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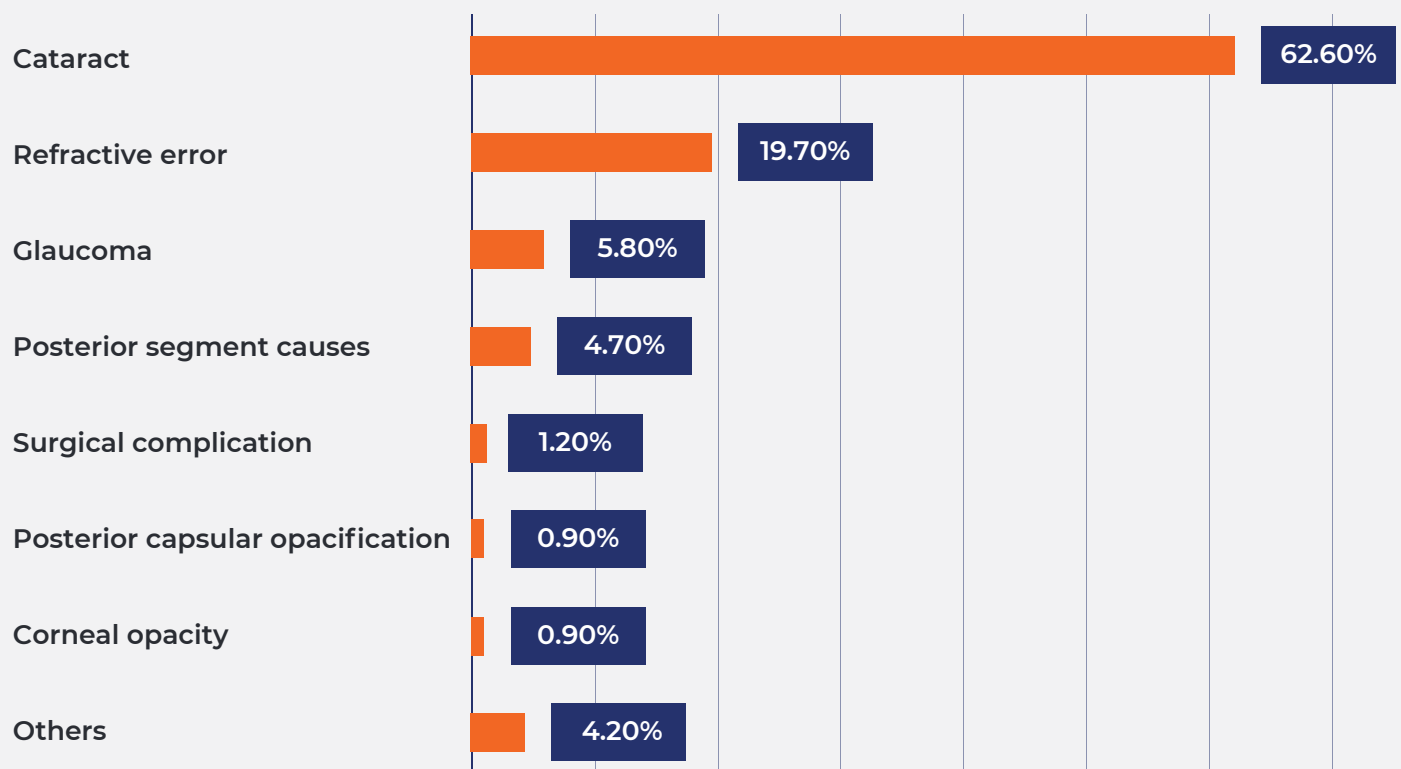
Providing Community Eye Care



SERVING THE
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CAUSES OF BLINDNESS



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National Programme for Control of Blindness (NPCB)

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Dear Supporters,

Vision Foundation of India (VFI) was established in 1993. The main objective of the foundation is helping financially needy people of our nation in not only diagnosing the eye diseases but also supporting them in availing the treatment like surgery, laser etc. Over a period of many years we have come a long way to start & execute many impactful projects to reduce blindness. I feel happy to inform that the activities of VFI are spread over 19 states and 2 union territories of India. We, at VFI continue to do whatever possible to reduce avoidable blindness from the lower socioeconomic strata of our country.

