

Gowthami gifts them sight

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Rajahmundry, Aug 16: "I have never thought that I can see the world with my eyes," said Bangaru Devi (10) of Nakkapalli village in Visakhapatnam district who was afflicted with visual impairment at birth.

Stating that that she was happy to gain sight, she said her father had brought her brother and sister too to the hospital for operations.

Gowthami Eye Institute (GEI) performed eye surgeries successfully to Bangaru Ganga (5), Bangaru Anji Babu (4)

and Bangaru Devi (10), Bangaru Ramana (11), Bangaru Lovaraju (17) of Nakkapalli and K Ganga Raju (10) of West Godavari district. Ophthalmologist K Madhavi performed the surgeries.

MLA Routhu Suryaprakasa Rao, who visited GIE today, lauded their services. He underlined the need to organise free eye camps to minimise blindness. He appealed to the non-governmental organisations and private companies to participate in the eye camps though the Government was doing its best.

He interacted with the

children who underwent eye surgeries at the Gowthami Eye Institute (GEI) today. He promised to organise eye camps soon. Later, he distributed spectacles and medicines to the children.

GEI director K Madhu said Rs 55,000 worth of eye surgeries were performed free of cost to the children. As many as 240 children below the age of 16 years were suffering from cataract in the city, he added.

Corporator A Suresh Kumar, MRK Goud, Abdullah Sharif, K Satyanarayana and others participated.



Ophthalmologist Madhavi with the children who underwent eye surgeries at Gowthami Eye Institute in Rajahmundry.