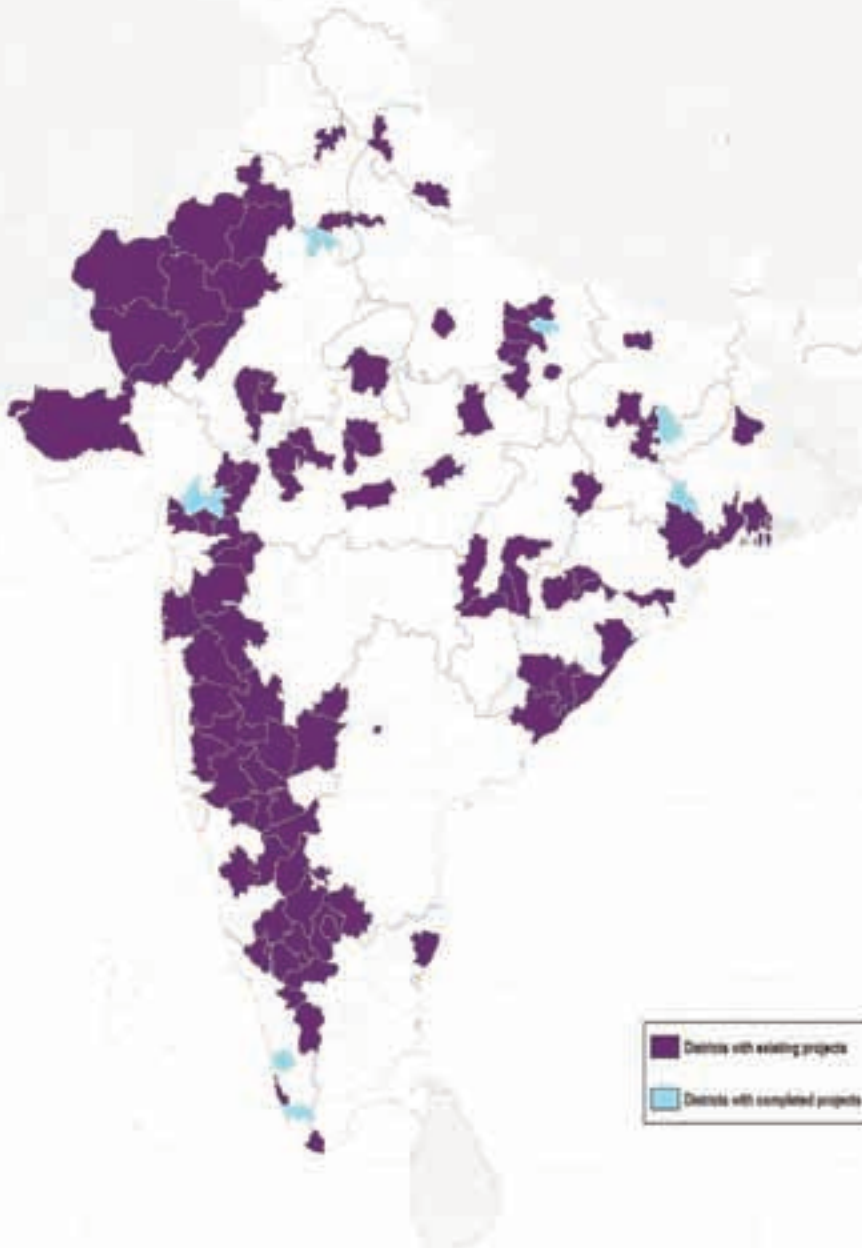


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# SIGHTSAVERS IN INDIA



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At around the age of 12 months, Pankesh's parents noticed that their son was struggling to move around and guessed that it might have something to do with his sight. He became very withdrawn and would spend hours and hours sitting quietly inside his home in a world of his own.

It was then that they heard about a screening camp by Sewa Rural (Sightsavers partner in Gujarat) through a friend from another village and decided to take little Pankesh along to see if anything could be done. At the camp, Pankesh was examined and diagnosed with congenital cataract in both eyes.

Pankesh underwent a successful cataract surgery and his life has been transformed as a result. He now runs around with all the children in the village and plays cricket and football.

Pankesh's father says *"I was delighted and relieved when we found out that our son's vision loss was reversible and are deeply grateful to Sewa Rural for transforming all our lives"*

They now ensure that whenever they go to neighboring villages, they tell everyone about Pankesh's successful treatment and urge others with eye problems to seek treatment before it is too late.



# Message from Regional Director - India Region



I am pleased to present the annual review for Sightsavers International's India programme which gives the highlights of our work in 2008 and the future strategic direction.

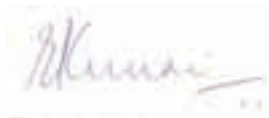
2008 was a year of landmark advocacy successes and innovation. The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disability became an international law, with India being one of the first countries to ratify this convention, enabling significant opportunities for disabled people in the country. The year also saw the dawn of accessible banking for people with visual impairment, through a historic directive by the Reserve Bank of India and the Indian Banking Association.

