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#### FREE CATARACT SURGERIES ORGANISED BY DMS

It never occurred to them that their reduced vision could have been due to CATARACT! The *DMS* Eye camp brought this out. Free surgeries were organised.



Aandal aged 60 being tested at the Eye camp. She is a widow and depends on her daughter. Cataract surgery was done in both eyes.



Vijayalakshmi is 50 years old. Her husband is employed privately as Watchman. She suffers from cataract in both eyes.



Saraswathi was also operated for cataract in both eyes.

She is aged 50. Her husband works as casual labourer.



And four others: Anjalai aged 68 dependant on her son, who is casual labourer (Anjalai suffered from jaundice when she attended the camp - this delayed the diagnosis and treatment); Nandagopal aged 68, retired driver in PTC; Pazhanivel aged 68, dependant on children, cataract could be done on only one eye as the other eye is affected by weak nerves; and, Rani, aged 65 dependant on her son, who does tailoring. She was operated for cataract in both eyes.

DMS is pleased to report 100% success – all patients reported normalcy in vision.

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IT IS REALLY HAPPINESS THAT CAN BE DEFINED AS BRAHMAN. UNFORTUNATELY TO GET THAT 'ANANDA', SO MANY WAYS ARE FOLLOWED THAT ULTIMATELY LEAD TO MENTAL INSANITY. WITH PURE LOVE & AFFECTION WE CAN ATTAIN THE STATE OF MIND OF BRAHMAN. (CONCLUDING LINES OF TALK BY SWAMI RAGHEVENDRA ON 'BRAHMAN' IN NEXTISSUE).

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(We have scanned Guruji's handwritten statement and signature above).

Dear Member,

This incident happened in 2013.

"Do *you* have my set of the house keys?" Srinivasan asked his wife Padmaja as they got off their car to enter their house. (Padmaja and Srinivasan are ardent devotees of Guruji).

"Keys?" Padmaja's response was one of utter surprise."No, I do not have *your* set. In fact we specifically confirmed to each other when we left the house that your set of keys were with you. So why are you asking me?"

"Absolutely so! I remember vividly my standard process of rechecking the following when I get into the car: No. 1 Wallet; No. 2 House keys; No. 3 Car keys, and No. 4 Mobile. And now I cannot find it! That is why I am asking you." A perplexed Srinivasan explained.

Srinivasan and his wife Padmaja had been invited to a get-together at Park Sheraton organised to meet visiting former colleagues. The party went on to past 9 pm. Srinivasan drove home with Padmaja, chatting casually about friends they had met after many years.

On reaching home and parking the car, Srinivasan reached into his pocket for the house keys. He did not find them in his pocket. He searched then under the seat and after that outside the car.

"You were the one who had as usual locked the front door, so you should have the key" Padmaja explained. Both were worried. They searched again, to no avail.

Since both carry an identical set of keys, entering the house was no problem at all. So they entered using Padmaja's key. Once inside, though it didn't make sense, they searched their home to see if they had left the key bunch anywhere, but no, as expected, it was not to be seen.

"Try the hotel. It must surely have fallen off there" Padmaja considered this as the last alternative in tracing the mysterious disappearance of the keys.

Srinivasan called up the colleague who had organized the dinner, and he in turn spoke to the hotel security.

"No, sorry sir, we could not find your keys" was the response after ten minutes. The colleague had organised a search in the dining hall and the driveway.

It was getting late, and although perturbed, Srinivasan and Padmaja decided to abandon the search and catch up on their sleep.

The next day, with renewed gusto, they searched all over the house, but without success.

After three days, they started getting concerned that the disappearance of house keys could pose security issues. What if somebody known to them – an insider – say, the maid servant who knew their practices, - had decided to take it away on purpose and then misuse it?

Padmaja decided this was a problem worthy of Guruji's attention. She prayed to Him to restore the keys, and trusting Him the couple went about their daily chores.

Now a full week had passed and there was no trace of the keys. Practical wisdom required that the old lock be replaced with a new set.

There was in the house a Godrej steel cupboard. It housed among other items, important documents. It was not routinely used. Padmaja had to retrieve some documents for some other purpose. She opened the cupboard and within that the locker to retrieve the documents. Peering inside to identify the documents, she was a little surprised sensing a set of keys in front of the documents. The object of agony that had traumatised her for the last seven days was strongly entrenched in her mind's eye; she in her anxiety could even be imagining seeing the keys, so stressed up she was! She naturally turned her full gaze on this set of keys to see if this indeed was the object that had been haunting her for the whole of last week.

Snatching it from inside to examine in full light what this mystery item was, she got a shock. Of course this was the set of house keys. Was it a dream? A hallucination? Like a woman possessed she ran to Srinivasan even forgetting to close the Godrej cupboard.

"I have located the keys. Why did you leave these inside the Godrej cupboard of all places?"

"Me? What are you saying? It is over six months since I opened the cupboard!"

