

NEPA support is essential to Nepal's Eye Camps, which screen over 10,000 patients each year and restore vision to over 3,000 cataract blind people. NEPA sponsor these camps by maintaining and supplying equipment to keep them operating.

Further Information:- The Tilganga Eye Centre in Kathmandu, Nepal was opened in 1994. The Fred Hollows Intraocular Lens Laboratory in the Eye Centre produces world standard intraocular lenses (IOLs), which are necessary for sight restoring cataract surgery. The Centre also provides Ophthalmic Microsurgical training for surgeons from Nepal and from the surrounding region.

NEPA has equipped the surgicentre at Tilganga as well as conducting and sponsoring eye camps in remote areas of Nepal. NEPA funds are used to purchase operating microscopes and other essential ophthalmic equipment necessary for the surgical eye programs.

Costs:- A donation of A\$25 can restore one person's vision in a developing country. A\$550 will purchase one cataract surgical set, a box of 100 intraocular lenses can be bought for A\$1,000. A\$3,800 will purchase a portable operating microscope. To totally equip a trainee surgeon costs A\$6,310. To sponsor an Eye Camp in Nepal costs A\$5,000 or A\$1,300 for an Eye Screening Camp.

Donations of any amount will help to restore sight in Nepal. Donations of \$2.00 or more are tax deductible.

Donations and Copies of Correspondence to:-

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PAKISTAN
Hearing Aids for Deaf Children
RAWCS #112-2000/2001

Description:- Sponsored by the **Rotary Club of Ruryiala** for the Pakistan National Institute for the Deaf Children of Rural Areas, to provide hearing aids for children who otherwise would continue to live in a silent world.

Further Information:- The Institute currently provides for over 100 deaf children, in the school and hostel at Kamoke. A recent survey carried out in Kamoke and surrounding villages, put the number of deaf children at 3,000. This Institute is the only facility that is helping these children, a large number of whom are orphaned. The following letter is from the Australian Ambassador to Pakistan, following a visit to the Institute:

"It is some three years ago that I heard about the work that was going on at the National School for the Deaf in Gujranwala and was then able to visit it. This visit confirmed all that I had heard. I was most impressed by the profound dedication and service of Mr. Shiekh and all the staff at the School to this difficult work before them. On subsequent visits I was able to see how children had progressed from class to class. The progress achieved, especially among some of them, was both remarkable and heart-warming. The school has already grown and strengthened, but the problem of the deaf children is a great one and the task ahead most urgent. The school needs help to see it grow further, to maintain the high standards set for it and to enable it to sustain the most valuable part it is playing in the community welfare of this country."

(Signed - J.D. Petherbridge - Ambassador)

Cost:- A\$200 will provide a child with a hearing aid. A\$400 will provide two hearing aids.

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