

SATYA MANAV UTTHAN SANSTHAN

ANNUAL REPORT

2021-2022



AT: NAZIRPUR, P.O. SHEKHPUR, AKHRAGHAT (ZERO MILES)

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Secretary's Message

The year 2021-22 has been a rather eventful year for us. We made progress on several fronts. The annual report covers these in detail. This is a time for reflection, both on our accomplishments and also on the way forward for continued, swift, and sustainable transformation of lives and communities.

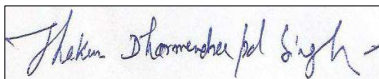


Like previous years this year too our regular eye work flourished. We also made progress both in terms of the geographical area of operation and on qualitative standards as well. Laxman Eye Hospital (LEH) which is functioning under the legal banner of SMUS has made all-around progress during the year. We successfully performed eye surgeries and distributed spectacles and also dealt successfully with some very difficult emergency cases. To see a blind gain sight put new energy and encouraged us to move with solidarity with renewed zeal and commitment.

The establishment of the S.L. Mary International School at Bangra Hardas in Muzaffarpur has added a new dimension to SMUS. At S.L. Mary International School, education is based on conscience to rear a breed of young minds with self-confidence and ever ready to take up challenges in life.

During the year, we also undertook different need-based programs for the poor sections of society with full dedication making no compromise on qualitative standards. Taking the opportunity of this moment, I express my heartfelt gratitude to our donors; well-wishers, and our team members because they are the actual pillars of our success.

Thanking you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Thakur Dharmendra Prasad Singh".

Thakur Dharmendra Prasad Singh
Secretary

ANNUAL REPORT

■ **Genesis**

Satya Manav Uthhan Sansthan (SMUS) is an NGO functioning in different districts of Bihar since 2002. SMUS is promoted by a group of active and committed social activists and social workers for the promotion of a just and equal society. SMUS is registered under the Society Registration Act in 2003 and under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act in 2010.

■ **Vision**

To establish a just and progressive society based on the values of equality, fraternity, and mutual help.

■ **Mission**

To educate, organize and empower the rural poor for achieving social justice, economic growth, and self-reliance.

■ **Core Values**

- ✕ Participatory development approaches.
- ✕ Mutual sharing of ideas and information and
- ✕ Faith in knowledge and capacity of the poor and marginalized.

■ **Legal Status**

- ⇒ **Society Registration:** Registration No. 396 dated 26.07.2003. Registered under the Society Registration Act, 1860 by I.G. Registration, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
- ⇒ **FCRA Registration:** Registration No. 031140091 dated 24.12.2010. Registered under the FCR Act, 1976 by Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi.¹
- ⇒ **Income Tax Registration:** Registration No. 4213-14 dated 23.10.2008. Registered under Section 12 (A) and Section 80 (G) of the Income Tax Act, 1976.
- ⇒ **Permanent Account Number:** AACA504671.
- ⇒ **Niti Aayog Unique ID Number:** BR/2017/0168947.

■ **Members of the Executive Committee**

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Sex</i>	<i>Designation</i>	<i>Qualification</i>
1.	Krishnandan Pandey	Male	President	Graduate
2.	Thakur Dharmendra Prasad Singh	Male	Secretary	Graduate
3.	Sangita Singh	Female	Treasurer	Matriculate
4.	Ajay Kumar	Male	Member	Graduate
5.	Arpana	Female	Member	Graduate

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6.	Parshuram Singh	Male	Member	Matriculate
7.	Rakesh Kumar Singh	Male	Member	Intermediate

■ **Target Groups**

Women, children, aged, youth, disabled, and blinds belong to the poor and underprivileged sections of society.

