

Community Health and Education Programs

(CHEPs)

Eye Camp # 9

Jimba village, Kaloleni, Coast Province

This mini-eye camp was organised on 12 February 2011, in partnership with the Humanitarian Welfare Group of Mombasa and sponsored partly by the Beta Charitable Trust. The target group was mainly the elderly in the village and surrounding areas with the aim of reducing cataract blindness among them.

Number screened: 36

Cataracts: 11

Post-cataract surgery: 1

Allergic conjunctivitis: 1

Myopia: 15

Presbyopia: 9

Spectacles given: 20

Referrals: 4

Arrangements have been made with the Lion's Eye Hospital for cataract surgeries and specialist assessment and management of the referred patients.

Acknowledgement:

We thank our partners in the camp, the Humanitarian Welfare Group and its volunteers for arranging the venue, informing the public about the camp and transport. Beta Charitable Trust for their sponsorship of the eye surgeries and spectacles. Murtaza Somji and Eystyle Opticians for the making the special order spectacles free of charge. MohamedRaza Gulamhusein, optometrist, for taking time off from his busy schedule to volunteer his services. We are grateful to the CHEPs volunteers, members and well-wishers who have been encouraging the work.

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Patients from Lamu operated for cataract – Feb 2011



Eye Camp – Fatima Zahra Centre_Jimba



Waiting to have their eyes checked



Optometrist assessing a village elder's vision



Typical residence at eye camp location



Volunteers