The National Programme for the Control of Blindness (NPCB) received a three-fold increase in NPCB's outlay in the 11<sup>th</sup> plan, a development in which VISION 2020: The Right to Sight-India, of which Sightsavers is a founder member, played a significant role in strategy planning and advocacy with top policy makers. 2008 also marked the beginning of a new public-private partnership between the government of Bihar, Susrut Eye Foundation & Research Centre and Sightsavers towards eye health reforms in that state.

Several Panchayats in Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh took on the responsibility of promoting primary eye care from its own funds. Disabled people in western Rajasthan are now included in the national rural employment guarantee scheme. Both initiatives demonstrate the impact of community ownership and the successful integration of eye health and disability with existing structures to reach out to people effectively.

The eventful year ended with the launch of Sightsavers' new strategic plan in time to meet the MDGs past the half-way mark, in support of the global fight against poverty. This strategic plan will form the backbone of everything we do from 2009 onwards, and reflect the changes we want to make in the world.

All this would not have been possible without the inspiration of the people for whom we work – our 'beneficiaries', the motivation of our partners and the unstinted encouragement of our supporters. My deep appreciation to Sightsavers' council, senior management team and colleagues across the world for their support. Special thanks to my team at Sightsavers India for their immense commitment to our cause and organisation.



Elizabeth Kurian  
Regional Director  
Sightsavers International - India Region

# Message from Chief Executive Officer



Sightsavers International has been working in India for over forty years. We remain committed to the elimination of avoidable blindness, and to ensuring that no one is denied their rights because they are visually impaired.

Sightsavers has helped bring eye care service to the least-served areas in the country, facilitated the treatment of millions of people and helped thousands of people whose sight cannot be restored to live more independent lives.

One quarter of all the blind or severely visually impaired people in the world live in India. That represents over 40 million people. Most of them live in abject poverty - this is particularly the case in the states of Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan.

Most of the blindness in India could be prevented or cured, most blind people are not in employment, and most blind children do not go to school. So there is a long, long way to go before we can say that Sightsavers work is done.

I visit our programmes here every year – I have special memories of our work in the Thar desert, in Uttar Pradesh and in the slums of Mumbai. In 2009 I will be visiting the Sundarbans in West Bengal to see our work there. I know our employees in India are very committed to our cause, and I hope the new strategic direction, which I know is fully aligned with their own ambitions, will bring an even greater sense of clarity and purpose to what we do.

Our work with the visually impaired contributes manifolds to the global development agenda with studies indicating evidences of the impact of visual impairment on multiple dimensions of poverty and also on aspects of the other Millennium Development Goals.

At the moment we are all struggling through one of the worst recessions for decades, which is making it more difficult to raise funds for our work. We will however redouble our efforts, as we know that however hard we find this economic downturn, it will hit our beneficiaries much harder in the long run.

With the help of our loyal supporters, we will continue with the fight!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Caroline Harper". The signature is written in a dark ink on a light-colored background.

Dr Caroline Harper OBE  
Chief Executive  
Sightsavers International

# Eye Health

## Pediatric care at door step

Sightsavers' partner, *Bejan Singh Eye Hospital* in Tamil Nadu uses a fully equipped mobile eye clinic to provide eye health services to children living in Kanyakumari. This mobile clinic is connected to the base hospital via VSAT which enables the doctors at the base hospital to instantly diagnose patients visiting the clinic.

## Comprehensive management of Diabetic Retinopathy in India

Diabetic Retinopathy has been identified as one of the significant causes of visual impairment in India. There are 41 million diabetic persons in India and each one is a potential candidate for loss of vision due to diabetic retinopathy. In 2008, Sightsavers supported the development and publication of a document entitled "*Guidelines for the Comprehensive Management of Diabetic Retinopathy in India*" through a consultative process involving experts. The manual will be an invaluable guide for ophthalmic personnel, programme managers and policy makers in planning and designing diabetic retinopathy interventions. The manual was developed by Aravind Eye Care System for Sightsavers and is now a publication under the aegis of Vision 2020: The Right to Sight - India.

## Panchayat Raj Institution takes on the mantle


Sightsavers' partner - *Tarun Sanskar Samiti*, a development NGO based in Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh) successfully advocated with the local Panchayat (self government) to support primary eye care needs under the latter's jurisdiction. This was achieved the result of the active involvement of the Panchayat from the beginning of the project. The baseline data was shared to inform the Panchayat of the enormity of the problem that existed among their communities. They were involved in all aspects of service delivery including tapping local resources, communication with the government departments, access to government schemes, distribution of spectacles etc. This has proved to be an excellent model of community ownership and demonstrates the use of existing structures to reach out to people effectively.

## CATARACT FACT FILE

Cataract is the world's leading cause of blindness. In India it accounts for 62.6% of all blindness among people over the age of 50.

A cloudiness of the lens, cataract stops light from entering the eye, and eventually leads to blindness.