■ **Area of Operation**



<i>State</i>	<i>District Coverage</i>	<i>Block Coverage</i>	<i>Panchayat Coverage</i>	<i>Village Coverage</i>
Bihar	Muzaffarpur	16	387	1811
	Sheohar	5	53	207
	Samastipur	14	182	558
	Vaishali	11	142	362
	Sitamarhi	16	232	812
	Darbhanga	18	324	1251
	East Champaran	9	126	156
	West Champaran	5	67	128
	Madhubani	12	162	613
Total	09	106	1,675	5,898

■ **Infrastructure & Human Resources**

SMUS has a well-equipped and spacious registered office at Nazirpur, P.O. Shekhpur, Via: Ramna in Muzaffarpur and an administrative office is at Zero Mile, Akharaghat Road

(Laxman Eye Hospital Premises) in Muzaffarpur district in Bihar. These offices are equipped with all basic facilities like phone, fax, computers, and internet along with meeting halls and libraries.

The branch offices of SMUS are based in Sheohar, Darbhanga, Vaishali, Madhubani, Sitamarhi, Samastipur, East Champaran & West Champaran districts in Bihar. SMUS has a committed and devoted team of personnel (professionals, social workers, and social activists), who are keenly involved in all our programs and activities with sincerity and commitment. At present, 80 staff (full-time: 60 & part-time: 20) and a good team of volunteers are associated with SMUS.

■ **Our Auditor**

B.K. Pandey and Co.
Kankarbagh, Patna, Bihar

■ **Our Bankers**

<i>For National Fund</i>	<i>For FC Fund</i>
(i) Oriental Bank of Commerce, Muzaffarpur	1. State Bank of India, New Delhi Main Branch, Sansad Marg, New Delhi
(ii) Bank of India, Muzaffarpur	2. Oriental Bank of Commerce, Muzaffarpur
(iii) Bank of Baroda, Muzaffarpur	
(iv) State Bank of India, Sheohar	

PROGRESS DURING THE YEAR

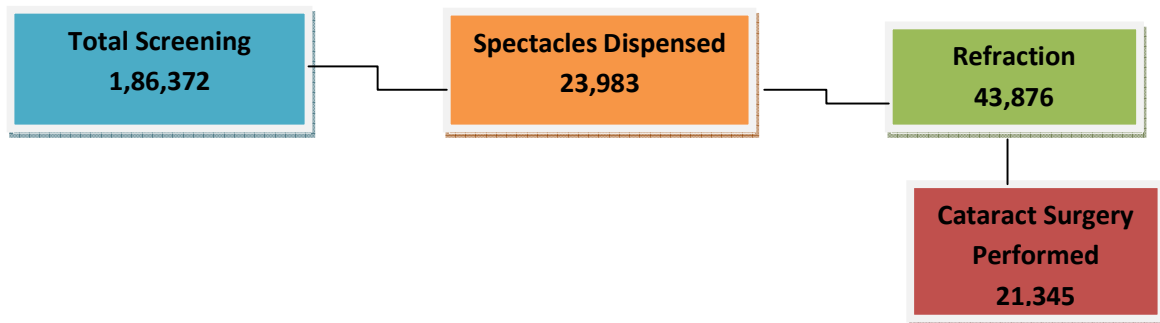
◆ **HEALTH PROGRAMS**

(1) Eye Surgeries under Laxman Eye Hospital: Bihar lags in all aspects of development facing poverty and illiteracy and lacks basic infrastructures like electricity, roads, housing, and hospitals. In Bihar, eye care services are inadequate and a large number of ophthalmologists in the state are unskilled. The Government is doing its best but the enormity of the task makes it imperative that support comes from all quarters. The policymakers have so much to do that blindness has taken a backseat. Poverty and blindness are co-related. Most of the blinds in Bihar have monthly family incomes below Rs.1000. People are very ignorant about Eyecare. Cataract in old age problem and Vitamin-A deficiency is prevalent in large numbers here. Each household that has a blind patient faces a loss of income and completes the cycle. The situation is grave and the people in Bihar are suffering from different eye problems like cataracts, refractive error, corneal blindness, and glaucoma.

