## Sri Sathya Sai Mobile Hospital

In the month of February 2012, Sri Sathya Sai Mobile Hospital served 7,440 patients from 14 different mandals. These patients were drawn from 404 villages. A team comprising of 39 doctors and 36 paramedics rendered their services during the 12 days of the programme.

## February 2012 Programme - Highlights

- Availability of Superspecialists, like Cardiologist, Neuro physician & Urologist for varying periods, helped in expert advice being given for patients with intricate problems. A very helpful combination was the presence of Neuro physician and Psychiatrist together which facilitated providing the best solutions for difficult cases.
- Department of Dentistry treated 468 patients. 24 patients had Removable Partial Dentures (RPDs) fitted, 8 patients underwent Root Canal treatment and 33 patients had Fillings of different types done.



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Doctors are, really speaking, the most important class of sevaks, under present conditions.

Theirs is indeed a noble calling.

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- ➤ The Obstetrics & Gynecology team screened 176 women as part of their Cervical Cancer screening service. 25 cervical biopsies and 5 pap smears were done and sent for histo-pathological examination. The histo-pathological reports of last month revealed Cervical intraepithelial neoplasia CIN-III changes in two patients and CIN-III changes, again in two patients. The former underwent Loop Electrosurgical Excision Procedure (LEEP) and the latter Cryo surgery. In addition two reports came as Carcinoma-in-Situ and these patients have been sent to Indo-American Cancer Centre in Hyderabad, through the 'Arogyasri' scheme of the Government. The block, slides and report were sent with the referral letter to ensure immediate treatment. The referred patients were received at the Railway station in Hyderabad and taken to the said hospital, by volunteers of Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organization, Hyderabad. The operating surgeons Dr.Susheela, MD., DGO and Dr.Madhuri, MD., DNB., MRCOG performed two surgeries on 5<sup>th</sup> February at Sri Sathya Sai General Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam.
- The ENT team performed Audiometry examination and hearing aids were provided for 12 individuals with impaired hearing. The hearing aids were donated by Dr.Ravindranath, MS, Head of the ENT team. Surgeries were performed including one difficult Mastoid Surgery. Dr.Ravindranath, M.S., and Dr.Rambabu, MS., an eminent ENT Surgeon of Apollo Hospitals, Hyderabad were the operating surgeons.
- As part of screening for Retinopathy, 69 patients with Diabetes Mellitus underwent detailed ophthalmic examination. 5 of them were found to have early Non-Proliferative Diabetic Retinopathy (NPDR. But none of them had Proliferative Retinopathy.
- The surgical team performed 9 surgeries on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> February at Sri Sathya Sai General Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam which had spared its operation theatre and beds for the surgical team from the Mobile Hospital. It included two difficult thyroid surgeries. Dr. Mohan Rao, M.S., and Dr. Satish, M.S., FRCS., were the operating Surgeons.
- Health Education was done extensively at different times using audio-visual tools, covering a variety of subjects.