

### **CareWell's Eye Camp Benefits More Than 2,000 School Children**

**April 9, 2011 – (Patna, India)** - A Free Eye Camp was organized by Carewell Charitable Society at the Government Girls High School in Patna, India. During this camp more than 2,000 students were checked for vision problems. Ophthalmologists Dr. Ramyatan Singh, Dr. Pradeep Kumar, Dr. Upendra Kumar, Dr. Pankaj Sinha and Dr. Kiran Raj conducted the eye examinations. Others who were present included Mr. Ran Vijay Prasad, Director of Mass Education (Retd.); Dr. Meena Prasad, CEO of CareWell Charitable Society; Mrs. Rashmi Rekha, Principal of the Government Girls High School, Shastri Nagar; and Mr. Anil K. Sinha; CFO of CareWell Charitable Society.

Dr. Meena Prasad welcomed the guests, volunteers, students, teachers and parents. During her opening remarks, Dr. Prasad emphasized the three components of CareWell's program – screening for vision problems, teacher and parent education of common vision problems, and treatment of students with vision problems. At this camp, in addition to providing eye examinations to more than 2,000 students; teachers and parents were educated about common vision problems.

Dr. Pradeep Kumar emphasized the importance of preventive eye care. He advised the students to prevent their eyes from excessive exposure to sun, smoke and dust and to wash their eyes with water twice a day. He advised students not to strain their eyes for more than an hour at one time in front of computer and television monitors. The importance of a diet rich in Vitamin A was also highlighted.

CareWell will provide free medical and surgical care to students identified with vision problems at this camp. Additionally, CareWell will provide free corrective eye glasses to students identified with refractory errors.

In her closing remarks, Dr. Prasad thanked the sponsors and donors for their continued support of CareWell's activities. Mrs. Rekha thanked CareWell for bringing this much needed eye care to schools like the Government Girls High School where students with limited financial resources and limited access to eye care attend school and are at highest risk for undiagnosed vision problems that impairs their ability to do well in school.



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**About CareWell:** Founded in 2002, CareWell is a not for profit registered with the Government of India. CareWell's mission is to provide comprehensive vision and hearing care to school children from under privileged sections of the society. Since its inception, CareWell has provided vision and hearing care to more than 15,000 school children in India. For more information about CareWell visit [www.carewell.org](http://www.carewell.org).

**About Government Girls High School:** The Government Girls High School is located in the city of Patna, India. It provides free education to more than 2,000 students.

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