

Eye Care Camp

A Report...

Date – February 10th, 2020

Time – 10.30A.M -4.30p.m

Venue – CSP Point Village Suraj pur, Greater Noida, U.P

Eye camp no-45 /FY19-20

Village Suraj pur, Greater Noida, U.P: Eyes are the windows of the soul. Eyes play a vital role in our day to day lives and are perhaps the most precious gift we have. Oxigen & Sahyog Foundation organizes regular free eye camps in various Rural and semi urban slum settlements to improve and restore the vision of those who require surgery and also to identify refractive errors at early stage. On 10th February 2020 a free eye camp was organized at Village Suraj Pur, Greater Noida at Oxigen CSP point .The eye specialist and team from Janak puri Dharmik and Samajik Mahasangh were invited. Pre planning of the camp site along with the prior publicity to the camp was done with the support of village panchayat and Oxigen CSP four days in advance from the date of camp.



On the date of camp Villagers attending the free eye camp were evaluated for vision (refractive error), eye problems and those requiring surgery especially cataract were advised surgery. Following services free-of-charge were provided to all participants:

1. Comprehensive eye screening exam, which will check the visual status of the eye and also screen for diseases such as cataract, glaucoma etc.
2. Prescription of lens power and medication if required
3. Medical consultation on any other eye-related problems
4. Eye care tips to deal with computer-stress and other common visual problems. Along with A total of 155 individuals were screened for eye diseases out of which, 57 patients were identified with vision impairment i.e. Cataract- 9, Pterygium- 3, and Cataract & Pterygium- 2. Five willing cataract blind patients received sight restoring counseling from the Doctor. He assured the villagers that expert ophthalmologists successfully conduct cataract surgeries. He mentioned that the operation is simple and they need not worry about it. Those identified after the check-up should seize the opportunity and

get operated. Patients with minor problems were given specific medicines free of cost for various ophthalmic treatments. During the camp, Doctor Manoj addressed the assembled villagers about the importance of regular eye check up and timely operation to treat cataract, which if left untreated can lead to blindness. 67 individuals were identified with refractive error and advised spectacles were provided with ready spectacles at camp site and 88 needy patients were given eye drops as per doctor's advice. All



of them were very happy to get the glasses and eye drops right as else they need to travel 6 kms to get them and then too its availability was not certain. *During the screening session it was found that many of them were facing some or the other eye infection due to which they face the problem of watery eyes or running water from the eyes. Quite number of patients were found with the red or dusty color surrounding the cornea .Other major problem identified during the examination session was the prevalence of diabetes.*

CSP and his friends who volunteered for the eye camps says it's important to appreciate Oxigen's efforts to the benefit to the community with a need. There's still a long way to go before everyone has access to the eye care services they need. I hope this will definitely help to solve the problem to an extent. Helping regain the vision of marginalized and aged people would not have been possible without the support from Team of Doctor and Para medical staff from Janak puri Dharmik and Samajik Mahasangh along with the Village Sarpanch. We are immensely thankful Oxigen management for their continual support, which helped restore the eye sight of individuals who are in the late stage of life and mostly who lacks support system.



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