

Report on

WORLD SIGHT DAY-2004



SANDHANI NATIONAL EYE DONATION SOCIETY

AND

ORBIS INTERNATIONAL, BANGLADESH COUNTRY OFFICE

Introduction: Sandhani National Eye Donation Society and ORBIS International were decided observing the World sight day-2004. ORBIS International, Bangladesh Country office financially supported Sandhani National Eye Donation Society for successfully observing World Sight Day-2004 in Bangladesh. Sandhani National Eye Donation Society organized various programs in different zones on request of ORBIS International Country office. SNEDS organized and celebrated this day for first time. ORBIS International, Bangladesh country office and SNEDS organized several meetings in this regard for sharing their understanding. We are explaining our activities for observing World Sight Day-2004 below.

Poster

Number of Posters Printed for World Sight Day-2004	: 30,000 Pcs
Sandhani Dhaka Zones and Units	: 16,000 Pcs
All other Sandhani Zones and Unites	: 12,000 Pcs
ORBIS and Others	: 2,000 Pcs

Banner

Number of Banners produced for World Sight Day	: 66 Pcs
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Location of Banner : Shahabag Turn, Kataban, Elephant Road Bata Signal, Farmgate, Bangladesh Medical College, Bijoy Sarony, Dhanmondi Bus Stand, Zigatola, Dhanmondi 15 no, Asad gate, Shamoli, New market etc.

Leaflet

Printed leaflet	: 20,000 pcs
Distributed Leaflet	: 18,000 pcs

Seminars

Number of Seminars Organized	: 11 nos
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Sandhani Zones:

- Barisal Medical College Hospital Zones
- Rangpur Medical College Hospital Zones
- Sir Sallimullah Medical College Hospital Zones
- Rajshai Medical College Hospital Zones
- Bangladesh Medical College Hospital Zones

- Mymensing Medical College Hospital Zones

Sandhani Unites:

- Faridpur Medical College unit
- Bogora Medical College unit
- Dinajpur Medical College unit
- Comilla Medical College unit

Sandhani Central Office:

- Dhaka Medical College Hospital

Program : 1

The main program was held at VIP lounge of Dhaka press club auditorium. The program was organized by Sandhani National Eye Donation Society Central office. The honorable Law minister of Bangladesh Government, Barrister Mr. Maudud Ahmed M.P and the Secretary for forest and environment, Peoples' Republic of Bangladesh, Dr. Soeb Ahmed , were attended the program as chief and special guests respectively. Many people including countries renowned doctors, journalists, heads of different organization, and general people attended the program.

The program was started at 1: 00 p.m of the local time on 14 th October, 2004. Professor Abul Kalam Azad, one of the vice presidents of SNEDS conducted the program. In his speech the Chief guest said that it is such an excellent program from which people of our country could know about country's blindness condition. He told that Bangladesh Government also had its strong support for vision-2020's mission.



Program of World Sight Day-2004

He also urged that this program must be observed on regular basis in Bangladesh. He told that he felt proud to attend the program and conveyed his thanks to the organizers for arranging program for the “**World Sight Day-2004**”. In the program leaflets in Bengali were also distributed among the audience.

Program: 2

Sandhani's Sir Salimullah medical College zone organized the program for "World Sight Day" -2004. The program was held on 13th October at # 1 Gallery of the Sir Salimullah medical College. Principal Professor Dr. Mohammad Abdullah and Professor Ehsan Mahmood were presented at the program as chief and special guest accordingly. Professor Mohammad Halim, Head of the ophthalmology department of Salimullah medical college conducted the program. Three- hundred people from different sectors attended the program. Dr. Moni lal Eich Litu, one of the members of the SNEDS, explained the importance of World Sight Day-2004 and the goal of Vision-2020 through a multi media presentation. His speech made the reason clear for targeting Vision-2020. General Secretary of SNEDS Dr. Saidur Rahman Khan also attended the program.

Program: 3

Barisal Medical college zone of Sandhani National Eye Donation Society arranged the World Sight Day-2004 program at F,I,M,C auditorium of Barisal Sher-e Bangla Medical College hospital at 11.00 am on 14th October,2004. Secretary General of Sandhani's Barisal Zones Dr. Faridul Hoque (Tutul) thanked all the attendants of the program and started the program. At first he introduced the honorable guests with all and then asked them to take their seats. He asked S, M, Javed Hossain, the central advisor of Sandhani to demonstrate the seminar.

The chief guest, Prof. A.S.M. Kamal Uddin presented his speech regarding the World Sight Day. He conveyed his thanks to all the concerned for arranging such a program. In the program the special guest of the program was Dr. Sheikh Abdul Jalil.



Sandhani's Barisal Medical zone conducted the program of "World Sight Day-2004"

Conclusion: World sight day is coordinated by the International Agency for the prevention of Blindness (IAPB) and is supported by organizations including UN agencies, governments, eye care organizations, health professionals, philanthropic institutions and individuals, all working together in a global partnership to eliminate avoidable blindness by the year 2020. We (SNEDS) observed that day with support of ORBIS International Bangladesh country office. This is the first time we observed that day. Bangladesh is such a country where almost fourteen lac people are blind. We recognize that 80 per cent of blindness could be prevented or be cured up. We delivered this message to our local community by our different programs organizing at different places. We believe that this kind of programs will help blind people for finding out a sure answer of their blindness.

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