If not treated early, Cataract may lead to permanent blindness. Although cataract cannot be prevented, it is relatively easy to treat, and a straightforward 20-minute operation to replace the cloudy lens with clear plastic one can restore sight to someone with cataract.



**2,924,803 PEOPLE WERE SEEN BY  
OUR LOCAL PARTNERS AND  
1,923,274 TREATED AS A RESULT**

*Dadan Chand in all smiles after a successful cataract operation at our partner hospital in Madhya Pradesh*

# Education

## **Bridging the technology divide**

A rural village in Andhra Pradesh now has a computer centre providing training to visually impaired children and youth on assistive technology. This will enable them to be at par on technology as their sighted peers. This initiative is a result of a collaborative partnership of three Sightsavers' partners: *Jana Kalyana Samakhya*, *Organization for Rural Reconstruction & Vision Aid*.

## **Training of SSA teachers**

Sightsavers' partner *Vivekananda Mission Asram* was selected by the Government of West Bengal to train teachers specially appointed for the visually impaired under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (Education for All) programme.

## **Bookshare shares its resources with the visually impaired in India**

In September 2008, *Xaviers Research Centre for Visually Challenged* tied up with [www.bookshare.org](http://www.bookshare.org) an online library of books enabling access for Indian blind and low vision people to its membership at a nominal price equivalent to \$10. This will open up many pages of literature which were hitherto unavailable for Indian readers and it will also help those students who are pursuing higher studies.

## **Education to the visually impaired) goes hi-tech in Basti, Uttar Pradesh**

Sightsavers' partner *Shikshit Yuva Sewa Samiti* was supported with laptops and relevant software for imparting computer-enabled learning to visually impaired children. The project in a short span has demonstrated excellent uptake and has made education interesting. It is a matter of pride for the visually impaired children as they are as computer literate as their sighted classmates. This additional skill has created a more inclusive environment for visually impaired children and they feel more enthusiastic, accepted and empowered.

## **EDUCATION FACT FILE**

In Sightsavers' inclusive education model approach, a visually impaired child lives at home with her/ his family in her/ his own community and attends the nearest mainstream school and studies with sighted children. A specially trained itinerant teacher assists 8 - 10 of these children in the areas where they need help.

Globally, experts say, only 2% of disabled children go to school. Statistics reveal that a child goes blind every minute.

Sightsavers is a member of the Global Campaign for Education and EFAVI which campaigns on education for all.



**WE SUPPORTED 1,472 CHILDREN WHO ARE VISUALLY IMPAIRED TO ATTEND MAINSTREAM SCHOOLS**

*Afsath, irreversibly blind by birth, being helped by the class teacher*

# Social Inclusion

## Eye care & broader development issues

Sightsavers' partnership with development organizations in Western Rajasthan has resulted in integrating eye care with broader development issues and has empowered blind persons to participate in national development programmes such as the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme that guarantees 100 days of wage employment to every household where adult members volunteer to do unskilled work.

## Sightsavers Dolphin Pen launched in India

The Sightsavers Dolphin Pen is a low-cost, lightweight USB pen drive with a screen magnifier and screen reader, designed to benefit those living in some of the world's poorest communities. It can enable visually impaired people to gain the same access to computers as sighted people and so develop their skills and employment prospects. The pen was launched in February 2008.

## UNCRPD & civil society organization

Sightsavers in collaboration with Voluntary Services Overseas supported a state level workshop on Civil Society Response to United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disability (UNCRPD). The workshop, organised by partner ADHAR, was attended by representatives from INGOs and state level NGOs in Orissa, aimed at enhancing the understanding of civil society organizations and their role in the implementation of UNCRPD.

## Spot certification of disabled persons

A multi disability camp organized by our partner *Organization for Rural Reconstruction* in Andhra Pradesh resulted in 1,500 persons with disabilities being certified on the spot. The camp was organized in collaboration with the District Disability Rehabilitation Centre and funded by the village Panchayat and the Andhra Pradesh government. It enabled access to various support schemes for disabled persons sponsored by the government (such as disability pension, concessions on travel etc).

## SOCIAL INCLUSION FACT FILE

People who are blind can become isolated from their community, making them totally dependent, vulnerable to abuse, poverty and even early death.

Sightsavers works with local partners to train people who are blind, in the kind of skills they need to lead independent lives and to advocate for their rights.

Sightsavers in 2008 supported 49 community based rehabilitation projects that catered to approximately 10 million persons in India.



**WE SUPPORTED TRAINING OF 3,250 IRREVERSIBLE BLIND PERSONS IN ORIENTATION & MOBILITY AND DAILY LIVING SKILLS**

*Sri Naveen Kumar Koila being trained on use of machine at our partner centre in Bengaluru*

## **Banking for all**

The advocacy efforts of Sightsavers' partner *Xavier's Resource Centre for Visually Challenged* resulted in a directive by the Reserve Bank of India and the Indian Banking Association towards making banking accessible for people with visual impairment. Earlier, a blind or visually impaired person was denied access to cheque book facility and bank ATMs. This will enable the blind and visually impaired customers to utilise all the banking services in the same way as any other customer.

