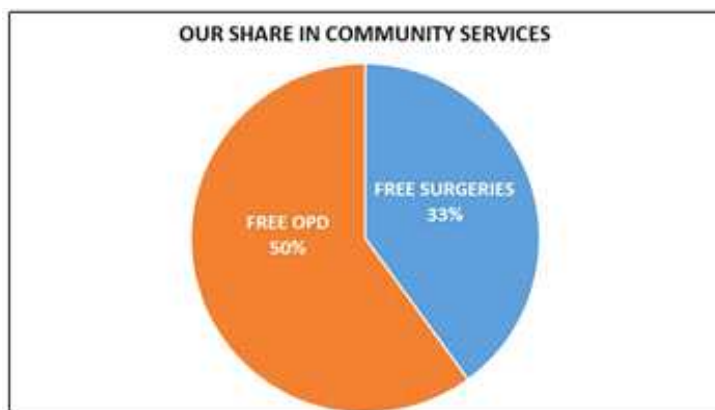




Seeking support for Patient Mobilization Vehicle



Founded in 1978 by Dr. S. S. Badrainath, Sankara Nethralaya treats an average of 2500 to 3000 outpatients daily. This tertiary care eye hospital is the clinical services and patient care arm of 'Medical Research Foundation'



About 50% of the out-patient department and 35% of the surgeries are done free of cost to the underprivileged.

SANKARA NETHRALAYA COMMUNITY SERVICES:

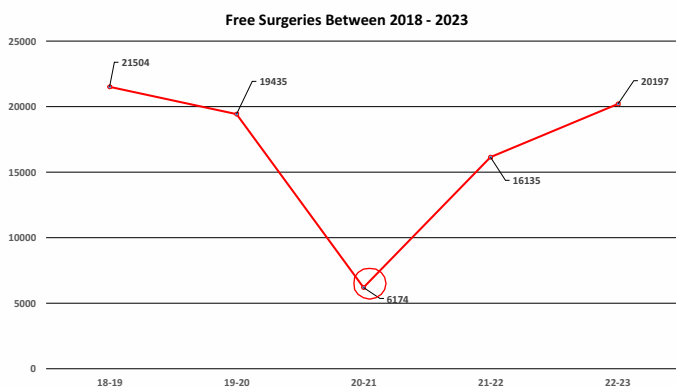
Our community service initiatives conduct free surgeries for those with an income of less than US \$240 per month. Sankara Nethralaya also conducts screening camps at schools, eye camps for laborers, skilled and unskilled workers, and visits rural areas to screen remote populations.

Jaslok Community Ophthalmic Center (JCOC)

The community services facility is located on the spacious Dr. V. G. Appukutty campus and can handle larger volumes of needy patients from all over India. It is equipped with the latest in eye healthcare equipment to better serve the underprivileged patients. The facility has spacious wards, capable of accommodating at least a 100 patients at a time and 7 operating theatres. With the support of kind-hearted donors, free patients are able to access premium eye healthcare, from minor surgeries such as for cataracts, or complex surgeries such as glaucoma, with free stay and nutritious meals, at no cost to themselves. Around 71 lakh patients were provided free (OP) eye care and 355,335 free surgeries performed since inception. Our community services demands no payment or registration from our free patients.



A glance at SN's nationwide cost free surgeries



The need for Patient Mobilization Bus at SN:

Sankara Nethralaya engages in community services in remote rural areas and in urban localities with little access to public transport. Patients who are too poor or require someone to accompany them to and from our centers are greatly benefitted by our patient mobilization program.

Our eye screening camps screen patients for cataracts and other eye complications, and offer free treatment. In case of eye surgery, Sankara Nethralaya provides free pick up and drop to and from the base hospital to patients.

Patients from rural eye screening camps from as far away as 180km to 200km from Chennai are able to come for follow ups without worrying about transport costs due to our free patient mobilization services. We receive special permits from the neighbouring states such as Andhra Pradesh to take our patient mobilization vehicle into their state and bring patients to the base hospital for surgery/treatment. The patient mobilization initiative is a great boon for patients in outlying rural areas as they do not have to depend on public transport to access basic eye care.

Deliverables from Sankara Nethralaya:

- SN shall prominently display the name of the sponsor on the side of the vehicle
- The general public will be made aware of the sponsor's generous philanthropic gesture by means of the logo or name on the vehicle.

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