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EYE BANK OF BIHAR

The **Eye Bank of Bihar** at **Regional Institute of Ophthalmology (RIO), IGIMS** is the **1**st **eye bank in the state of Bihar**. It was inaugurated on 18th October 2014 by the then Hon'ble Chief Minister of Bihar Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi along with the Hon'ble Health Minister cum Chairman of Board of Governors IGIMS, Shri Ramdhani Singh and Dr. (Prof.) N.R.Biswas, Director IGIMS. The Since its establishment, Eye Bank of Bihar dynamically moved ahead to its commitment of its responsibility of collection of transplantable donor corneas and elevated eye banking performance in the state of Bihar. The RIO is running under the leadership of Dr. Bibhuti P Sinha as HOD and Dr. Nilesh Mohan as In-charge, Eye Bank of Bihar and the whole team of doctors and staffs are committed to the accomplishment of its goals. As a leader in eye banking across the state, the Eye Bank of Bihar has contributed significantly to the effective networking and awareness programmes regarding eye donation across the state through promotion of community eye banking programs.

The Eye Bank of Bihar staff make use of state-of-the-art equipment and infrastructure and continuous improvement through training to execute all aspects of community eye banking including:

- Recovery, evaluation and preservation of donor tissues
- Distribution of tissues for corneal transplantation
- Research in cornea preservation and decontamination techniques
- Public awareness programs

From our modest beginning, we are growing slowly over the period into an independently functioning eye bank and resource centre. We have provided the gift of sight to over 70 patients till date in a very short period of time and continue to make strides in our ability to provide corneas to needy



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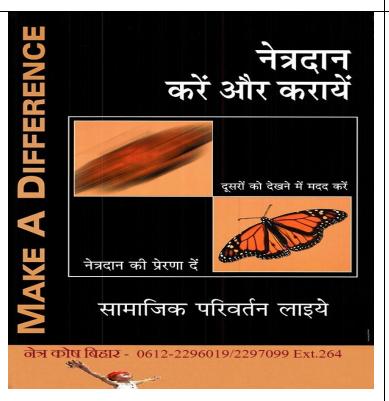
recipients each year.

Along the way, we have received support for different areas of our work from Rotary International Sight Life and various other NGOs

The Eye Bank Team comprises

In charge Eye Bank of Bihar - Dr. Nilesh Mohan

- 1. **Amit Soni** Social Worker & health educator cum Transplant Coordinator
- 2. Five Technicians
- 3. Four Hospital attendants
- 4. One Office attendant



Facts about eye donation

- Eyes can be donated only after death of a person
- Even if the deceased has not pledged his/her eyes, donation can be done by a direct voluntary donation call by relatives to the nearest eye bank
- Eye donors could be of any age group or sex
- Donated eyes must be retrieved within 4-6 hours of death for utilization in human eyes
- Eyes can be removed by a Registered Medical Practitioner/Technician
- The eye bank team will visit the home of the deceased or the hospital to remove the eyes
- Eye removal does not delay funeral as the procedure takes only 20-30 minutes
- A small quantity of blood will be drawn to rule out communicable diseases
- Eyes donated by persons having AIDS, Hepatitis B and C, Rabies Septicemia, Leukemia, malignancies and infectious diseases like meningitis and encephalitis cannot be utilized for corneal transplantation in human eyes
- Eye retrieval does not cause disfigurement to the deceased body
- All religions promote eye donation
- The identities of both the donor and recipient are kept confidential



Important Points

(To donate eyes following procedure should be done by the relatives)

- Close the eyelids of the deceasesd
- Switch off the overlying fan in the room
- Raise the head of the deceased slightly by placing a pillow underneath
- Contact the nearest eye bank as quickly as possible
- Give the correct address with specific landmarks and telephone number to enable the eye bank team locate the place easily
- If the death certificate from the physician is available, keep it ready
- The donor's family receives a certificate of appreciation from the eye bank later
- The eyes are taken to the eye bank and evaluated by a trained eye bank staff
- Tests are carried out and the tissue is sent to the corneal surgeon
- The waiting list is referred and the recipient is called for corneal transplant
- Corneal transplant is performed
- Periodic follow-up of the recipient is done over time to ensure that the graft is successful

There is a round the clock service with a vehicle and a driver available.

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Inauguration of 1st Eye Bank of Bihar on 18th October 2014:

