## **Graduation in science a possibility for the visually impaired**

*Xavier's Resource Centre for Visually Challenged* has successfully advocated with the Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Studies in Maharashtra to bring out new guidelines for enabling visually impaired students to study science at the higher secondary level. The guidelines were officially issued on November 18, 2008. This, we hope will influence other state and central education boards to issue similar guidelines, making all streams of education accessible to all.

## **Child participation in eye care advocacy**

Remote areas in rural India often face the challenge of engaging children in the realisation of their rights and access to different services. Eye health is one such area where participation of children is negligible. Sightsavers in some of its Community Based Rehabilitation projects in Orissa promoted clubs for children to demand eye care services not only for themselves but also for the whole community. They have been playing an instrumental role in integrating the agenda of eye care in the overall village development plan.

## **Three-fold budget commitment by Indian Government to Blindness Control**

Vision 2020: The Right to Sight, of which Sightsavers is a founder member, supported the National Programme for the Control of Blindness to strategise for the 11<sup>th</sup> five-year plan. This involved developing a strategic plan with a significantly higher budget and advocating for its acceptance among top policy makers in the country. The new plan which is a significant shift forward to comprehensive eye care, beyond cataract, was accepted by the government of India with a budget three-times higher than the previous plan at Rs. 1250 crore.

Kritika Purohit, aged 16 is a budding girl with all the dreams and aspirations that any teenager would have. She wants to be the best at whatever she tries her hands at.

After clearing her Secondary School Certificate examination, she wanted to study science against all advise. She said, *“Why can I not study science when all my friends can do it? I want to be a physiotherapist with a degree and not with a diploma which most of my blind friends do.”* And there lay the catch—“Blind”. Kritika was born blind.

Kritika’s parents struggled to find her an admission. Most refused saying *“How would she perform practical’s?”*. After a lot of persuasion one college offered her provisional admission in science with an understanding that if the Maharashtra Board of Secondary Studies does not issue any guidelines for her examination, her admission will be cancelled. Kritika was not the one to give up. Right from her childhood she had refused to be bound by blindness. She studied in regular school and achieved her success with flying colours.

While struggling for her rights, Kritika and her parents came across Sightsavers advocacy partner XRCVC. She approached them and the battle began.

XRCVC’s advocacy with the government bore fruit when in November 2008, the Board issued special guidelines for examining blind students for practical’s. Kritika’s provisional admission was turned into a regular one and ofcourse henceforth no blind student will be denied his/her right to choose the study stream



# New Ways of Working

## **Public Private Partnership in eye care**

Public-Private Partnership (PPP) has emerged as an important strategy for health sector reforms in India. Initiatives have been taken by National Rural Health Mission to undertake different models of PPP in meeting the growing need for health services. In recognition of its significance, Sightsavers India has initiated two pilot PPP approaches in India, one in Karnataka and the other in Bihar.

### *Primary Eye Care (PEC) in Karnataka*

Sixteen districts in Karnataka now have access to primary eye care services. This was achieved through a PPP programme initiated by partner Karuna Trust, the government of Karnataka and Sightsavers. The services are provided through establishment of vision centres within selected government primary health centres in each of the 16 districts. This has helped in integrating primary eye care within primary health care, thereby providing accessible services to the communities in this area.

### *PPP to strengthen government service delivery systems in Bihar*

A new PPP approach for eye health was initiated in Bihar through a tri-partite agreement between partners Susrut Eye Foundation & Research Centre, Government of Bihar and Sightsavers International which aims at strengthening government systems through quality services and human resource development. It is expected that that this approach will give rise to a sustainable eye care service delivery model and the experience can be shared and replicated in other parts of the country.

## **A new approach to education programme**

Sightsavers in India has been supporting the education of the visually impaired since a few decades and has brought many children with visual impairment into the mainstream. Sightsavers in 2008 reviewed its approach to inclusive education for blind and low vision children and formulated a new approach which focuses on a district approach and with a strong integration with the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan programme. Sightsavers at all times is committed to working with the government and endorses this as the best way to sustain services towards a goal of quality education for all children with disabilities.

