



India's First Special Needs Vision Clinic for children, inaugurated on Nov. 14, at Hyderabad

Hyderabad: L. V. Prasad Eye Institute and RenewSys India Pvt. Ltd. have come together to launch a 'Special Needs Vision Clinic' in co-operation with Mission for Vision. Officially inaugurated on November 14, 2018, by Mr. Avinash Hiranandani, Managing Director, and RenewSys at L V P Eye Institute along with Dr. Gullapalli Nageswara Rao, Chairman of L V Prasad Eye Institute and Elizabeth Kurian, Chief Executive Officer of Mission for Vision.

This clinic is India's only such facility dedicated to the eye care of children with special needs. It has been established to provide the best possible eye care with the ultimate aim of improving the quality of life of patients with special needs.

Commenting on the occasion, Dr. Rao said, "Providing vision rehabilitation services to those with irreversible blindness and low vision is an integral part of our comprehensive eye care. Since the establishment of our institute, through our various rehabilitation interventions, we have touched upon over 1,75,000 lives of persons with low vision and blindness, of whom 41,482 are children. We observed that at least a third of these children have some form of developmental delays and disabilities, thus requiring specialized assessment and intervention besides standard clinical examination. In order to attend to the visual needs of such children, we have commenced a dedicated 'Special Needs Vision Clinic' through the partnership of RenewSys Private Limited and in collaboration with Mission for Vision. Through this collaborative initiative, we aim to create a larger impact on the children, parents, and caregivers".

Mr. Avinash Hiranandani, Managing Director, RenewSys said, "Right from its inception in 1961 the ENPEE group has been setting benchmarks for trustworthy, reliable and future ready business. This encompasses all spheres of our lives. RenewSys is the renewable energy arm of the ENPEE Group.

RenewSys stands tall as a world-class manufacturer of solar PV modules and its key components, made in India. Our commitment to the nation's development encompasses not just our duty as a member of the industry, but also to the communities we operate in.

We are privileged to have been able to partner with LV Prasad and Mission for Vision in making eye care an accessible reality for children with special needs. This clinic is one such significant outreach initiative because it addresses a need that has so far been unmet.

The clinic in the few months of setting up and stabilizing operations has already touched families and



It is heartening to see more children grow up into healthy, happy adults and we are committed to contributing to our nation's future. RenewSys is determined to continue supporting initiatives that aid the holistic development of our team and the community."

The project aims to provide comprehensive eye care services for children as well as for adults with special needs by assessing their visual needs with special assessment tools, providing appropriate spectacle prescription, low vision devices and therapies to maximize their functional ability. A multidisciplinary team consisting of an optometrist, rehabilitation specialist, vision therapist, physiotherapist, speech therapist, special educator etc. will be part of the clinical assessment and management. This project will be a part of the activities undertaken by the Institute for Vision Rehabilitation at L V Prasad Eye Institute, Hyderabad.

Elizabeth Kurian says, "Children with disabilities are at a much higher risk of having visual impairment than those without disabilities. In India, 10% (1.7 million) children are born with developmental delays and two-thirds of them have vision loss in addition to such delays. One reason for this higher rate among disabled children is that brain injury or prematurity underlies a range of disabilities, including learning disabilities and sensory impairments. Mission for Vision works to eradicate avoidable blindness and promote a disability-inclusive world among numerous communities. We are happy to partner with RenewSys India and LV Prasad Eye Institute towards the establishment of this Special Needs Vision Clinic, the first of its kind in India."

About L V Prasad Eye Institute

The L V Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI) was established in 1987 at Hyderabad as a not-for-profit, non-government, public-spirited, comprehensive eye care institution. LVPEI is governed by two trusts: the Hyderabad Eye Institute and the Hyderabad Eye Research Foundation. The Institute is a World Health Organization Collaborating Centre for Prevention of Blindness and a Global Resource Centre for VISION 2020: The Right to Sight initiative. LVPEI has ten active arms to its areas of operations: Clinical Services, Education, Research, Vision Rehabilitation, Rural and Community Eye Health, Eye Banking, Advocacy and Policy Planning, Capacity Building, Innovation, and Product Development.

The LVPEI pyramidal model of eye care delivery currently includes a Centre of Excellence in Hyderabad, 3 tertiary centres in Bhubaneswar, Visakhapatnam, and Vijayawada, 18 secondary and 177 primary care vision centres that cover the remotest rural areas in the four states of Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha and Karnataka. For further information, visit the Institute's website, www.lvpei.org

About RenewSys India Pvt. Ltd.

RenewSys India Pvt. Ltd. is the first integrated manufacturer of Solar PV Modules and its key components – Encapsulants, Backsheets, and Solar PV Cells.



We are a part of the ENPEE Group, a diversified global conglomerate with a heritage of over 55 years of manufacturing excellence and a worldwide network.

In 2012, we embarked on a focused journey, to establish vertically integrated solar PV manufacturing operations. RenewSys has two manufacturing facilities in India at Hyderabad and Bengaluru.

Our products include **Solar PV Modules** - 300 MW, expanding to 700 MW by December 2018; **Encapsulants** - EVA and POE - 1.2 GW; **Backsheets** - 3 GW, and **Solar PV Cells** - 130 MW.

RenewSys has a global presence with offices in India, Mauritius, Nigeria, South Africa, Singapore, UAE, representatives in Europe, USA and Mexico, and an evolving distributor network.

We are in the process of increasing our manufacturing capacities further and aspire to be the first choice for quality solar PV Modules and its components worldwide.

Recent achievements include:

- POE Encapsulant - CONSERV E 360, was recognised as a Finalist at Intersolar Award 2018. India's only UL certified POE, its unique formulation combines advantages of TPO as well.
- Launch of DESERV Extreme – India's most efficient solar PV Module, with an output of 380 Wp that gives 646 Wp @ 70% Albedo. www.renewsysworld.com

About Mission for Vision

Mission for Vision (MFV) is a not-for-profit organisation established in the year 2000 to eradicate avoidable blindness through the enablement of high quality, comprehensive and equitable eye health care. It was founded on the basis that poverty is a cause and effect of visual and other disabilities that in-turn increase social divide. Eradicating avoidable blindness will enhance productivity, significantly impact on GDP and promote social and economic equity among nations.

MFV today works in 16 Indian states with 24 of the most reputed NGO eye hospitals in India to annually impact on over 590,000 persons. Over the years, it has enabled over 2 million eye surgeries along with its partners. MFV has also enabled the establishment of several VCs in India. It has several publications and is engaged in research and policy.

Over the last 16 years, MFV has helped establish and strengthen several centres, enabling them to grow into world-class facilities providing comprehensive eye health care and also engaged in high quality training and research. All these organisations are able to address the key blinding conditions that affect the world, especially cataract, glaucoma, child eye health, corneal conditions, diabetic retinopathy, and other retinal disorders, etc.