Our activities would not have been possible without the help of so many people including our internal team. I would like to express my immeasurable gratitude to:

1. Almighty for giving us the opportunity to serve people.
2. All the donors both corporates and individuals for providing financial resources.
3. My Co-Trustees for their continuous support and guidance.
4. VFI's Advisory Board of eminent personalities for truly encouraging and advising us whenever required.
5. Managing Council of VFI for providing innovative ideas and all allied support.
6. Ever proactive Ladies Wing, energetic Youth Wing and multifaceted Brigadiers team for providing on-the-go diverse help.

Our projects continue to make unimaginable impact both financially and on the quality of life of all the beneficiaries, emanating from the activities of Vision Foundation of India.

At this point of time I would strongly appeal to all to continue their involvement so that one day we can come closer to eliminating all avoidable blindness from our society

Sincerely

Dr. Kulin Kothari

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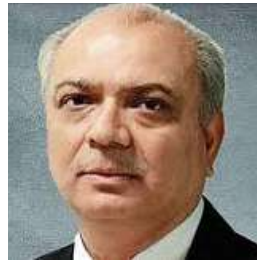
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"Vision Foundation supports many hospitals and also maintains proper discipline in everything and in best quality"

-Navinbhai dave

"Being a major donor, I am truly proud of the outstanding work being done by Vision Foundation of India for the poor people in Maharashtra and several states of India"

-Nihchal Israni

"Vision Foundation of India has been engaged in activities for last 27 years that transform lives through novel strategies meant to prevent and treat avoidable blindness across India"

-Minaxi Kothari

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ABOUT US

It was 27 years ago that Dr. Kulin Kothari, driven by a near obsession of making India blindness free, established Vision Foundation of India (VFI). An esteemed-ophthalmologist, he started the organization to eradicate curable blindness. Ever since, VFI has been enabling the treatment of destitute from all parts of India.

Dr. Kulin Kothari firmly believes, lack of money should never be the reason to have compromised eyesight.

VFI provides free eye checkups and surgeries for the downtrodden of society. The quality of eye care and medical technology is beyond the reach of most afflicted people in the country. The foundation therefore helps by giving them quality eye care free of cost, through advanced infrastructure and equipment.

VISION

To be the leading force in the fight against preventable blindness in India.



MISSION

To reach out to deserving and needy individuals suffering from curable eye ailments and to provide quality, timely and affordable treatment

OBJECTIVES

- To prevent the occurrence of blindness in our country to the extent possible.
- To treat all kinds of curable blindness.
- To establish a network of associate eye hospitals, NGO's, experts, advisors and volunteers located strategically in various parts of India.

WHY WE CARE

There are 39 million people globally who are blind and this figure is estimated to double in the next 20 years. Over and above this figure, 80% of this blindness is either preventable or curable.

