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Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation (LEF)

Restoring Vision. Restoring Dignity. Restoring Lives.



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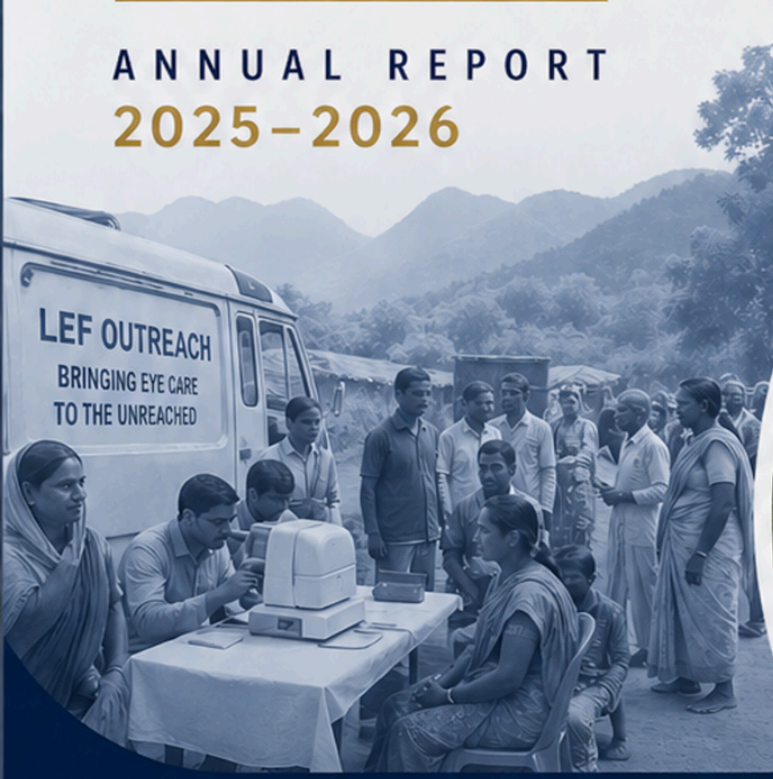



ADVANCED EYE CARE | COMPASSIONATE SERVICE | COMMUNITY IMPACT | BETTER VISION BRIGHTER FUTURES

100-BEDDED SUPER-SPECIALTY EYE HOSPITAL UNDER NANRITAM

A BEGINNING ROOTED IN COMPASSION



In the quiet rural stretches of Para, Purulia, where access to healthcare was once a distant hope, a simple yet profound vision took shape — no one should remain blind simply because they are poor or live far away.

From this conviction emerged the **Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation (LEF)** — today a 100-bedded super-specialty eye hospital under Nanritam, serving as a beacon of hope across some of the most underserved regions of India.

But LEF is not just a hospital.

It is a movement — where science meets compassion, and care reaches where roads often do not.

> "This is not just about vision. It is about giving people the ability to live, work, dream, and hope again."

OUR VISION

A world where no one is needlessly blind and everyone can see a brighter future.

OUR MISSION

To deliver accessible, affordable and advanced eye care to every person, especially the underserved.

OUR VALUES

Compassion
Integrity
Excellence
Inclusion

OUR PROMISE

To reach the unreached.
To heal with empathy.
To restore not just vision, but dignity and hope.

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FROM HOSPITAL TO HUMANITY:

A LIVING ECOSYSTEM OF CARE





At its heart, LEF operates through a deeply human model:

- **A state-of-the-art hospital** providing advanced eye care
- **A vast outreach network** reaching villages, mountains, deserts, and slums
- **A community of 4000+ volunteers**, many of whom were once patients themselves



TOGETHER, THEY FORM A SEAMLESS JOURNEY:

FROM DARKNESS → TO DIAGNOSIS → TO SURGERY → TO RESTORED LIFE

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REACHING WHERE NEED IS GREATEST



Across **14 states** of India, LEF travels where healthcare rarely reaches. Through **1,833 outreach camps**, teams have:

- Walked into remote tribal villages
- Crossed difficult terrains
- Braved extreme climates—from the freezing cold of Ladakh to the humid plains of Bengal





In each camp, a simple act happens:

A patient is seen, heard, and cared for.