Padmaja knew that her husband had not placed the keys in the Godrej cupboard. How could the keys have got in there? But rather than ruminate upon the possibilities, she decided that all was well that ended well, and proceeded to place the keys at the feet of Guruji in His photo in the pooja room and thanked Him profusely. With of course a rider that was characteristic of Padmaja - Guruji must clarify—in whatever manner He chose - how on earth those keys ever got into the Godrej cupboard!

Apparently, the keys must have fallen off from Srinivasan's pocket sometime after he got down from the car at the hotel, till the time he got back into the car after dinner at the hotel.

We often dismiss miracles as not being a miracle but just a chancy coincidence. The mystery of the missing keys above could also be just a coincidence – Srinivasan could inadvertently have left the keys inside the Godrej cupboard. But then we believe this is not a coincidence.

First, both reaffirm that it was Srinivasan who used his set of keys to lock the house. (Both Srinivasan and Padmaja carry identical set of keys but on that day they were clear that Srinivasan had locked the house. Which means the keys could not have been inside the house when they left).

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Secondly, Srinivasan always double checks the keys once he is inside the car. He was very clear he had done that routine on that day.

Thirdly the Godrej cupboard was not operated during that entire week.

And the Godrej cupboard anyway was not the place for the keys.

We reproduce below the email from Srinivasan elaborating why this is a miracle:

"This was really a thrilling experience. I carry my set of keys, Padmaja carries hers. What I think happened is that my key bunch got lost -- irretrievably lost -- as I thought then. *There is a complex manoeuvre -- our two housekey bunches are identical - only front door keys, plus key to a steel table drawer where we put other keys, including the Godrej.* So, we should have our individual home keys in hand. How did my keybunch get locked in the Godrej? Second, whenever we go out, I do the mnemonic, "purse, athu chavi, kaar chavi, telephone". Am sure my house key bunch was in my pocket. Really, inexplicable".

Inexplicable? Maybe! But it is not a new thing for us devotees who have seen Guruji in action. There have been several instances where things misplaced by devotees, or lost, have been 're-materialised' by Guruji and left safely deposited where these can be then located.

Our thanks and prayers to Guruji for always taking care of us!

The Calendar of events such as Aadi Amavasya, Guruji's birthday etc. are attached separately as your ready reckoner.

The Centre is in need of the following items which if you have at home, you may donate instead of scrapping/selling:

- 1. Games CDs/DVDs for kids. Around 30 children in the age group 6 to 14 come to our Centre every Saturday. Whilst we do have a laptop with us on which we can play CDs we do not have worthwhile CDs (Sorry, we do not want books).
- 2. Moped in good working condition (Request donor to please deliver at Jammi Buildings).
- 3. Desk tops (in good working condition)

Intel Core I3 4150 @ 3.5 GHZ
ASUS H81M-CS Motherboard
Corsair 4 GB Ram
Seagate 500 GB HDD
LG DVD R-W
DELL Keyboard / DELL USB Optical Mouse / Acer 18.5" LED Monitor
NUMERIC 600VA UPS / Creative Speakers / Logitech Webcam
HP Deskjet 1510 All in One Printer

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# From the Doctor's Desk



Dr. Geetha Badrinath (MD, PeD, DCH)

*DMS* had conducted an Eye camp on 31st Jan. 2015 at its Centre (the event has been covered in Satsanga Jan.-Feb. '15). In the camp it was discovered that seven patients were required to undergo cataract surgery. The patients themselves did not know this – nobody had told them. It is indeed surprising that these patients had not attempted any medical examination for their vision but had attributed the weakening of their vision to old age and general debility.

#### Team work

This attempt at restoring full eye sight to the persons was a gigantic team effort amongst *DMS*, Radhatri Netralaya and Ehrlich Laboratory.

- \* Radhatri Netralaya did the cataract surgery free of cost.
- ❖ Ehrlich Laboratory participated in the camp and did all the tests free-of-cost. They deputed a person to our Centre to organise the collection of samples and submitted to *DMS* the reports.
- ❖ *DMS* is proud to report that its staff nurse Nirmala accompanied the patients each time from the point of assembly at our Centre, to T-nagar where the surgery was performed and brought the patients back to our Centre. A van was specially arranged to take these patients to the place of surgery. *DMS* bore the costs of transport and food. As many as five visits were made to T-Nagar for surgery, pre-check up and post-surgery check up. The entire exercise took over four months from March to June 2015.

DMS is pleased to report 100% success - all patients reported normalcy in vision. The patients were of course over awed by their recovery of vision - a possibility they had never dreamt of. The feedback from these patients has been captured in a video which will be placed on DMS' web site.

It took Dr. Geetha Badrinath of *DMS* four long months to organise this camp and the surgeries – right from Sept. '14 she was in touch with Radhatri Netralaya and was liasioning with them to make this camp happen and this finally took place in Jan. '15.

We express our hearty thanks to Dr. Vasumathi Vedantham and her husband Praveen Kumar of Radhatri Netralaya for their superlative gesture, and to Dr. Indra Subramanyam, MD, Ehrlich Laboratory for doing the tests free. Manava Seva is taken to a different plane when experts with different skill sets join together.

May Guru Kamakshi Baba grace us to evolve novel ways to serve humanity.

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