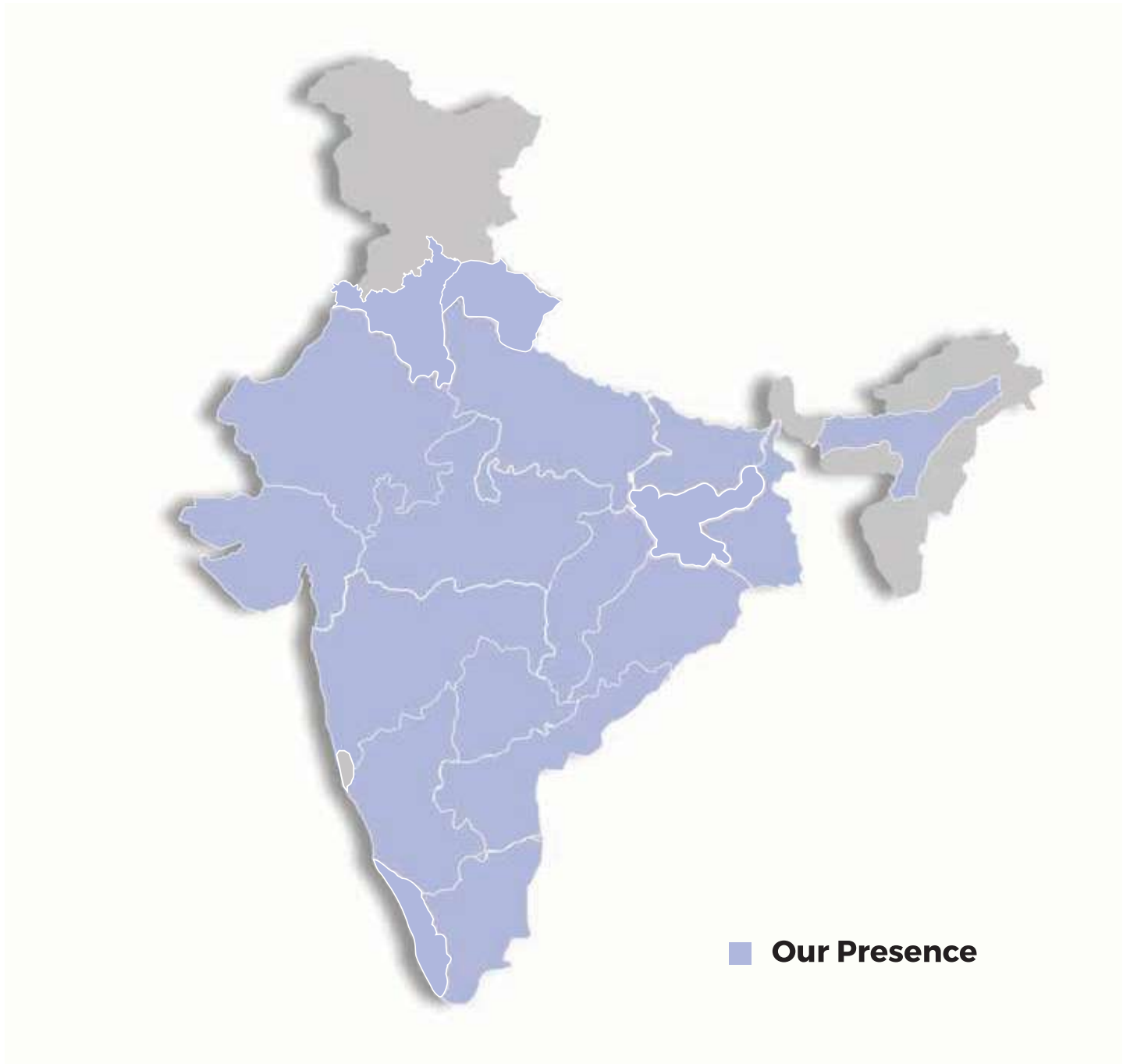
9 out of 10 of the world's blind people live in developing countries. In India this happens to be 4.8 million blind people, an overwhelming 12.3% of the world's blind population.

The leading cause of blindness is Cataract which can be prevented through proper treatment and surgery. The statistics on blindness are indeed staggering. For each person going blind the impact is enormous. Poverty and blindness is a highly undesired combination. Loss of sight most often results in social exclusion, making blind people vulnerable to abuse, destitution and early death.

