

# **An Hospital in Mori: A Rice Field Transformed into an Eye Hospital**



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**Les objectifs principaux sont:**

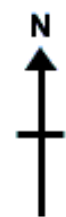
- 1. Créer des hôpitaux ophtalmologiques et améliorer les structures existantes dans les pays en développement.**
- 2. Soutenir la formation d'ophtalmologues et celle du personnel paramédical.**
- 3. Favoriser la recherche afin d'améliorer la prévention, le diagnostic et le traitement des pathologies ophtalmologiques.**



**Andhra Pradesh:**  
Size of France  
75'000'000  
People

# East Godavari (Andhra Pradesh)

Khammam



East Godavari  
River District:  
Size 10 000 Km<sup>2</sup>  
5 000 000  
People



- Map not to Scale
- District Boundary
  - River
  - National Highway
  - Major Road
  - Road
  - Railway Track
  - District Headquarter
  - Taluk Headquarter
  - Town

# East Godavari River District

5 000 000 people (420/Sq Km)

Rural population	80%
Untouchables	22%
Litteracy rate	41%
Number of Govt Hospitals :	12
Number of Govt Dispensaries:	33
Med. College (7 h. drive from Mori)	1
Per Capita Income per year	300 CHF
Life expectancy female	61.5
Infant Mortality	66
Below poverty line in %	22.2

# East Godavari River District

## Main Workers

Cultivators	14.4%
Agri. Labourers	47.4%





In **1992**, Creation of an orphanage  
in K-dipalem  
(5 Km from Mori)

In **2001**, decision to create  
an hospital for the Delta region



# Aim of the project

- ♥ Creation of an eye hospital in the Godavari delta
- ♥ Mobil clinic for village screening
- ♥ Teaching for local staff
- ♥ Prevention of eye diseases (public health program)



# Methods

♥ Find a land

# The rice field next to the school



# Methods

♥ Find a land

♥ Get all administrative authorizations

Meeting with the district collector\* for official permissions  
\*(Chief administrator of the East Godavari River District)



# Methods

- ♥ Find a land
- ♥ Get all administrative autorizations
- ♥ Find the money to finance the project
- ♥ Draw the plans
- ♥ Construction of the hospital building