Over the year, more than

13 lakh (1.3 million)

individuals were examined

Each one carrying a story.

Each one waiting for light.

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MORE THAN NUMBERS — LIVES TRANSFORMED



Behind every statistic lies a human life.

- A grandmother who can now see her grandchildren.
- A farmer who can return to his field.
- A child who can finally read the blackboard.

THIS YEAR ALONE:

37,276
cataract surgeries restored vision

14,397
in West Bengal

22,879
across other underserved states







AMONG THEM:

250 children received pediatric cataract surgeries — giving them a future they could not yet see

1,527 patients chose to pay — helping sustain care for those who cannot

656 advanced surgeries, including

243 vitreo-retinal procedures, saved patients from irreversible blindness

> "These are not procedures. These are second chances at life."

RESTORING VISION | RESTORING DIGNITY | RESTORING LIVES | BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES

BEYOND SURGERY:

VISION IS STRENGTHENED. LIVES ARE TRANSFORMED.



Vision is not only restored in operation theatres.
It is strengthened through:

7,510
procedures

64,027
spectacles distributed, including



6,616
for children







> *"Imagine a child seeing clearly for the first time — the classroom comes alive, learning begins, confidence grows."*

CLEAR VISION | BETTER LEARNING | MORE CONFIDENCE | BRIGHTER FUTURES

Every pair of glasses is more than a solution.
It is a gateway to a better life.





THE POWER OF PRESENCE:

OUTREACH THAT MATTERS

Every single day, LEF teams travel **100–150 km,** carrying not just equipment, but hope.

PATIENTS ARE:
Identified in their villages

Brought to the hospital

Treated with dignity

Returned safely to their homes











> No patient is asked:
> **"Can you come to us?"**
> Instead, LEF asks:
> **"How can we reach you?"**

LONG DISTANCES
Traveling 100–150 km every single day

DIVERSE TERRAINS
Mountains, rivers, deserts, and plains

UNWAVERING COMMITMENT
No matter the challenge, we reach them

CARRYING HOPE
We don't just bring care, we bring hope



A SYSTEM BUILT ON TRUST

LEF's greatest strength lies not just in infrastructure — but **in people.**

4000+
community volunteers

Former patients
turned changemakers

Local guardians
of eye health

Bridges
between the hospital and the village





THEY ENSURE THAT:

- No case goes unnoticed
- No patient feels alone
- No family loses hope

> "Our volunteers are the heart of our mission. They carry our values. They create change. They make restoration possible."

CARE THAT GOES DEEPER

Through its services, LEF addresses the **full spectrum** of eye care:

Cataract and advanced surgeries
Restoring clear vision and independence.

Pediatric eye care
Nurturing healthy vision from the very beginning.

Retina and diabetic eye disease
Specialized care for complex and chronic conditions.

Preventive screenings and awareness
Detect early. Educate always. Protect for life.









THIS YEAR:

152,268 patients received hospital-based care (OPD)

544,576 individuals were screened through outreach (ORC)

Together, they reflect a system that is not reactive — but deeply **preventive and proactive.**



DIGNITY AT THE CENTRE

When vision is restored,
something deeper is healed.

A worker
regains livelihood
Work returns.
So does self-respect.

A mother
regains independence
She can care, decide
and dream again.

A child
regains confidence
Learning becomes easier.
The future looks brighter.

A community
regains strength
Stronger together.
Moving forward together.







LEF does not just restore eyesight.
It restores dignity, identity, and possibility.

Because every person deserves to live with dignity.
Because every life has purpose.
Because together, we can create a more inclusive tomorrow.

SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH COMPASSION









The model is built on balance:

Free and subsidized care for those in need
No one is turned away due to inability to pay.

Paying patients supporting the system
Cross-subsidization ensures care for all.

Partnerships with local institutions
Working together to strengthen communities.

Deployment in low-resource settings
Reaching where eye care is needed the most.

EVEN IN REMOTE AREAS, WHERE INFRASTRUCTURE IS MINIMAL, LEF ADAPTS:

In collaboration with Govt and Other NGO run OTs
Pooling resources. Expanding access.



Mobile surgical teams
Taking specialists and surgeries to the doorstep of communities.



Seasonal planning for extreme climates
Adapting to floods, heat, and harsh geographies.



This makes LEF not just **impactful** — but **scalable and sustainable.**

LOOKING AHEAD: A LARGER VISION



The journey is far from over.
Millions still wait in silence —
unable to see, unable to access care.



> "Together, we can build a future where no one is left in the dark."

LEF's commitment remains unwavering:

To expand reach into deeper geographies
Reaching the unreached, where the need is greatest.

To strengthen pediatric and preventive care
Nurturing young eyes. Building a healthier tomorrow.

To scale advanced treatments
Bringing world-class care within everyone's reach.

To ensure no one is left behind
Because every life deserves the gift of sight.



REFLECTION



At Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation,
every restored eye tells a story.

A story of **resilience.**

A story of **care.**

A story of **light** returning
after darkness.







And behind every story stands
a collective effort —
of doctors, volunteers, partners,
and supporters like you.

> Because in the end,
> This is not just about vision.
> It is about giving people the ability to
> **live, work, dream, and hope again.**



CASE STUDY 2025–2026

Malati Sahis, a humble resident of Kashipur Napara in Kashipur, Purulia, had been living in a world of fading light for nearly five long years. As her vision dimmed, so did her independence. Simple, Simple daily tasks became overwhelming, and due to financial hardship, seeking medical care remained an unfulfilled hope.

Her life took a hopeful turn when her son learned about a **free eye screening camp** organized by Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation in Kashipur. Holding on to this opportunity, he brought his mother to the camp—perhaps not knowing that this decision would change her life forever.

During the examination, it was discovered that Malati Devi was suffering from cataract, the very cause behind her prolonged suffering and blurred vision. When the condition and its treatment were gently explained, she gathered the courage to say yes to surgery.

Soon after, she underwent a successful cataract operation at our hospital.

Today, Malati Devi sees the world clearly again. More importantly, she has regained her independence and dignity. She can now manage her daily activities on her own—something that once seemed impossible. The smile on her face reflects not just restored vision, but a renewed life.

Filled with gratitude, she has expressed her heartfelt thanks to the hospital and the entire team whose care and compassion helped her step out of darkness and into light once again.

> "You gave me my sight back, but also my life." – Malati Sahis



BEFORE SURGERY



DURING EXAMINATION



DURING CATARACT SURGERY



AFTER SURGERY – VISION RESTORED

A LIFE RESTORED. A FUTURE RECLAIMED.

Bibhas Chandra Bauri, a hardworking daily wage laborer from Kashipur in Purulia district, has always relied on his physical strength and determination to support his family. As the sole breadwinner, his daily earnings from fieldwork and odd jobs were the only means of sustaining his household.

But over the past two years, his life slowly began to change. As his vision faded, so did his ability to work. Tasks that once felt routine became increasingly difficult, and opportunities for work began to slip away. With diminishing income came growing financial hardship, placing immense pressure on him and his family. For Bibhas, it was not just his eyesight that was at risk—it was his family's survival.

Hope arrived when Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation organized a free eye screening camp in Kashipur. Gathering courage and with a sense of desperation, Bibhas attended the camp. There, after a thorough examination, he learned that he was suffering from cataract—the very cause behind his failing vision.