Since its inception, SMUS is working sincerely for blindness control by establishing “Laxman Eye Hospital” (LEH) functioning since 2010 at Akharagahat (Zero Miles) in Muzaffarpur, Bihar with the purpose to render quality and timely ophthalmic services to rural poor of Bihar. The Hospital has spread over 19,000 sq. ft. supported by an experienced team of trained technical and non-technical persons to render qualitative services with the spirit of dedication and sincerity to eye patients.

Supported by Second Sight, London, we at Laxman Eye Hospital are dedicated to the cause of cataract blindness eradication of the poor and marginalized people of North Bihar. LEH with the support of Second Sight, London successfully organized eye camps in Sitamarhi, Sheohar, Madhubani, Samastipur, and Vaishali (partially) districts in Bihar by undertaking door-to-door screening and identifying the persons having cataracts. The identified persons with cataract problems were brought to LEH and eye surgeries were performed on them after necessary tests. The operations and other facilities like fooding and lodging, medicine, and dark glasses were provided to the patients free of cost.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2021-22



Overall Achievements

1. Visit of Dr. Helen Rao and Dr. Adrian to LEH.
2. Installation of Effluent Treatment plant (ETP) in LEH for treatment of affluent & sewage generated
3. Distribution of Vitamin supplements to patients provided by Vitamin Angels.
4. Participated in the 'Award Ceremony' organized by Prabhat Khabar.
5. Free spectacles distribution for school children under "Mukhyamantri Ujjawal Drishti Abhiyan."
6. Distribution of free spectacles to truck drivers under the "See to Safe" program in collaboration with Vision Spring India. Regular organization of "village eye camps" in all its operational districts in Bihar.
7. 11th Foundation Day Celebration of Laxman Eye Hospital.





The family of LEH feels proud to receive an Award from the local daily Hindi Newspaper Prabhat Khabar to foster our vision of eye care delivery to the poor and unreached in Bihar.

(2) Eye Surgeries under Ayushman Bharat Scheme: Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's ambitious healthcare program-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana or better known as Ayushman Bharat has benefited over two lakh people in just two months of its launch in September. The scheme aimed at reducing catastrophic expenditure for hospitalizations. It was also to help people mitigate the financial risk arising out of serious health episodes.

Supported by Bihar Swasthya Suraksha Samiti, Patna under the Ayushman Bharat Scheme, SMUS successfully performed 482 cataract eye surgeries in Muzaffarpur district in Bihar thus reaching out of pocket hospitalization eye surgery expenses of poor people thus improving their access to quality cataract surgeries.



(3) Running Vision Centers: Cataracts and uncorrected refractive errors are the most common causes of blindness and low vision in general. Since communities living in rural areas of Bihar do not have access to eye services so it is important to provide them with eye care services (preventive, curative, and rehabilitative) through vision centers. Under LEH, vision centers have been established in Muzaffarpur, Sheohar, Darbhanga, Madhubani, and Vaishali districts in Bihar so that people may receive quality eye care at the right time. Our vision centers



are equipped with basic ophthalmic equipment and managed by well-trained ophthalmic technicians. So far, these vision centers have attended more than 30,000 patients and played a major role in restoring sight.

(4) Awareness Camps and Cultural Shows: Many eye-related problems go unnoticed only because people are not aware of the same. To reduce this problem, SMUS organized periodic Awareness Camps in Muzaffarpur, Vaishali, Darbhanga, and Madhubani districts in Bihar informing and sensitizing the masses about the importance of eye care and avoiding preventable blindness. Cultural shows in the form of street plays, painting competitions, and puppet shows were organized periodically by SMUS. Through these events, we were successful in reaching out to the masses that blindness should be eliminated one day. Wall writings were also put up in the local vicinity to attract local service users.

