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Report of eye camps conducted from 1st April 2021 to 31st December 2021

With the improvement in the COVID-19 pandemic scenario during the latter half of 2021, we were able to reach out to the peripheries & continue our services to the marginalised section of Alibaug.

As has been the practice, our team comprised of monastic member/s, Ophthalmologist/s, Optometrists, Matron, nurses, Ophthalmic assistant, volunteers and driver served the villagers coordinated by Mrs. Veena Talreja. An additional feature of one camp held at Borli this year was the presence of an ENT surgeon and Physician; both of them providing their services.

Two camps were held in the villages of Alibaug: 1)Khidki on 31st October 2021 2)Borli, Murud Road on 12th December 2021.

The camp dates were notified to the villagers by handbills and announcements were made using public address system. Details of the camp were also displayed by banners at prominent places in and around the villages.







local area before the eye camp

Banners placed at prominent places in the village for dissemination of information before the eye camp

Our team generally would start by 6:45 am in our tempo traveller along with the necessary screening tools and medicines. On reaching the camp, after a quick refreshment, the team and the patients assembled for a brief prayer before the camp activities began.





Prayers before beginning the eye camp at Borli

Lamp lighting by our Ophthalmologist Dr.Sangeeta (camp at Khidki)



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Team being welcomed at Borli

Each camp had the following stations:

1) Registration counters



Team being welcomed at Khidki



Registration at Khidki



Registration for ENT surgeon & Physician at Borli



Registration for Ophthalmologist at Borli



Registration in progress at Borli



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Patients waiting for their turn at Khidki



Dispensing of medicines



2) Ophthalmologist's consultation

Ophthalmologist Dr.Sangeeta evaluating patients at Khidki



Ophthalmologists Dr.Sangeeta & Dr.Lakshmi evaluating patients at Borli

3) Areas for checking intra-ocular pressure, visual acuity, blood pressure, blood sugar and dispensing of spectacles



Visual acuity test at Khidki



Measuring intraocular pressure at Khidki



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Set up including autorefractometer at Khidki



Various activities of the camp at Khidki



Providing corrective glasses at Borli



Measuring blood pressure at Khidki



Physician Dr.Kiran at Borli



ENT Surgeon Dr.Ketki at Borli



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VILLAGE	TOTAL PATIENTS	MALE	FEMALE	SPECTACLES	
	SCREENED			PROVIDED	
Khidki	197	104	93	80	
Khidki(post-op patients)	36			36	
Borli	223	109	114	139	
Borli (ENT & Physician)	86	31	55	NA	
TOTAL	532	244	262	255	

Patients shortlisted for surgery were provided the following details of the camp and the requisites for the same.

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- ५. घरता फोन किंवा मोखाईल नंखर सोखत घेऊन येगे

Total number of patients shortlisted for surgery			
Khidki	46		
Borli	56		

After evaluation of patients, our team after having lunch provided by the villagers returned back to our base hospital at Khar around 6 pm and 9 pm from Khidki and Borli respectively.

On the day prior to the scheduled date of departure to our hospital at Mumbai for surgery, our devotee volunteers would visit the houses of the patients and remind them. As per schedule, patients would assemble at designated places and would be brought to our base hospital at Mumbai in our vehicle.



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Patients being fed on their arrival at our hospital

Patients on their arrival were first offered lunch / dinner following which our junior doctor after evaluation who would order for necessary investigations apart from blood tests as per protocol, urine test, COVID RT-PCR test, Chest X-ray and ECG. A Physician would evaluate them on the following day to certify fitness for surgery.



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The following are some photographs of patients who had arrived from the villages and have undergone treatment under the eye camp category.















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After the surgery, just before their departure, our Ophthalmologists ensured that all the patients were fit to go back and the surgery was successful. Each patient on their departure from our hospital was provided a protein powder container which were donated by two of our well-wishers. In some of the photographs our doctors, matron and nurses are seen.



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बोर्ली ग्रामपंचायते नेत्र चिकित्सा, तपासणी शि लोकमत न्यूज नेटवर्क या शिबिरात तज्ज्ञ डॉक्टर व त्यांच्या टीमने कान, नाक, घसा व इतर बोर्ली-मांडला : मुरुड तालुक्यातील आजारांबाबत मोफत आरोग्य तपासणी, बोर्ली ग्रामपंचायत व मुंबई-खार (पश्चिम) येथील श्री रामकृष्ण मठ व नेत्र तपासणी करण्यात आली, तसेच मिशन हॉस्पिटल, अलिबाग येथील श्री चश्म्यांचे वाटप करण्यात आले. रामकृष्ण विवेकानंद सेवा समिती शिबिराच्या परिसरातील ३५० जणांनी यांच्या संयुक्त विद्यमाने, ग्रामपंचायत यावेळी लाभ घेतला. कार्यालयात मोफत नेत्र चिकित्सा व असणाऱ्या ५८ जणांना लवकरच आरोग्य तपासणी शिबिर संपन्न झाले. शस्त्रक्रिया करण्यात येणार आहे

On the day following the camp, the local newspaper briefly covered the news of the camp

The following are the statistics of surgeries carried out on villagers from

Alibaug district

Village	IOL'S Implanted	Pterygium	DCR
Khidki	39	1	1
Ganeshpuri	8	1	-
Borli	25	3	1
TOTAL	72	5	2



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Patients provided free surgery reporting to our hospital (Local eye camp)

A total number of select 20 patients from poor socioeconomic class, recommended by our Ophthalmologists from Mumbai were operated free of cost for their cataract under the category of 'Free Eye Camp –OPD'. Following are some photographs of patients benefitted through the local eye camp.





We would be failing in our duty if we do not acknowledge the untiring efforts of the following participants:

 The organizer of these camps: Devotee volunteers of Sri Ramakrishna Vivekananda Sevasamithi of Alibaug who had prepared the ground which ensured that camps could be carried out smoothly.



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2) Our team of doctors & all members of the team / volunteers from Mumbai who have taken hardships with a smile and ensured success of the camps.

Before wrapping up, we take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. A service activity of this kind has been possible solely because of your generous donation and continued support.

We look forward for your continued support in this Seva Yagna.

Thanking you

Yours in Sri Ramakrishna

Swami Satyadevananda Secretary