

Newsletter

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A new mobile clinic

Australian Friends for Global Hospital (AF4GH), an Australian not-for-profit, has been helping Global Hospital since 2018. In January, the hospital brought into service a new community mobile clinic sponsored by the AF4GH.



Visiting specialists

Visiting gastroenterologist Dr Anupam Garg saw 46 patients in January.

Dr Ashish Kumar Agarwal, a cardiologist visiting from Ajmer, was consulted by 11 patients in January.

Ninety patients consulted Dr Swapan Gupta, associate neurologist at the GB Pant Hospital, Delhi, over a long visit in January.

UK-based plastic surgeons Dr Shailesh Vadodaria and Dr Stefano Cotrufo, and senior consultant ENT surgeon Dr Sharad Mehta saw 65 patients during a screening programme in March. This was followed by 24 operations (see photo above).

Dermatologist Dr Sunil Mishra from Mumbai was consulted by 56 patients in January.



Nursing Education Update

On January 27-28, 62 graduate students and four faculty members attended the 3rd National Critical Care Nursing Conference at the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.

Maneesh Sharma, associate professor, and Chris Thomas, assistant professor, Saroj Lalji Mehrotra Global Nursing College took part in a conference organised by the Indian Society of Psychiatric Nurses at the Institute of Nursing Education, Goa, from February 24 to 26.



World Cancer Day was celebrated on February 4 and 6 at Modern Insulators and in the campus respectively. Graduate students performed a drama. Lecturer Sudhanjali Behera spoke on breast cancer. Diploma students took part in a painting competition judged by BK Jayraj from the art department, Shantivan, and Jitendra Singh Chouhan, principal, Rajasthan Institute of Nursing, Gandhinagar.

Diploma students and faculty visited the Statue of Unity at Kevadia, Gujarat, on February 25.

Women's Day (March 8) was celebrated on March 6 by the Student Nurses Association team.

On March 20, Dr Bhavna Sharma from Meerut addressed the faculty on innovative teaching.

World Tuberculosis Day (March 24) saw the graduate students address students of the government higher secondary school at Tartoli.





Blood banking in progress

Blood banking

The Rotary International Global Hospital Blood Bank collected 6007 units of which 2309 units came from 26 blood donation programmes. 6703 units were issued, one in four units for no charges.

Among the biggest outreach donation drives, one in Global Hospital, Mt Abu yielded 181 units, another organised by the Chaudhary Samaj in Jaswantpura yielded 103 units.

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Conference participation by staff

Consultant Obstetrician & gynaecologist Dr Saurabhi Singh attended the 65th All India Congress of Obstetrics & Gynaecology at Kolkata from January 6 to 8.

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Global Hospital Institute of Ophthalmology medical superintendent Dr Vishal Bhatnagar participated in the 9th International Patient Safety Conference organised by Apollo Hospitals at New Delhi between February 11 and 14.

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Between February 16 and 19, Dr Akash Jain Potdar, registrar orthodontia, Radha Mohan Mehrotra Global Hospital Trauma Centre, attended the 26th IOS National PG Students Convention at Lucknow.

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Cataract operations for the poor

The Generations Trust supported 500 free cataract operations, and patients' post-operative checks. These operations took place throughout the financial year ending March 2023. One such patient was Savaram Rana, a 65-year-old man from Sanawara, a village of about 1500 people about 35 kms from Abu Road. Savaram's multiple health issues had left him dependent on his family... until he approached the eye care team that conducted a screening in his village on January 6. A day later, Savaram's left eye was operated on for cataract, and a week later, his vision was restored.

Savaram Rana, an eye patient



World Glaucoma Week

World Glaucoma Week runs from March 12 to 18 annually. To create awareness about glaucoma, optometry students and staff of Global Hospital Institute of Ophthalmology performed skits in the Brahma Kumaris' Shantivan complex and Gyan Sarovar complex. They screened about 300 people of whom 1 in 6 was suspected to have glaucoma. Other events included a poster competition, a quiz, a rally that passed through Abu Road, a presentation that included patient interviews and a radio broadcast. Dr Shalini, junior consultant, ophthalmology, and Dr Vishal Bhatnagar, medical superintendent & senior consultant ophthalmologist led these events.



On March 23, World Optometry Day, optometrists were honoured and the new batch of students of the graduate programme in optometry was welcomed.



Eye and dental checks for pupils

Two hundred students of the government upper primary school in Delwara underwent dental checks and eye checks on March 4. Registrar, periodontia Dr Divya Sharma, senior dental surgeon Dr Niranjn Upadhyay, senior optometrist (paediatric refractionist) Santosh Anbhule, field worker Vinayak Barar, and optometry students Akshi Kumari and Sneha Ghosh conducted these checks.



Focus on tuberculosis

On World Tuberculosis Day (March 24), head of the Village Outreach Programme Dr Kanak Shrivastava delivered a talk to villagers in Salgaon, one of the adopted villages. Senior medical officer with the programme Dr Murlidhar Sharma delivered talks on tuberculosis in Jambudi, Tuka and Siawa. Both the doctors sought to educate villagers about the spread of the disease and its treatment regimen. This year's theme, Yes! We can end TB! aims to inspire hope at all levels about containing TB.



Urologist, uro-oncologist and renal transplant surgeon Dr Vaibhav Vishal sees a patient

Outreach by specialist's

Dr Jayanta Bhowmick, consultant general & laparoscopic surgeon saw 40 patients at an outreach consultation event in Sirohi on January 11.

On January 25, urologist, uro-oncologist and renal transplant surgeon Dr Vaibhav Vishal and visiting neurologist Dr Swapan Gupta were consulted by 34 patients in Sheoganj. Dr Vishal also offered consultations in Sirohi on February 24 and in Pindwara on March 17, attracting 25 and 3 patients respectively.

On February 8, the opportunity to seek advice from the consultant orthopaedics & joint replacement surgeon Dr Kailash Kadel and the consultant general & laparoscopic surgeon Dr Jayanta Bhowmick at the Shri Adinath Fateh Global Eye Hospital in Jalore attracted 55 patients.



Reporting from adopted villages

Dr Murlidhar Sharma who sees patients in the villages adopted by the Village Outreach Programme saw 1548 patients in the field while another 815 patients walked into the hospital to consult the panel of specialists and 55 patients were admitted.