

Vision 2020- The Right to Sight-India 11th Annual Conference on 6th & 7th June 2015

Venue: CL Gupta Eye Institute, Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh

Vision 2020- The Right to Sight- India organized the 11th Annual Conference on 6th & 7th June 2015 at Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh. The theme of the Conference was “*Excellence in Eye Care: Learning & Practices*”.

The two-day program offered four tracks & a common session to include topics that were a balanced mix of both clinical and non clinical. All the sessions had been designed to be highly practical and focused on drawing learning and best practices from eye care institutions and other related organizations that implemented community ophthalmology programmes successfully across the country.

The tracks offered were:-

1. Leadership & Service Excellence
2. Eye care delivery to the unreached
3. Quality Assurance
4. Skill enhancement for Optometrist/ Ophthalmic Assistants

The Conference was attended by delegates from various government and non- government organizations such as Ministry of Health & Family welfare, WHO, CBM, Dr. R. P. Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences, Indian Institute of Public Health, Sightsavers, Sankara Eye care institutions, LV Prasad Eye Institute, Aravind Eye Care System, UNICEF and other experts in the field of eye care

As Vision 2020 is an important partner of Sound Hearing 2030, Dr Suneela Garg (Director Professor, Department of Community Medicine, Maulana Azad Medical College & Coordinator, Society for Sound Hearing) and Ms Deeksha Khurana (Programme Officer, Society for Sound Hearing) attended the Conference.

ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT AT THE CONFERENCE

Dr Suneela Garg was invited for a session titled “Comprehensive and Cost Effective Eye Care through Outreach” which was scheduled on 6th June 2015. Dr Garg delivered a presentation on “Barriers and challenges to access of eye and ear care” with focus on assessment of human resources for delivering eye and ear care services. Ms Deeksha Khurana presented the findings of “Evaluation of integrated eye and ear project” of Dr. Shroff’s Charity eye hospital, New Delhi and Biratnagar Eye Hospital, Nepal. The session was chaired by Mr Suraj Senjam from Dr RP Centre AIIMS and Mr Kamlesh Guha from Siliguri Greater Lions Eye Hospital and moderated by Ms Mamta Singh from Mission for Vision.

During the Conference, IEC material developed by Sound Hearing 2030 and WHO was displayed at the Conference Venue. Dr Garg and Ms Deeksha Khurana also shared with the audience the report of “Evaluation of Primary Ear & Hearing Care (PEHC) project” of Dr Shroff’s Charity eye hospital and the proceedings of the recently concluded First World Congress on Ear & Hearing Care. During the conference, discussion was also carried out with a few private eye care hospitals which were interested in implementing the integrated eye and ear care project at their facilities.



IEC material of WHO displayed at Conference Venue



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