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From Challenges to Achievements

“I express gratitude to Sightsavers India for their invaluable Inclusive Education Programme, which brought about such remarkable changes in my son’s life,” - Upendra, Dushmanta’s Father, Odisha.

Dushmanta, a 16-year-old student with visual impairment in Kalahandi District, faced obstacles in his education due to lack of awareness and support from his family and teachers.

Sightsavers India's Inclusive Education team intervened, counselling his family and community on the importance of education for children with visual impairment. They provided training in essential life skills, including orientation, mobility and sensory awareness. As Dushmanta progressed to the 10th grade, he received a **laptop** and participated in **ICT-based training**.

With newfound skills in operating softwares like Word and Excel, his enthusiasm for learning soared. His regular school attendance resumed, leading to academic excellence as he achieved a commendable B1 grade in his 10th exams.



Empowering Girls with Visual Impairment

In collaboration with Jharkhand State Livelihood Promotion Society (JSLPS) and Samagra Siksha - Hazaribagh - district of Jharkhand, Sightsavers India successfully conducted **6 days of defence training for girls with visual impairment**. This event encouraged the paralympic authority to take forward this initiative at a wider level and give an opportunity to girls with visual impairment and persons with disabilities in sports.

Eye Health (January - August 2023)



49,55,018

Number of Eye Screenings



20,47,150

Number of People Refracted



5,71,812

Spectacles Distributed



2,07,382

Sight Restoration Surgeries

As the festive season unfolds, Sightsavers India extends its warmest wishes. May this season bring you and your family joy, prosperity and fulfilment. Thank you for being a vital part of our mission.

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for desirable norms**



The accreditation serves as a recognition of Sightsavers India's dedication to fostering accountability, transparency, and responsible practices within the voluntary sector.



Enhancing Vision and Quality of Life in Maharashtra

To improve the eye health of the rural population in Jalna through Inclusive Eye Health services, Sightsavers India, in collaboration with Emtec Technologies Private Limited launched the Rural Eye Health Programme in Jalna District, Maharashtra. The implementing partner for this project is Aurangabad Chikalthana Lions Eye Hospital.



Eye Care for All: Sightsavers India's Rural Outreach

As the technical expertise partner, Sightsavers India has joined the West Bengal State Rural Livelihood Mission for the 'Freedom from Blindness' campaign.

Launched in 13 rural districts of West Bengal it focuses on elderly SHG members (aged 60+). The collaboration integrates health and rural development efforts, aiming for 65 outreach screening camps.



Sightsavers India has been working to eliminate avoidable blindness and promote equal opportunities for people with disabilities since 1966.

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