# Our Beneficiaries

Claudia Jankel/ Sightsavers

Monu Ravindran/ Sightsavers



**Name: Manoj**  
**Age: 10**  
**Location: Tamilnadu**



**Name: Sundar Lal**  
**Age: 70**  
**Location: Madhya Pradesh**



**Name: Bengo Bagh**  
**Age: 57**  
**Location: Orissa**



**Name: Jamu Devi**  
**Age: 50**  
**Location: Rajasthan**



**Name: Bhila Shankar Bhoje**  
**Age: 13**  
**Location: Maharashtra**



**Name: Kanda Ramanamma**  
**Age: 45**  
**Location: Andhra Pradesh**

# Income and expenditure

## SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2008  
(INR)

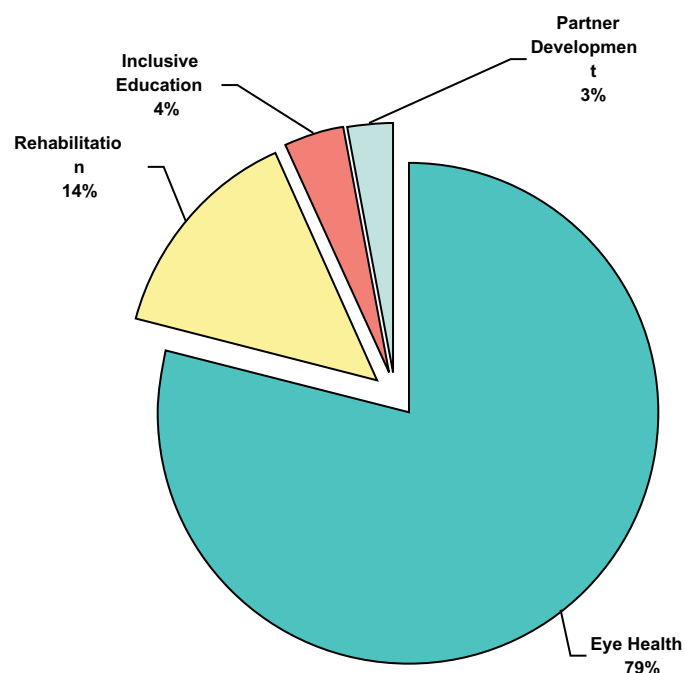
### *Incoming resources*

Donations	1,83,672
Grants from head Office <sup>1</sup>	23,22,47,977
Other Income	1,16,163
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>23,25,47,812</b>

### *Resource expended*

Charitable Expenditure	1,97,509,786
Programme Management Cost	3,52,68,516
<b>Total resource expended</b>	<b>23,27,78,302</b>

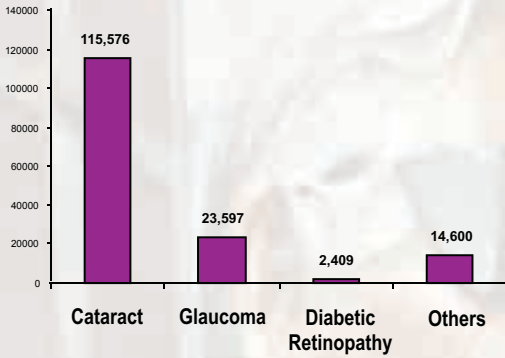
### Charitable expenditure (2008)



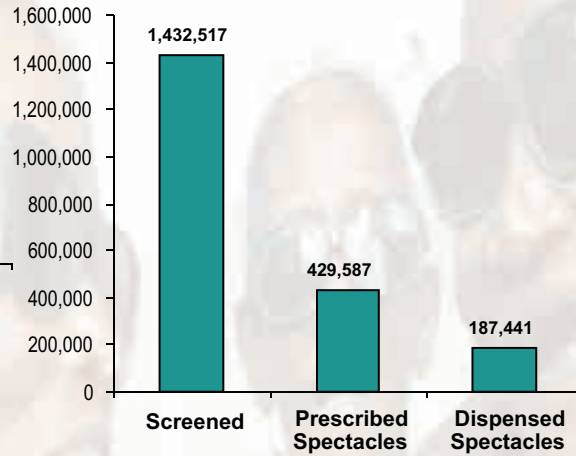
<sup>1</sup> includes direct payment by head office for purchase of ophthalmic equipments for projects in India

