



## Purchase of new Bus (35 seater)

for transporting indigent patients in

Sankara Nethralaya Jaslok Community Ophthalmic Centre Hospital, Greams Road, Chennai - 600006.



### **About community services in Sankara Nethralaya:**

The Sankara Nethralaya Jaslok Community Ophthalmic Centre, Chennai is a 75 bedded hospital with 5 operation theatres. All patients undergo a complete and comprehensive eye examination that would include Refraction, Slit-Lamp Examination, Measurement of Intra Ocular Pressure and Fundus Examination. This strict regime ensures that patients who have other complications besides Cataract are diagnosed immediately and relevant care is extended to the patients.

Each year, over 100,000 patients are being seen in the Out-patient clinic in Community Ophthalmology. In 2016-17, about 19000 free surgeries were performed by Sankara Nethralaya. Of the 19000, about 5000 surgeries were for complicated conditions such as Paediatric surgeries, Cornea surgeries, Retina surgeries, Oculoplasty, Squint and Glaucoma surgeries which are known as complicated major eyesurgeries. Sankara Nethralaya is the only eye hospital in the country (outside the Government hospitals) that performs Free complicated major eyesurgeries. Almost one in every 4 free eyesurgeries performed is a complicated major eye surgery.

Patients who undergo free eye surgeries are identified in the Rural eye Camps – Rural eye Screening Camps, Rural Teleophthalmology Camps or Rural Mobile Eye Surgery Camps.

**Purpose of request:**

We conduct eye screening camps in villages and identify the villagers who need surgical treatment for their eye diseases. Using this bus, these villagers are transported from the camp spot to our community hospital at Greams road, Chennai for providing free treatment. After the treatment, the patients are transported back to their villages.

**Conclusion:**

This bus will benefit the community patients from Chennai and other nearby districts who are getting free treatment at our community hospital at Greams road, Chennai.

**Financial implications: Total Cost: US \$ 32307**

The donor name will be painted on the bus.

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