With compassionate care and timely intervention, the hospital facilitated his cataract surgery.

The transformation that followed has been life-changing. Today, Bibhas sees clearly again. He has returned to work with renewed confidence and strength, once again fulfilling his role as the pillar of his family. The burden of uncertainty has been replaced with hope, stability, and dignity.

With deep emotion and gratitude, Bibhas thanks the hospital and its dedicated team—not only for restoring his sight, but for giving him back his livelihood, his confidence, and a brighter future for his family.

> "You have not just restored my vision, you have restored my life."
> – Bibhas Chandra Bauri



BEFORE SURGERY



DURING EXAMINATION



DURING CATARACT SURGERY



AFTER SURGERY – VISION RESTORED

VISION RESTORED. A LIVELIHOOD RENEWED.

Jiten Karmakar, a small shopkeeper from Napara in Kashipur, Purulia, begins his day before sunrise—preparing and selling simple snacks that sustain not only his customers, but his own family. His modest shop is more than a source of income; it is the foundation of his household.

But over the past year, his world slowly began to blur. As cataract clouded his vision, even the simplest tasks—handling money, recognizing customers, preparing food—became increasingly difficult. Each day brought new challenges, and with them, growing anxiety about his ability to continue running his shop. Though he understood something was wrong, he did not know where to turn for help.

Hope arrived when Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation organized a free eye screening camp in his village. Gathering courage, Jiten visited the camp and shared his struggles. What followed was swift, compassionate action. The medical team diagnosed his condition and ensured that he received timely treatment, arranging for his cataract surgery at the hospital.

The change has been remarkable.

Today, Jiten sees clearly once again. He has returned to his shop with renewed confidence, serving his customers with the same warmth and dedication as before. His livelihood has been restored, and with it, a sense of stability and dignity.

With a heart full of gratitude, Jiten expresses his sincere thanks to the hospital and its dedicated team—not just for restoring his vision, but for helping him reclaim his independence and continue supporting his family with pride.

> "Thank you for giving me back my vision, my work, and my life."
> – Jiten Karmakar



BEFORE SURGERY



DURING EXAMINATION



DURING CATARACT SURGERY



AFTER SURGERY – VISION RESTORED

SPECTACLE CASE STUDY 2025–26

Case Study 1

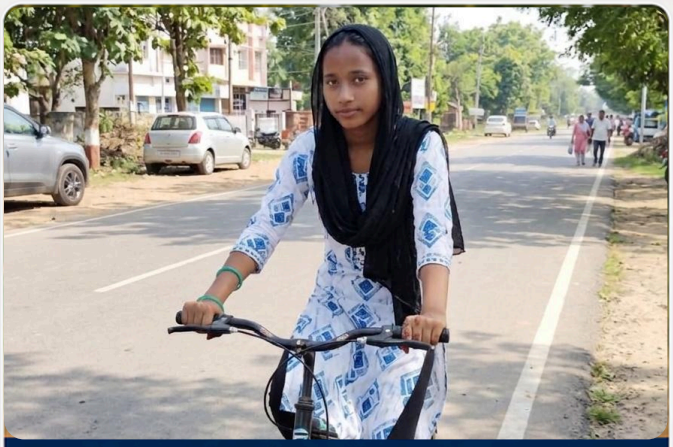
Chhaya Kumbhakar, a 14-year-old student in Class 8, comes from a humble background. Her father, Dilip Kumbhakar, is a poor farmer who sustains their family through his modest earnings. Every day, Chhaya courageously travels 10 kilometers to school on her bicycle. However, she faced immense struggles due to severe myopia (minus power), which left her unable to see clearly.

With no one at home to accompany her—her father being occupied with farming—it became extremely challenging for Chhaya to manage her daily commute and focus on her studies. In school, her vision problems made it difficult to read or write when teachers gave instructions. The family's financial constraints meant they could not afford a pair of glasses, leaving Chhaya feeling helpless and limited in her efforts to learn.