ACROSS INDIA

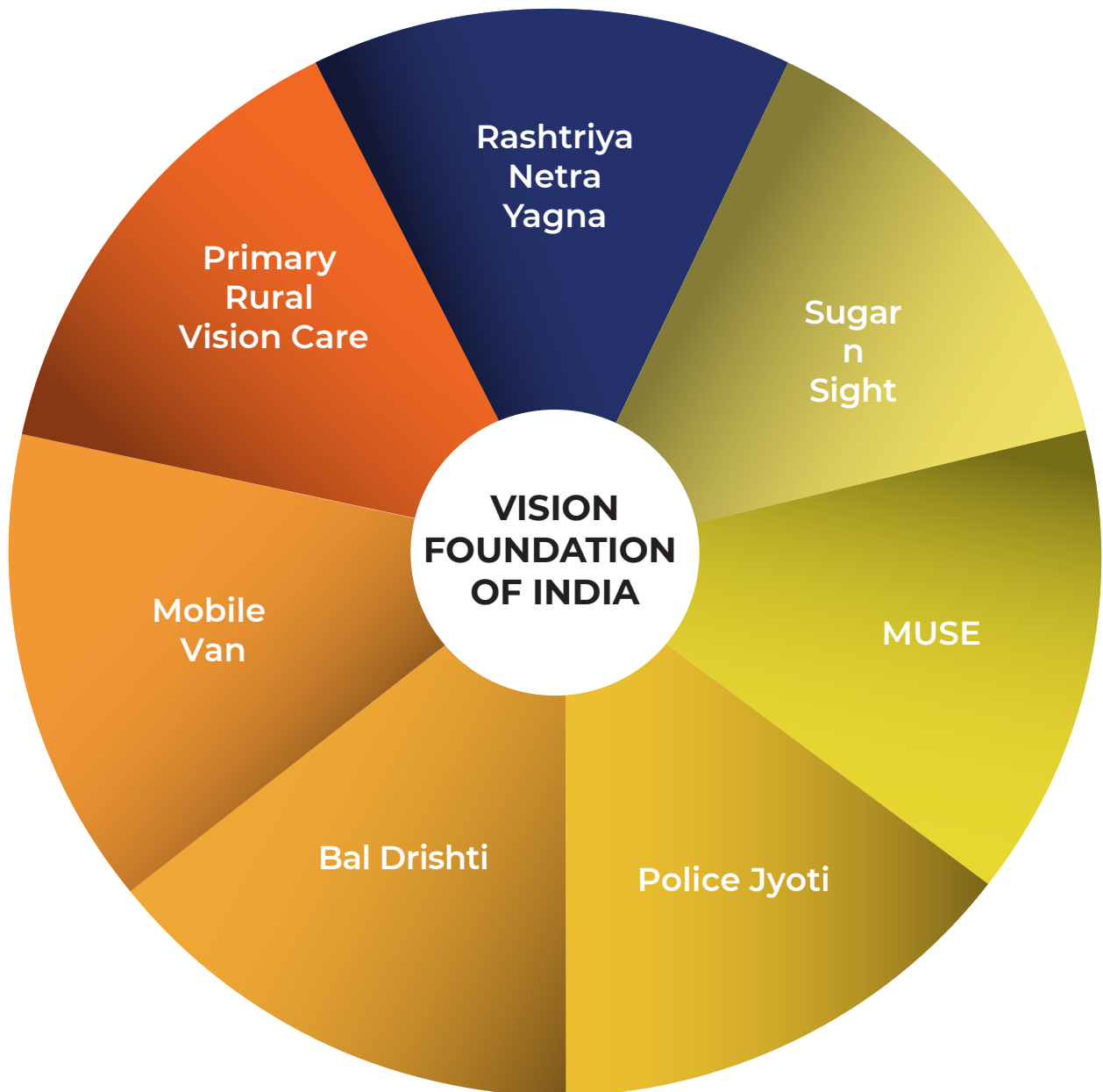
Vision Foundation of India has its presence in major states of the country and aims to reach even in the most remote areas.

To eradicate curable blindness from all across India is VFI's sustaining aim.



“EVERYONE DESERVES TO SEE.”

We rise by lifting others



PROJECTS OF VFI

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Rashtriya Netra Yagna :

Rashtriya Netra Yagna is an enduring initiative of the Vision Foundation of India that has been in continuance since 2015. Vision Foundation of India collaborates with charitable eye hospitals at Pan India level and financially supports these organizations to conduct free eye surgeries. The project is on course to perform 1.1 million surgeries by year 2026.

We are presently actively associated with 76 hospitals for this project in 19 states and 2 Union Territories of India.



Sugar n Sight (National Diabetic Retinopathy Project)

Vision Foundation of India has launched the Project, 'Sugar n Sight' – A National Diabetic Retinopathy Project. Under this project, population screening is done across the country to detect diabetic retinopathy with the help of Digital Imaging, Telemedicine and Artificial Intelligence. Not stopping at detecting, the treatment for diabetic retinopathy including laser, eye injections or eye surgery is also provided free of cost to the under privileged. The project targets to screen 10 lakhs patients in a span of 6 years.



Mumbai Urban Slum Eyecare (MUSE) :

For those living in slums, eye check-ups and treatment is unaffordable. Due to this, they tend to ignore even the most severe problems related to eye health. Primary eye care centers are established in the slums providing them proper eye care at highly subsidized rates /free of cost.



PROJECTS OF VFI

Police Jyoti

Launched in 2005 by the Commissioner of Police Mr. A.N. Roy for the benefit of Mumbai Police, the Foundation organizes camps at the base hospital or at various police stations. A special OPD session for those serving in the police along with their families is available at the base hospital. Police personnel are operated free of cost and treatment to their family members are provided at highly subsidized rate.



Bal Drishti

Vision is very critical to the overall development of a child and good vision gives proper inputs to the brain. Any interruption in the vision in the formative years not only impairs vision but also affects the brain and results in overall delay in development. Considering this, the Foundation conducts school screening camps at different municipal and private schools across India. Eye ailments are then medically treated by Foundation.



Mobile Eye Clinics Through Mobile Van

Lack of medical facilities and proper infrastructure makes it difficult for people in remote villages to reach even a Rural Centre. Hence the Foundation has developed a unique outreach program, whereby our infrastructure and expertise is made available to such people at their doorsteps.



