MEGA EYE CAMP AT KING FAHAD LAMU DISTRICT HOSPITAL

On 20th & 21st October 2014, a mega eye camp activity was organized at King Fahad Lamu District Hospital in conjunction with Mombasa Eye Hospital & Laser Centre. Total number of patients screened were 264. Patients given free reading glasses were 86 and patients dispensed with medicines were 211. 91 patients were given prescription glasses for distance vision. 19 patients were referred to the hospital for further eye examinations. Total number of surgeries including cataracts was 71. It has been observed in Lamu that people are suffering with eye problems, Lamu being quite far from Mombasa and due to the bad condition of the road it is not easy for people to receive quality eye treatment. Patients came all the way from Shella, Manda, Kiunga, Daus islands and surrounding areas like Mpeketoni, Hindi, Witoo.
A team of 10 medical and paramedical staff from Mombasa Eye Hospital & Laser Centre and staff of Lamu District Hospital Eye care department worked very hard to ensure this activity was a success. The patients were really happy as this activity was of its kind which has never taken place previously.
On 30[th]October 2014, Dr. Rajesh Khanna, a senior eye surgeon along with paramedical and OT assistant staff travelled to Lamu to perform the eye operations which included cataract, Trabulectomy, Pterigium, Chalazion etc. The patients were

dispensed with post operative medicines, sun goggles. In fact some patients who were blind came to the hospital holding hands of their relatives. After the surgery they went home on their own and were very happy. Overall the activity was a great success. A big thank you to Dr. AbubakarBadawy, Mr. Mohammed Shakur of Mombasa and all the Management staff of the Lamu District Hospital who really worked hard towards the success of this outreach community programme.

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Standing from left: Miss Iqra, Miss Grace, the patients, Dr. Rajesh
Khanna(Ophthalmologist), Mr. Ikan Munene (OT Incharge), Sanjeev Agarwal (CMD,
Mombasa Eye Hospital & Laser Centre)