



SANKARA NETHRALAYA OPHTHALMIC MISSION TRUST, INC.

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Greetings from Sankara Nethralaya.

I hope you and your family are safe and well during this pandemic. This is Dr S.S. Badrinath from Sankara Nethralaya, and Dr. Girish Rao, President, Sankara Nethralaya joining with S.V. Acharya, President Emeritus and Bala Reddy Indurti, President, SN OM Trust, our fund-raising arm in the US, in seeking your benevolence during these difficult and uncertain times.

This year has been most tumultuous for the entire world and the COVID 19 pandemic has affected every aspect of Sankara Nethralaya's operations. Truly, no challenge we have ever faced in the last four decades has come close to what we are facing now.

Due to the lockdown, Sankara Nethralaya's services were restricted by inter-state and intra-state transport facilities and other government restrictions. Consequently, our patient flow decreased significantly while critical expenses for PPEs such as masks, hand sanitizers, face shields, etc., for our staff who work with the patients, and for the patients, shot up drastically. The daily operational costs for PPEs will cost us an estimated 1.46 crores rupees.

In spite of the greatly reduced income to the hospital, we continue to treat poor patients totally free of cost.

Even with these adversities, as 2020 draws to a close, we have worked towards Sankara Nethralaya's mission to bring vision to indigent blind Indians:

- ★ In the fiscal year 2019-20, we treated 400,791 outpatients and performed 21,017 surgeries on poor patients totally cost free.
- ★ From the program's inception, our Mobile Eye surgical Units (MESU) have screened 92,366 free patients and have enabled our team to perform 17,151 operations till date in impoverished Indian hamlets.
- ★ On 24th February, 2020, SN's senior surgeons and anesthetists came together to perform 103 cost-free cataract surgeries at our recently constructed JCOC, fully-equipped, exclusive community hospital.
- ★ Newsweek has named Sankara Nethralaya as one of the 'Best 4 Ophthalmic Institutions in the World for year 2020' making it the only Hospital from India to make it to top 100 hospitals in the world.
- ★ For his invaluable work on a Fully Automated Tele Counseling Solution, our CIO, Mr Chandra Mouli, was honored with the CIO of the Year award from Techplus Media. Dr R R Sudhir's dedication, along with the IT team's hard work, backed by all the consultants and SN team made this possible.
- ★ Online events such as Master Rahul Vellal's Carnatic music concert and Padma Shri A. Kanyakumaris Violin Concert have raised significant amounts for cost free cataract surgeries on indigent blind Indians.
- ★ We are grateful to Great Andhra, Mana TV, TV Asia, Sakshi TV, TV5 and Tori for giving publicity for our mission through their media.

We appreciate your continued support for the past four decades and request you to send your tax deductible contributions in the attached self-addressed envelope.

My best wishes to you and your family!

Warm Regards

Dr. S. S. Badrinath

Founder & Chairman Emeritus, Sankara Nethralaya



Dr. S. S. Badrinath's 80th birthday, 103 cost-free cataract surgeries were performed at JCOC



Joyful beneficiaries at SN's 50th MESU surgical camp at West Singhbhum District, Jharkhand

**We take pleasure in sharing the details of patients treated cost free in the year 2019-20
Thanks for the donations made by well wishers like your good self**

Out Patient Services for the year 2019-20	
Category	Numbers
Paying	440,396
Free	400,791
Total	841,187

In Patient Services for the year 2019-20	
Category	Numbers
Paying	39,143
Free	21,017
Total	60,160

We seek your continued support as we progress in our battle against blindness

Donation Schemes	
\$65- 1 cataract surgery	\$ 290- Rural Tele-ophthalmology camp - 1 day
\$250- 1 major surgery	\$300 - Rural school screening camp - 1 day
\$ 700- 1 Perpetual cataract surgery 12 years	\$ 2,600- approximately 40 surgeries per day
\$ 2,200- 1 Perpetual major surgery 12 years	\$ 25,000- Naming a room
General Corpus fund for community outreach programs : Any Amount	

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