; Thuksi, In-Country Rep, SCALE; Asim Sil, Purnendu Jana and Swami-Ji, Vivekananda Mission Ashram Netra Niramay Niketan, Chaitanyapur, W Bengal; Sashi, Suresh and Yesunesan, Aravind Eye Care System, Madurai, Tamil Nadu; Subramanyam and Subeesh, Sadguru Netra Chikitsalaya, Chitrakoot, Uttar Pradesh; Shantanu, Dr Shroff's Charity Eye Hospital, New Delhi; Col Deshpande and Kuldeep, PBMA HV Desai Eye Hospital, Pune, Maharashtra; Visited for the SCALE Meeting; 3-9 April.

Dr Srinivas Sripathi, Wilmer Eye Institute, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Guest Lecture 'RPE generated from induced pluripotent stem cells for AMD'; 7 April.

Dr V R Vijayaraghavan, Academic Consultant, Arasan Eye Hospital, Erode; Visiting Post Graduate Teacher and Consultant - Aravind Eye Hospital, Sankara Eye Institutions, Lotus Eye Institute & The Eye Foundation, Coimbatore; Guest Lecture 'Exam Oriented Sessions for Residents in Ophthalmology'; 15 - 17 April.

Dr Pavan Verkicharla, Myopia Research Group, Singapore Eye Research Centre; Guest Lecture on 'Myopia and Peripheral Refraction'; 16 April.

Dr Achim Fabig, Consul General of Germany at Chennai; Talk: "The Politics of Vision" organized by LVPEI and the Goethe Zentrum Hyderabad; 18 April.

Bi-monthly meeting of Twin Cities Microbiologists; KAR Campus; 9 April.

Induction program for Research Fellows at the KAR Campus was held on 13 April.

Stem Cell Research in Eye and Annual CORE meeting was held on 16 April.



SEVA Foundation - Global Sight Institute's Strengthening Capacity & Learning to Effectively Deliver Quality Eye Care (SCALE) launch meeting, 5-6 April.



Ms Margaret Keane, President and CEO, Synchrony Financial, donated a cheque for Rs 600,000 and a Maruti Eeco Van to LVPEI's Ramayamma International Eye Bank (RIEB) for staff to reach cornea donors in a timely manner; 27 April.



'Awareness Talk' for the 12th grade students of ODM International School, Bhubaneswar, by Dr Vivek Warkad Bhubaneswar, 31 March.

Visitors & Updates

11th Anniversary - Echoda Vision Centre, Adilabad District, Telangana; 1 April.

12th Anniversary - Kubeer Vision Centre, Adilabad District, Telangana; 1 April.

7th Anniversary - Singarayakonda Vision Centre, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh; 2 April.

10th Anniversary - Panguluru Vision Centre, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh; 3 April.

10th Anniversary - Parchuru Vision Centre, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh; 3 April.

1st Anniversary - Gullapalli Kotamma Vision Centre, Kankipadu, Krishna District, AP; 13 April.

10th Anniversary - Kalwakurthy Vision Centre, Mahbubnagar District, Telangana; 20 April.

10th Anniversary - Lingal Vision Centre, Mahbubnagar District, Telangana; 21 April.

4th Anniversary - Vutukuru Vision Centre, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh; 23 April.

2nd Anniversary - Kotturu Vision Centre, Srikakulam District, Andhra Pradesh; 25 April.

2nd Anniversary - Hiramandalam Vision Centre, Srikakulam District, Andhra Pradesh; 25 April.

2nd Anniversary - Narasannapeta Vision Centre, Srikakulam District, Andhra Pradesh; 25 April.

2nd Anniversary - Ponduru Vision Centre, Srikakulam District, Andhra Pradesh; 26 April.

2nd Anniversary - Ranasthalm Vision Centre, Srikakulam District, Andhra Pradesh; 26 April.

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