◆ EDUCATION PROGRAMS

(1) S.L. Mary International School: “S.L. Mary International School” is a unique secondary residential school from Play to Class VIII run by SMUS at Bangra Hardas in Kurhani block in Muzaffarpur district in Bihar. The School has strength of 1,000 students. At S.L. Mary International School, education is based on conscience to rear a breed of young minds with self-confidence and ever ready to take up challenges in life. The campus, sports, and academic facilities at the schools all bear testimony to this effort.

Salient Features

- ◆ Received NOC from Govt. of Bihar and affiliated with CBSE.
- ◆ Transport facility and availability of hostels for boys and girls.
- ◆ Positive environment for children's growth.



Overall Achievements

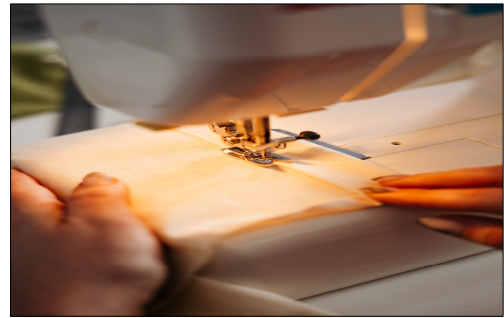
- ◆ Construction of a Library and laboratories of Biology and Physics in the school.
- ◆ Appointment of Scout Guides.
- ◆ Celebrated Christmas Day.



OTHER NEED-BASED PROGRAMS

(1) Support to Poor Students: Every year SMUS supported poor students from primary school to university levels who are not in a position to continue their education because of financial hardship. In 2021-22, 23 poor students were supported (@Rs. 2,790/- per student) in different Panchayats of Sheohar and Sitamarhi districts in Bihar. Also provided educational kits to 30 poor students.

(2) Vocational Training Program: SMUS always believes that functional ability is essential to ensure sustainable income generation. Poverty elimination is closely related to unemployment eradication and employment can never be generated without proper skill training. In 2021-22, SMUS conducted vocational training in trades like Tailoring, Beautician, Two Wheeler Repairing, etc. for 90 poor and unemployed males and females of Muzaffarpur and Sheohar districts in Bihar. All trained males and females are now earning a sustainable income and living a progressive life.



(3) Distribution of Cloth and Blankets: SMUS team distributed warm clothes and blankets to 50 poor people during the winter season and relief materials were provided to the families.

(4) Solid Waste Management Program: The increasing volume and complexity of waste associated with the modern economy are posing a serious risk to ecosystems and human health. It presents the fastest-growing challenge in both developed and developing countries. Poor waste management - ranging from non-existing collection systems to ineffective disposal - causes air pollution, water, and soil contamination. Open and unsanitary landfills contribute to the contamination of drinking water and can cause infection and transmit diseases. The dispersal of debris and garbages pollutes ecosystems and puts a strain on the environment.

In 2021-22, SMUS promoted awareness about the importance of source segregation and recycling at Marwan and Kanti blocks in Muzaffarpur district. We trained hospital staff,

scrap dealers, and rag-pickers in these concepts to achieve a concrete solution to this important issue.

(5) Yoga Awareness Program: Yoga is a physical, mental, and spiritual practices or discipline which originated in ancient India. However, to date, there is no systematic effort made to understand various aspects of Yoga in life. A 4-day training program was conducted by SMUS at Kurhani and Musahari blocks in Muzaffarpur district in Bihar. A total of 165 people understood the importance of Yoga in life and living a healthy life.



(6) Covid-19 Relief Supply Program: Along with many countries of the world, India is very greatly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Many poor people have lost their jobs and are unable to feed their families. However, now the situation has normalized but still many poor families are unable to come out from the covid-19 effects and facing starvation and malnutrition. In such a situation, they need immediate and urgent support.

In 2021-22, SMUS reached out to migrant labours, pregnant women, and children in Muzaffarpur district and distributed food items, hand wash soaps, and sanitary pads. A total of 1,965 people (men, women, and children) were successfully assisted.

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