# Our performance in 2008

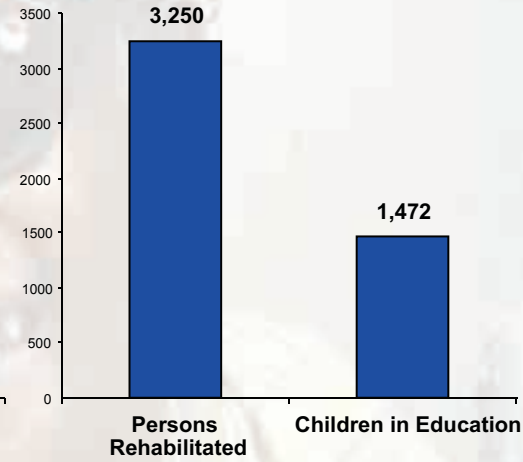
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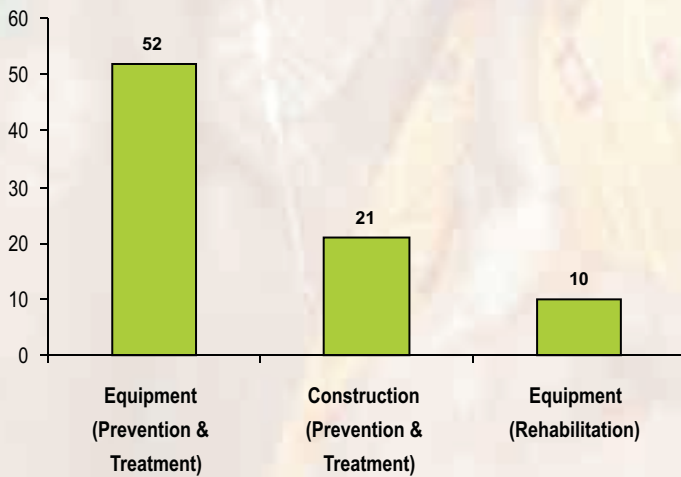
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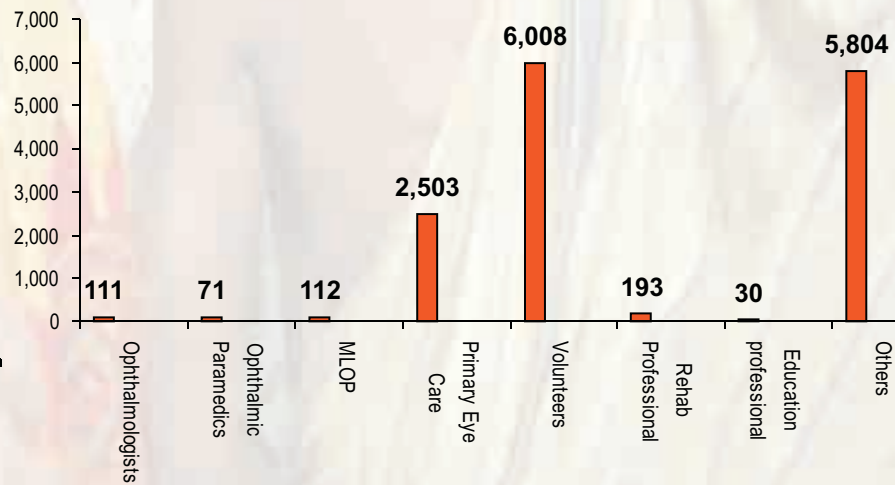
## Social Inclusion



## Equipment & Construction



## Capacity building



# About Sightsavers

**Sightsavers International** is a leading global development organisation working with partners in 34 countries to eliminate avoidable blindness and promote equality of opportunity for disabled persons.

UK-based Sightsavers International's work in India, which started in 1966, has supported the treatment of millions of persons with eye disorders and many thousands of irreversibly blind people have received support for them to realise their rights, needs and education to enable them to lead lives of independence and dignity. This has drawn attention to eye health and disability issues in many of the least served areas of the country and strengthened the capacity of several hundred partner organisations.

Path-breaking milestones in Sightsavers' immensely rewarding journey in India over the last four decades include: Sightsavers founder Sir John Wilson successfully advocating for the establishment of the National Programme for the Control of Blindness in India in 1976; contributing to the establishment of a unit in India to produce high-quality, low-cost intra-ocular lens and sutures which has revolutionised the affordability and quality of eye care; promoting the development of cornea preservation medium for eye banking and transplantation; and successfully campaigning for inclusion models such as integrated education and community based rehabilitation for blind and low vision persons, notably children; pioneering the comprehensive eye services approach which aims at addressing eye health and disability holistically within communities; mainstreaming disability through convergence with broader development; successfully advocating through Vision 2020: The Right to Sight for comprehensive eye care in the 11<sup>th</sup> plan of the National Programme for the Control of Blindness and enabling banking access for visually impaired persons through a historic directive by the Reserve Bank of India and the Indian Banking Association.

## SIGHTSAVERS FACT FILE

Sightsavers' vision is of a world where no one is blind from avoidable causes and where visually impaired people participate equally in society.

Sightsavers' mission is to work with partners in developing countries to eliminate avoidable blindness and promote equality of opportunity for disabled people.

A fundamental principle of Sightsavers' work is the delivery of services through local partners, which has underpinned the organization's activities for more than 50 years globally.

Mahesh Kumar scored a first class in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade board exams of Rajasthan state! With 70% marks, he is an inspiration to his community in Phalodi, in the remote Thar desert of western Rajasthan. One might ask what is so remarkable about Mahesh's achievement when one hears of exceptional academic accomplishments these days. Well - blind since birth, until three years ago Mahesh did not have any access to specialist education support. And he lives in one of the most challenging desert environments of the world. It was only after the intervention of Sightsavers partner URMUL Marusthali Bunkas Samiti, a renowned NGO working among the communities of the Thar, that Mahesh was able to study better with the support of a special education teacher and assistive techniques such as Braille.

Inspired by his teacher, Mahesh aspires to join the teaching profession, and is well on his way to fulfilling that desire.

Mahesh is one of the few fortunate blind children in India to have a supportive environment and is therefore able to pursue an education in the local government school. It is estimated that 90% of children with disabilities, i.e. around 7 million in India, do not go to school. Globally, over one-third of the 75 million children of primary age who are out of school are children with disabilities. Several factors contribute to this exclusion, mainly poverty, a lack of proper understanding of the concept of inclusion and insufficient leadership.