“Helping one person might not change the whole world, but it could change the world for one person!”



PROJECTS OF VFI

Primary Rural Vision Care Centres

This concept was to improve eye care for the rural population, mainly targeting individuals with cataract. The Foundation reaches out to rural parts making vision accessible to the remotest parts of the country. VFI has relentlessly been serving the rural areas in Manor and Shahpur districts of Maharashtra.



Navnit Shah Eye Bank

Navnit Shah Eye Bank is a not for profit initiative by VFI that is committed to the noble cause of eye donations since its inception in 2000. It mainly works for awareness of eye donation and collection of corneal tissues from donors.



Stories of Impact

Uttara Samanta

Uttara Samanta's prayers were answered when she finally walked into the VFI's screening camp in Khetrahat Primary School and subsequently went to hospital and got treated for cataract. From someone who couldn't move a step without help to becoming someone who could do her chores by herself - VFI gave wings to her hopes which she had locked in a rusty casket by providing the treatment absolutely free to her.



Anarkali Devi

Anarkali Devi had become bilaterally blind with cataracts. All she could see was fuzzy white, like a constant fog (PL Plus). She couldn't even walk without help. Her son carried her on his back from their very remote village so that she could attend the screening camp in Aurangabad district. VFI had the urgent quest to change the world for someone who could sense the world slipping down her toes. Following successful cataract surgery, from VFI her vision was completely restored. Tears of joy rolled down her cheeks. VFI isn't just leaving a will but also a vision for people, it's working to build capacity within the local community to provide top quality eye care for all.



Sneha Dodmani

Sneha, a 13 year old girl from Mumbai was unable to pursue her education due to difficulty in reading as she was suffering from cataract. The family economic status acted as a roadblock on her way towards a bright career. VFI encountered her through a school camp held in Mumbai and did her surgery free of cost. She is extremely happy and satisfied as her dream to pursue her career became true by the support of Vision Foundation of India.



VFI IN SPOTLIGHT-



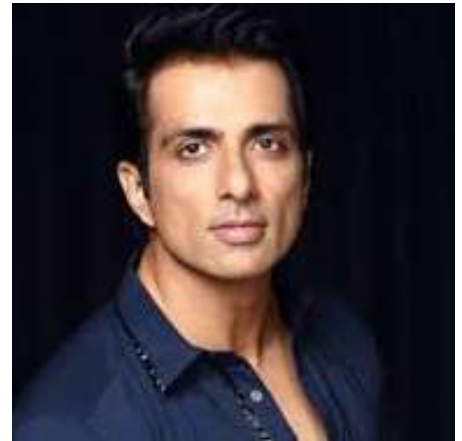
"Blindness is a major problem particularly for the underprivileged in our country. Vision Foundation is doing a lot to alleviate this problem amongst the economically weaker people of India. My compliments to Dr.Kulin Kothari and his team for this pioneering efforts in this area."

-Shri Ajay Piramal



"Loss of sight translates into loss of opportunities! In this field I am very impressed by the work done by Vision Foundation of India. They have a very innovative model which uses the underutilized infrastructure. I wish Dr.Kulin and his team the very best of luck in their mission."

-Shri A.M.Naik



"The Vision Foundation is doing an amazing job and is contributing towards changing lives. I feel proud that I know Dr.Kulin Kothari personally and I am blessed that I also get opportunity to be a part of his work sometimes."

-Actor Sonu Sood



"To serve humanity is service to God". I am very happy that Dr.Kulin Kothari has established Vision Foundation of India that does a lot of surgeries for those in dark."

-Dr. P.S. Pasricha



"Vision Foundation of India is a very noble objective of Dr.kulin Kothari, india's leading eye surgeon. We are not aware that most of the blindness is avoidable and DR.Kothari has pioneered this concept of conducting millions of surgeries without charging a rupee."

-Dr. Prakash Mody



"Vision Foundation and Mumbai police launched a project called Police Jyoti which focusses on providing free treatment to police personnel free of cost. Their noble work requires our support in all aspects"

-Shri A.N.Roy

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acts when
multiplied by
millions can
transform
the world”**



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I/We wish to sponsor _____ no. of eye surgeries @ Rs 2,000/- per surgery.

I wish to donate a lump sum amount

(*Please tick whichever applicable)

Total Rs. _____ by
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Donor Details:

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