

FREE EYE-SCREENING CAMP

Date - **09.10.2018**

Venue - **Palkalai Nagar Middle School, Palkalai Nagar, Madurai.**

No. of Beneficiaries - **69**

Free Eye Screening Camp was organized by **Women's Studies Centre of Madurai Kamaraj University** in association with **Suji Health Care Services, Madurai** and **Dr. Agarwal Eye Hospital, Madurai** on **09.10.2018** at **Palkalai Nagar Middle School, Palkalai Nagar, Madurai.**

Mr. Murugesan, Director, Suji Health Care Services, Team of Doctors, Team of Paramedical staff and Pharmacists from Dr. Agarwal Eye Hospital, Madurai were present.

The camp was started at 10.30 a.m. Attendees were registered at the registration desk. The students were first taken for Initial eye screening in which they were asked to cover one eye read the letters which displayed in the chart and repeat it for the other eye after covering the first eye. This was followed by preliminary diagnostic examination, intraocular pressure and tear duct function test, refraction, and final examination was done by the doctor. Referral Card was given to students whose eyesight is not good. They were given advice according to their eye problems like wearing spectacles and eye exercises.



The camp was conducted mainly to make aware about eye related disorders and early detection of eye related problems if any. The students of Palkalai Nagar Middle School are from poor background. They are not aware about ill effects of poor eye vision.

School-age children constitute a particularly vulnerable group where uncorrected refractive errors may have a dramatic impact on learning capability and educational potential. According to the 2010 estimates by the World Health Organization, nearly 285 million (4.24% of total population) people of all ages worldwide are visually impaired.



Approximately 69 students were benefited through this camp. Refreshments like coffee and biscuits were provided to the students and the doctors. Those attendees who required further medical attention were referred to the Dr. Agarwal Eye Hospital, Madurai for free treatment.