# Strategic Framework 2009 - 2013



2008 saw us adopting a new vision, mission and values, and a set of 'change themes', which will form the backbone of everything we do from 2009 onwards, and reflect the changes we want to make in the world. Our new strategic framework places beneficiaries at the heart of our work, takes account of external trends and recognizes the importance of partners and supporters.

We used a tool called the Balanced Scorecard to implement our strategy. We renamed it the **SIM Card** (Strategy Implementation and Monitoring Card). This guides our work and measures progress, like a SIM card drives a mobile phone. It comes in two parts, a **strategy map** and a **scorecard**.

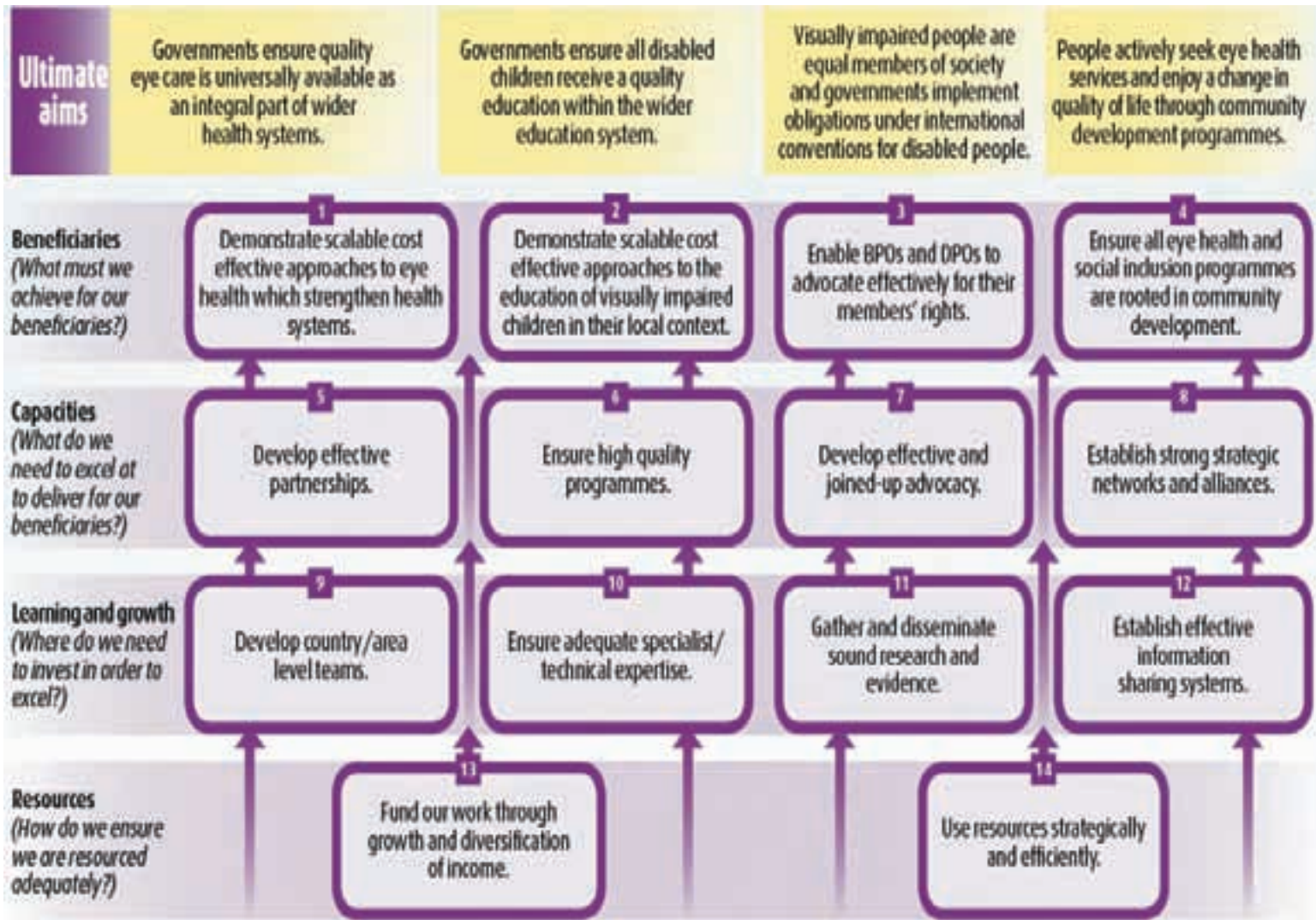
The strategy map breaks down the strategy into key objectives we need to focus on over the next five years. The scoresheet identifies indicators, with targets, for each of the objectives to monitor progress.

Our vision, mission and ultimate aim sit on the top of the strategy map. Moving downwards through the map: We will achieve our strategy by delivering objectives for our beneficiaries, as identified in the change themes.

We will deliver those objectives by developing key capacities. We will develop those capacities by making certain investments. We will make those investments by ensuring that we have adequate resources.

Every team developed a SIM Card for their area of work, ensuring that these were aligned with the organizational one.