A ray of hope came on November 24, 2024, when a free eye camp was organized in her village by Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation. Chhaya visited the camp and, to her immense joy, **received a pair of glasses at no cost**. This small yet life-changing gift brought tears of happiness to her eyes. With her vision restored, she now confidently rides her bicycle to school and is thriving in her studies, filled with renewed enthusiasm and determination.

This remarkable transformation was made possible by the generous collaboration of the **Shrimad Rajchandra Love and Care Foundation**, whose unwavering support enabled this large-scale screening. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to bringing hope and light into Chhaya's life.

> "Now I can see my books, my blackboard, and my dreams more clearly. Thank you!"
> – Chhaya Kumbhakar



BEFORE: STRUGGLING WITH POOR VISION



DURING EYE CHECK-UP AT FREE CAMP



RECEIVING HER NEW SPECTACLES



AFTER: VISION RESTORED, DREAMS REIGNITED

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Case Study 2

In a small village named Bhalobasa, located in the Purulia district under the jurisidiction of Manbazar police station and Kashidi post office, lived **Rakhal Majhi.** He was a poor farmer and daily wage laborer. His father, Shripati Majhi, had passed away a few years ago, leaving Rakhal with full responsibility for his family. He had a wife, two daughters, a son, and his widowed mother. Despite his hard work, the little farming he managed to do was not enough to provide rice for the entire year.

To support his family, Rakhal started working at a small grocery shop in the village, earning only 150 rupees per day by working from morning until night. Somehow, this meager income helped him keep the household running. However, recently, Rakhal began facing a major problem—he couldn't see clearly. His blurred vision made it difficult for him to perform his tasks at the shop, and his employer started becoming dissatisfied with his work.

Though the shop owner advised Rakhal to seek medical help, Rakhal didn't have the money to visit a doctor or buy glasses. He felt helpless and worried about losing his job, which was the only source of income for his family.

At this critical time, a ray of hope arrived in the form of a free eye camp organized by Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation at the Comedy Primary School. Doctors from Para Eye Hospital came to the camp, offering free eye check-ups and glasses to those in need. Rakhal attended the camp, and after a thorough check-up, he was **given a pair of glasses—completely free of cost.**

With his new glasses, Rakhal's life changed for the better. He could see clearly again and perform all his tasks at the shop with precision and efficiency. His employer was happy with his work, and Rakhal felt relieved and grateful. The glasses not only restored his vision but also brought back his confidence and hope for a brighter future.

Rakhal is now very happy and deeply thankful to the doctors and staff of Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation. He also extends his heartfelt gratitude to the **Shrimad Rajchandra Love and Care Foundation,** whose support made this free eye camp possible. He has requested that such camps be held in poor villages like his every year so that others like him can also benefit. Today, Rakhal Majhi is living a better life and is full of gratitude.

> "Today, I can see clearly, work better, and support my family with confidence. Thank you LEF!"
> – Rakhal Majhi



BEFORE: STRUGGLING WITH BLURRED VISION



DURING EYE CHECK-UP AT FREE CAMP



RECEIVING HIS NEW GLASSES



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Case Study 3

This man's name is **Shyam Sutradhar**, and he is 35 years old. Sam lives in Namopara, Purulia, and works as a carpenter. His household consists of his elderly parents, his wife, and two young daughters. With no other source of income, his carpentry work is the sole means of supporting his family. His elder daughter is of marriageable age, but due to a lack of funds, he has been unable to arrange her marriage. Managing his household has become a constant and heartbreaking struggle.

For a long time, Sam needed glasses to improve his vision but could not afford them because of his financial difficulties. His deteriorating eyesight made his work even more challenging, adding to his stress and worries.