August 2001



September 2001



October 2001





February 2002



April 2002



June 2002



August 2002



November 2002

# Methods

♥ Find or buy medical equipment

Ship it to India

Bring it to Mori

Install it all



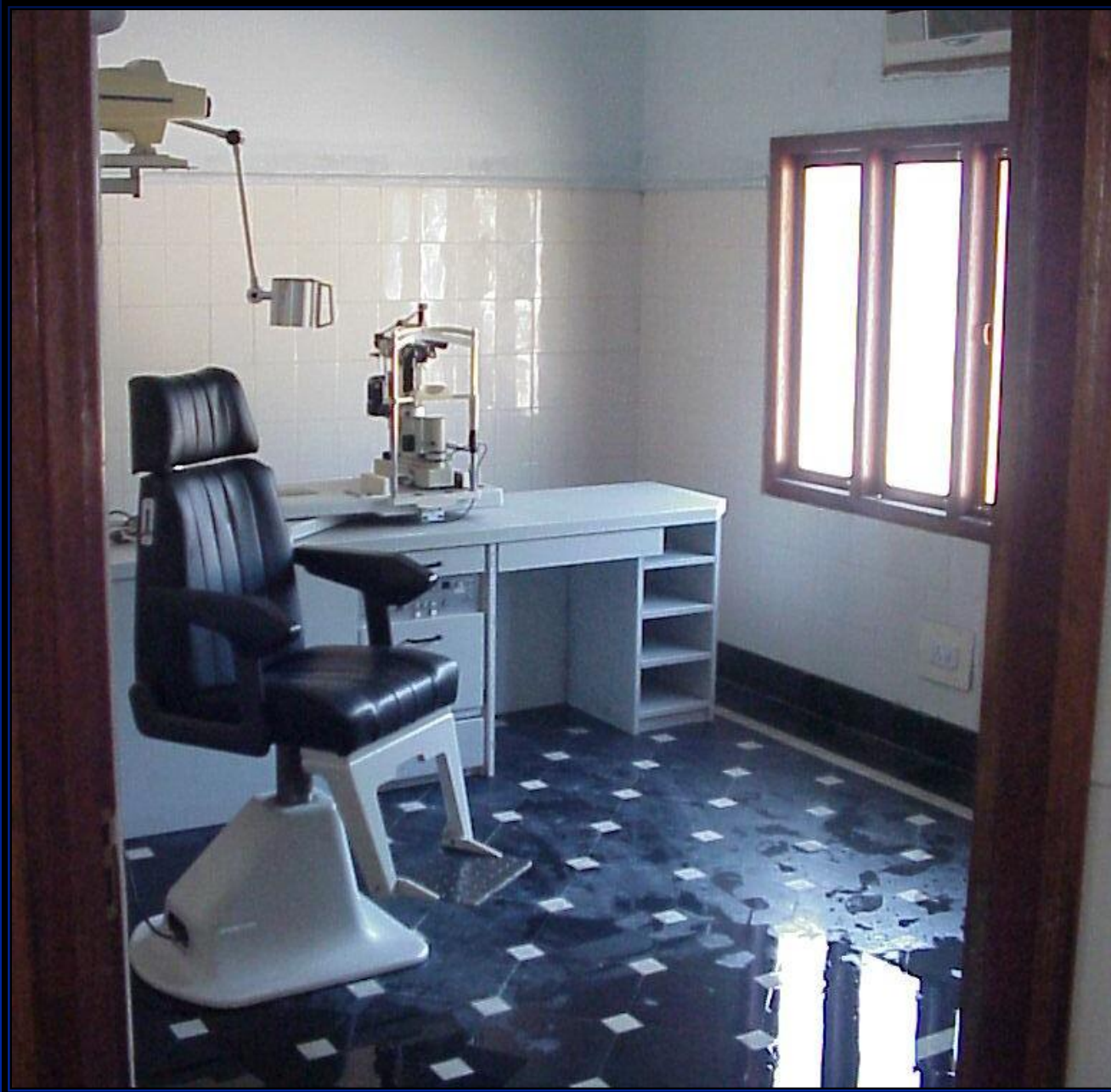












Dr Rabineau 's  
examining room  
from Vevey after  
its relocation

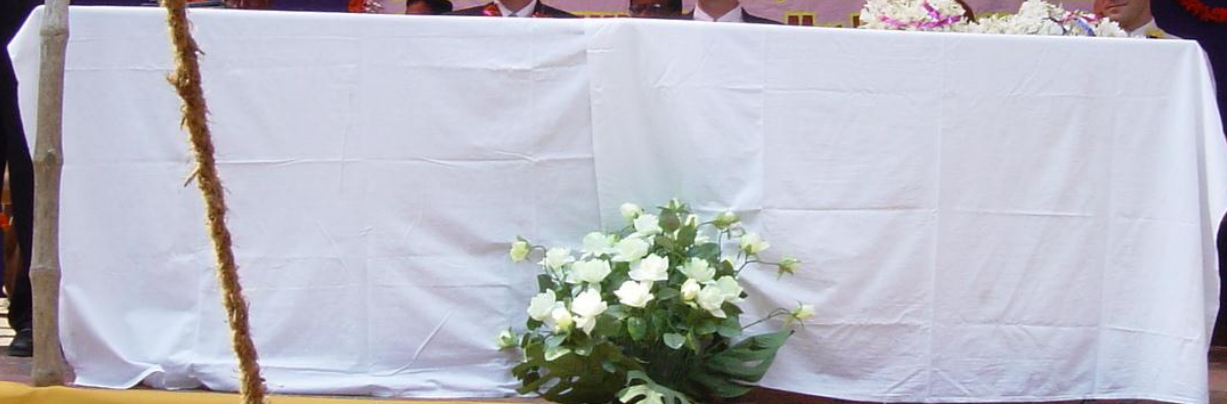
# Results

♥ Inauguration

**INAUGURAL & DEDICATION OF  
PROJECT INDIA MEDICAL CENTER  
Moripodu, Mori  
DECEMBER 27.02**

**PROJECT INDIA MEDICAL CENTER  
WELCOMES**

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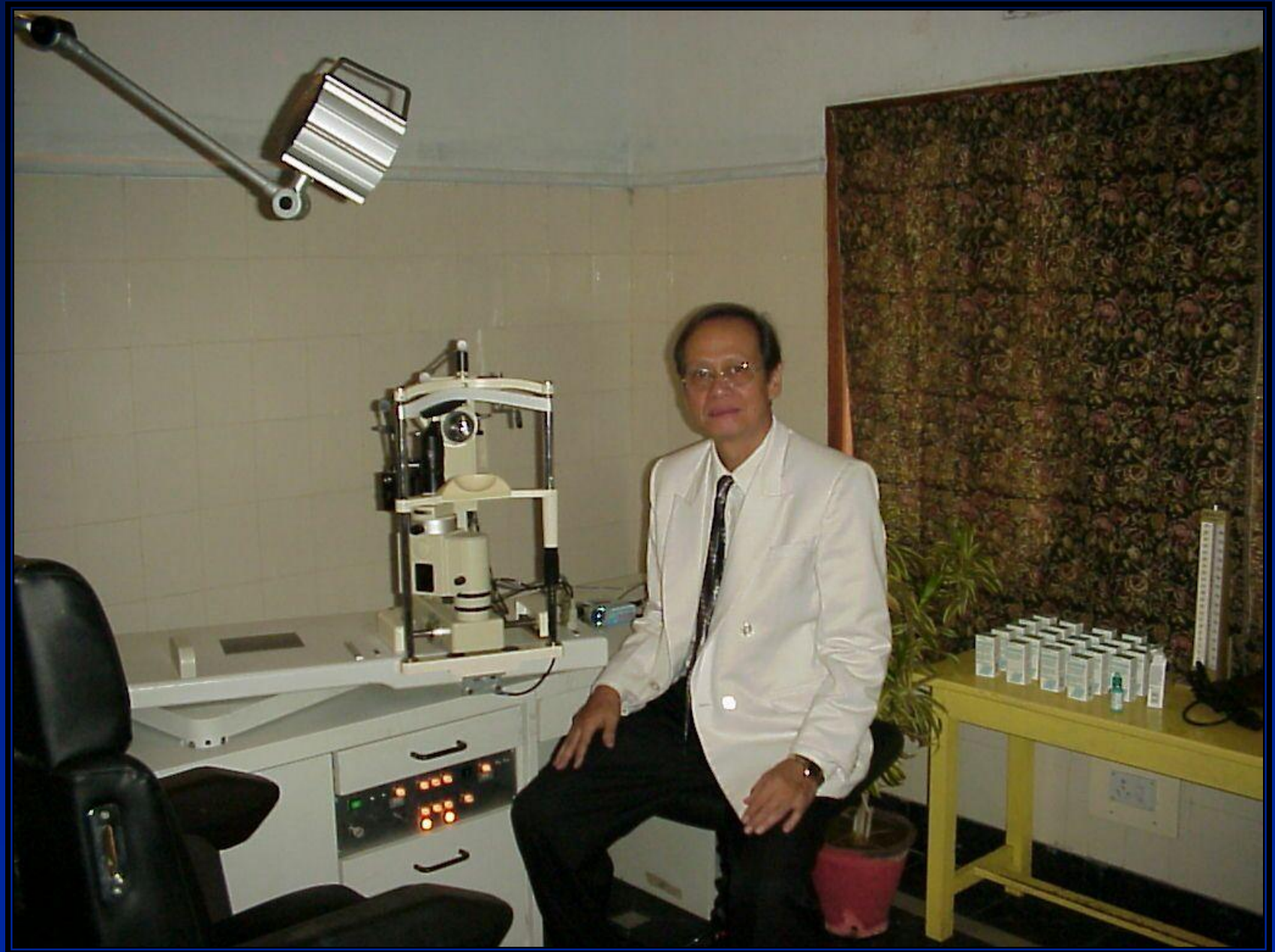




# Results

♥ Inauguration

♥ First patients







On the 16 th of April the first patients are seen in Mori hospital (145)











# Results

♥ Inauguration

♥ First patients

♥ First working team



# Results

- ♥ Inauguration
- ♥ First patients
- ♥ First working team
- ♥ First operations









June 6 2003





June 6 2003



# Discussion

♥ In 18 months a rice field has been changed into an eye hospital