## Sightsavers SIM Card



# Together we make a difference

## **ANDHRA PRADESH**

Jana Kalyana Samakhya  
Organisation for Rural Reconstruction  
Sankar Foundation  
Training and Research for Action  
Vizag Mid Town Rotary Charitable Trust  
Vision Aid Charitable Society

## **BIHAR**

LAKSHYA  
Muzaffarpur Eye Hospital

## **DELHI**

Dr. R.P. Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences  
Venu Charitable Society

## **CHHATTISGARH**

Christian Fellowship Hospital  
Dhamtari Christian Hospital  
Holy Cross Hospital  
Model Bastar Rural Development Society  
Prerak Samiti  
Raigarh Ambikapur Health Association  
Xavier Institute for Development Action & Studies  
GRIHINI

## **GUJARAT**

Kutch Vikas Trust  
Ophthalmic Mission Trust  
SEWA Rural  
Shree Jalaram Eye Hospital

## **JHARKHAND**

Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra

## **KARNATAKA**

Karuna Trust  
National Association for the Blind - Karnataka  
Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement

## **KERALA**

National Association for the Blind - Kerala

## **MADHYA PRADESH**

Arushi Society  
Dalit Sangh  
Smt. Gomabai Darbarilal Agrawal Charity Trust  
Jeevan Jyoti Health Service Society  
Madhya Pradesh Viklang Sahayta Samiti

Madhya Pradesh Welfare Association for the Blind  
M P Mansinghka Charities Trust  
Shri Sadguru Seva Sangh Trust  
Samaritan Social Service Society  
SAMBHAV Social Service Organization  
Tarun Sanskar Samiti

## **MAHARASHTRA**

PBMA - H.V.Desai Eye Hospital  
Impact India Foundation  
KB Haji Bachooali Charitable Ophthalmic and ENT Hospital  
Lotus College of Optometry  
Rotary Charity Trust Malegaon  
Rotary Bhuvan Charitable Trust  
Shri Bhariav Seva Samiti Trust  
St.Xaviers Resource Centre for Visually Challenged  
Tulsi Eye Hospital  
Vimala Society

## **ORISSA**

ADHAR  
Antyodaya Chetana Mandal  
Asha Kiran Society  
Jana Jagrana  
LEPRA Society  
Rotary Club of Cuttack Charitable Trust

## **PUNJAB**

Patiala Government Medical College

## **RAJASTHAN**

Barmer Jan Seva Samiti  
Dhara Sansthan  
Gramin Vigyan Vikas Samiti  
Human Benefit Services Trust  
Jai Bharat Sarve Kalyan Nyas  
LKC Shri Jagadamba Andh Vidyalaya Samiti  
Mahila Mandal Barmer Agor  
Marushakti Sansthan  
Pali Sewa Mandal  
Pana Party Jetaran Trust  
Shree Bhairav Netra Yagna Samiti  
Shree Gurudev Shantisuri Health Foundation  
Shree Paramatma Chand Bhandari Charitable Trust  
Society for Education Conscientisation Awareness & Training

Society to Uplift Rural Economy  
Urmul Jyoti Sansthan  
Urmul Khejri Sansthan  
Urmul Marusthali Bunkar Vikas Samiti  
Urmul Rural Health Research and Development Trust  
Urmul Semant Samiti  
Urmul Setu Sansthan

## **TAMILNADU**

Centre for Action, Development, Research and Environment, India  
Centre for Tribal and Rural Development  
J.M.Charitable Trust  
Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Medical Trust  
Sri Sankara Health Centre

## **UTTAR PRADESH**

Janpriya Sewa Sansthan  
Jan Vikas Samiti  
Khairabad Eye Hospital  
Mani Mandir Seva Nyas Samiti,  
Ginni Modi Community Ophthalmic Center  
Shikshit Yuva Sewa Samiti  
Shramik Bharti  
Viklang Kendra Rural Research Society  
Yuva Viklang Evam Drishtibaditharth Kalyan Sewa Sansthan

## **UTTARANCHAL**

Jeevandan Medical Centre  
Nirmal Mission for Vision

## **WEST BENGAL**

Southern Health Improvement Samity  
Sunderban Social Development Centre  
Susrut Eye Care Foundation and Research Centre  
Vivekananda Mission Asram

## **STRATEGIC ALLIANCES**

Vision 2020: The Right to Sight - India  
Aravind Eye Care System  
LV Prasad Eye Institute  
Blind People's Association  
NAB India  
Education For All Children with Visual Impairment

# Thank you



A special thanks to our generous supporters in 2008

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Linnet Trust  
Morris and Sally Phillips Charitable Trust  
N Smith Charitable Settlement  
Oliver Stanley Charitable Trust  
Rotary Club of Perth Kinnoull  
Sandra Charitable Trust  
Smith Charitable Trust  
Steinberg Family Charitable Trust  
The Gemini Trust  
Tolkien Trust  
Tory Family Foundation  
Windfall Trust

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