In October 2024, a ray of hope appeared when a free eye camp was organized by Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation in his village. Shyam attended the camp, where doctors from the local Para Eye Hospital conducted a thorough eye check-up and provided him with **a pair of glasses—completely free of cost.**

Receiving the glasses brought immense joy and relief to Shyam. His vision improved significantly, allowing him to work more effectively and without the constant strain. Overwhelmed with gratitude, Shyam expressed his heartfelt thanks to **Shrimad Rajchandra Love and Care Foundation** for their life-changing support. He also extended special thanks to the Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation, whose collaboration made this noble initiative possible. Shyam hopes that such camps will continue to be held in the future to help others like him who are in desperate need.

This act of kindness has not only improved Shyam's vision but also restored his hope and confidence, bringing a brighter outlook to his life and his family's future.

> "Thank you for giving me the gift of clear vision. Now I can work better and take care of my family with confidence."
> – Shyam Sutradhar



BEFORE: STRUGGLING WITH POOR VISION



DURING EYE CHECK-UP AT FREE CAMP



RECEIVING HIS NEW GLASSES



AFTER: VISION RESTORED, LIFE TRANSFORMED

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Transforming Lives Through Vision & Opportunity



> *When you empower a young woman with skills, you don't just change one life—you transform a family, a community, and the future of healthcare.*

At **Lokeswarananda Eye Foundation,** Para, Purulia, the mission of eye care extends far beyond clinical services— **it is deeply rooted in restoring hope, dignity, and opportunity.** Since 2008, this **100-bedded charitable super-specialty eye hospital** has served as a cornerstone of accessible and compassionate healthcare for underserved communities.



SKILLED TODAY.
HEALING TOMORROW.

nanritam
VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE
Empowering Youth. Enriching Futures.

SKILL TRAINING IN

EYECARE | TEACHER'S TRAINING | AGRICULTURE

NANRITAM VTC – BUILDING SKILLS, BUILDING TOMORROW.



In a significant milestone, **Nanritam Vocational Training Centre,** (Nanritam VTC) a new unit under Nanritam has been set up to impart **Skill training** for all sorts educationally qualified in the field of **Eyecare, Teacher's Training and Agriculture,** Especially **Ophthalmology and Optometry training** and various branches of the students who have interested to uplift and advance their career from existing level for the past one year.

SKILLS TODAY
SUCCESS TOMORROW.

Nanritam VTC received affiliation from the **National Council for Vocational and Research Training (NCVRT),** enabling the launch of a structured Diploma in Ophthalmic Assistant training program—an initiative that integrates healthcare delivery with sustainable livelihood creation.


EYECARE TRAINING


TEACHER'S TRAINING


AGRICULTURE TRAINING

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The inaugural batch of **37 trainees**, predominantly young women from economically disadvantaged rural backgrounds, reflects the untapped potential within these communities. With **completely free training**, along with **food and lodging**, the Foundation has removed critical financial barriers, allowing these individuals to pursue skill development with dignity and confidence.

Nanritam VTC is conducting regular theory classes, **4 classes in a week** of one hour each throughout the year, at its VTC Class Room, maintaining regular record of attendance.



Beside this, there were Practical Classes for all trainees **two hors in a week** and on job training throughout the year both in-hospital and in outreach camps.

Total **4 internal assessment tests** conducted and the performance of each student was documented.



These dedicated trainees are scheduled to appear for their final examination commencing from **20th April 2026**. For many, this marks a life-changing transition—from limited opportunity to professional identity, financial independence, and self-reliance. Several are expected to secure employment within the institution and across other healthcare facilities, creating a multiplier effect of socio-economic upliftment.



This initiative stands as a powerful model of impact-driven healthcare—**advancing women's empowerment, strengthening the rural eye care workforce, and delivering long-term community transformation.** It reflects the Foundation's unwavering commitment to not only restoring vision, but also shaping brighter futures.

> "Education is the most powerful tool which you can use to change the world. At Nanritam VTC, we empower minds, build skills, and create a brighter tomorrow."