

WHEREAS

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the DME and NECT is intended to strengthen collaboration between the two Organizations for the comprehensive Eye Care activities to be conducted as Enriching Eye Health for school children in 10 Districts of Karnataka State.

Director of Medical Education(DME) with Functions and services of the Directorate :

- To provide Specialized Medical Care and medical facilities to people through hospitals. To impart quality Medical Education to undergraduates, P.G. and Super Specialty postgraduates through Medical Colleges and Teaching hospitals.
- To provide training in para-medical courses like nursing and medical and laboratory technology. etc. through Medical Colleges and Teaching Hospitals.

AND

Nayonika Eye Care Charitable Trust(NECT) is a non-profit organization Founded in 2012, having its registered office at # 18, 3 rd main, Raghavendra circle, T.C. Palya main road, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore - 560016. (here in after referred to as NECT).

Nayonika Eye Care Charitable Trust (NECT) was established in the year 2012 by Mr. Prashant S B with MBA from Central Michigan University, USA and Dr Surekha, an ophthalmologist who has over 20 years of Eye Health Professional and Management Experience.

NECT has succor till date over 25.5 lakhs free eye screening which includes 44,000 free cataract surgeries, over 123000 free spectacles and over 9000 free Diabetic retinopathy screening through our 7 innovative eye health projects covering cataract in rural and urban, school eye health programs and eye health awareness.

Nayonika Makala Netra/Chhatra Dristhi- SCHOOL Eye Health launched in Karnataka state in 2017 been a successful project which includes

1. Eye Health Awareness : Installation of Nayonika Vision Wall in all Government Schools of the Districts - Belgaum District been a successful model.
2. Support of Spectacles: Children Identified with RE would be Provided with Free Spectacles and Project been supported by Essilor Vision Foundation and have distributed over 20,000 Free Spectacles across state of Karnataka (Bangalore, Bidar, Bellary, Belgaum).
3. Paedetric Surgeries: Children requiring surgeries would be conducted free of cost in our tertiary partner hospital, RIO Bangalore. Minto Ophthalmic Hopsital. Over 200 children been benefitted till date.
4. Success of RIO, Bangalore been scaled to RIO Chennai, RIO Hyderabad, Bhopal, Kanpur and Punjab.

This MOU broadly describes the arrangements under which the parties will collaborate to demonstrate an initiative to ensure provision of eye health services in our Joint Efforts to drive Karnataka state towards Avoidable Blindness Free State. Since both share the common goal and synergy would be enriching eye health for Government school children.

Districts and Colleges to be Supported:

- Bidar Institute of Medical Sciences, Bidar
- Gulbarga Institute of Medical Sciences, Gulbarga
- Raichur Institute of Medical Sciences, Raichur
- Yadgiri Institute Of Medical Sciences, Yadgiri
- Koppal Institute of Medical Sciences, Koppal
- Gadag Institute of Medical Sciences, Gadag
- Kodagu Institute of Medical Sciences, Kodagu
- Mandya Institute of Medical Sciences, Mandya
- Chamrajanagar Institute of Medical Sciences, ChamRajnagar
- Sridevi Institute of Medical Sciences, Tumkur

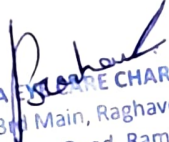
Project Implementation:

- NECT would Setup Vision Centres(VC) in each of these 10 Districts
- NECT would support Nayonika Vision Walls to all Schools covered by the VC
- Children identified by VC for RE would be provided Free Spectacles
- Children identified for Surgeries would be referred to RIO or Project identified Tertiary hospital for surgeries
- Lens required for Surgeries to be supported by NECT
- Entire HR to be borne by DME-Medical College.
- Based on Need basis and Demand analysis, Project can be scaled to be more VCs to benefit the entire community.
- Machines will be donated to DME-Medical colleges.
- Regular Reporting of the number of screening, number of Spectacles requirements to be shared for smooth implementation of the project.
- Based on the demand and geographical location, Paedetric Eye Health Surgery unit to be established in North Karnataka state to support all children identified for surgeries.

TERMS OF THE UNDERSTANDING

- DME and NECT agree to acknowledge each other in all the projects implemented under this scheme.
- Innovations with respect to technical expertise and developing the new models for care delivery shall be respected and acknowledged as the intellectual property but for the bigger and deeper impact each party may agree to deliver the care with mutual understanding and consensus with each other.
- To protect the confidentiality of any information or document, data, or information until agreed upon and accepted as necessary, cannot be carried out.
- Publications, research and sharing of information related to the project need to be agreed upon by both the parties involved in this agreement in case of joint collaboration and with prior permission from the government
- Amendment, any modification, alteration or amendment into this MOU shall be made as per the requirement of the community /availability of the fund/prevalent conditions on mutual agreement of both the parties.


**Director of Medical Education
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- This MOU shall enter into force upon signatures as below.


Signed by the authorized signatories of the Parties in

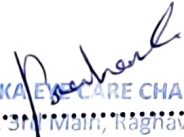
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