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- ♥ In 18 months a rice field has been changed into an eye hospital
- ♥ Thanks to all the volunteers and supporters of this project

## The Indian team

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Jaideep Mukherji

Sylvia Mukherji

Subba Rao

Dr. Ronnie Gyi

Jacqueline Luck

All the workers including more than 150 people

## The Swiss team

Vision for All team

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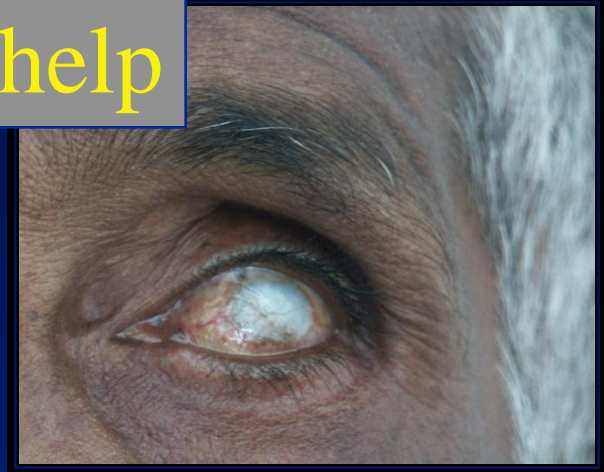
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Many generous patients



MORI people still need our help



What can we do?

Become a voluntary worker in the hospital



Distribute brochures to your patients

Deux succès en si peu de temps, nous autorisent à penser qu'aider est utile.



Dans un monde où le meilleur reste à faire, avoir les yeux fermés ne veut pas dire qu'on dort, ni les avoir ouverts qu'on voit

On ne voit bien qu'avec le coeur,  
l'essentiel est invisible pour les  
yeux

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry



Merci de votre attention

