

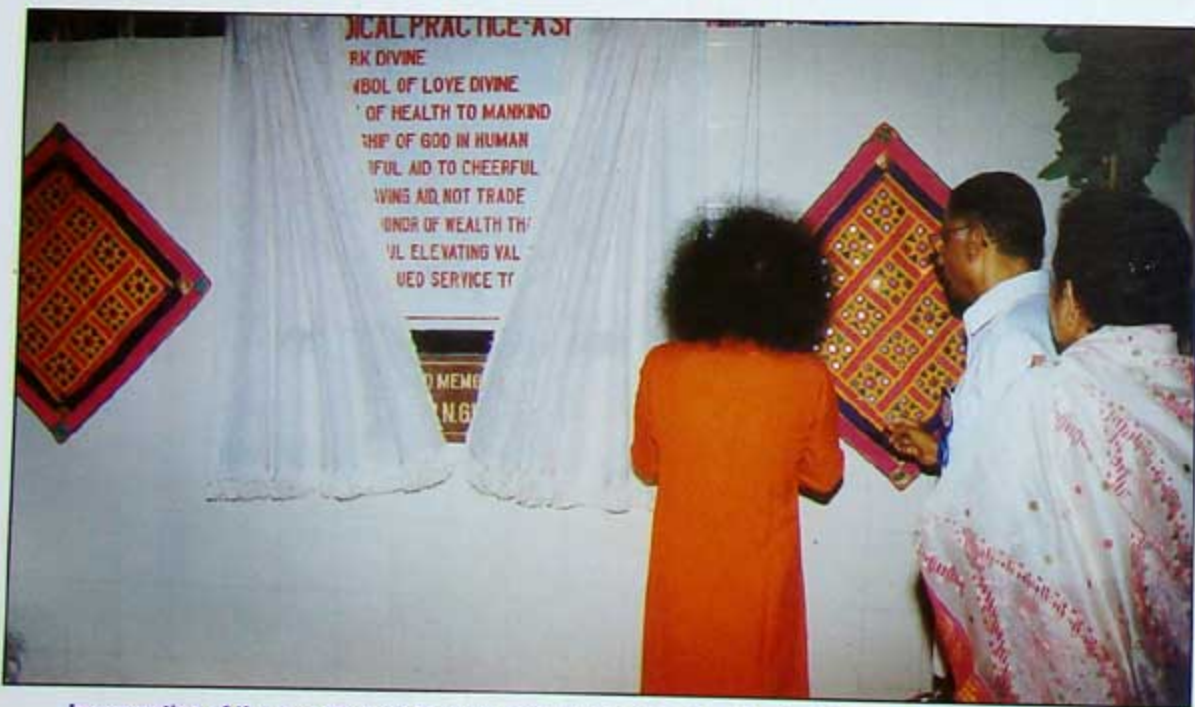
Medicare in Dharmakshetra

Medical Seva had a beginning right from the inception of Dharmakshetra in 1968, when doctors visited on Sundays, bringing their own kit and medicines, and met with patients in an open shed. A better equipped Sri Sathya Sai Clinic was inaugurated by Bhagawan Baba in 1974. The Allopathic treatment available earlier was expanded to include Homeopathy and Dental treatment. Doctors also started visiting on weekdays. Bhagawan Baba invariably visited the Clinic when He came to Dharmakshetra.



Bhagawan visiting clinic during His visit

In 1990 a small operation theatre for cataract operations was built with provision for emergency drugs and oxygen cylinder. A new Sri Sathya Sai Medical Centre was inaugurated by Bhagawan Baba in 1999. (This building has subsequently been further expanded in 2004.)



Inauguration of the new Medical Block in Dharmakshetra at the Hands of Bhagawan Baba. (March 1999)

To win Rama's grace, it is not enough to repeat His name;
you have to practise the Rama principle.

The Centre now has different areas for treatment as under:

- General Medical Unit.
- Eye - Care Unit.
- Alternative Medicine.

In the General OPD section, the total number of patients attended during the last year,

2004, was 23,430, i.e. almost 2000 per month. The Dharmakshetra Centre provides each year Oral and Preventive Health Care to the 900 students of Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Mandir, Sometimes, some other schools also seek this assistance.



Dental treatment at the Medical centre

The Eye Care Unit has a panel of 20 ophthalmic practitioners who offer voluntary and loving service. The surgical staff is supported by 45 Seva Dal volunteers; in addition, there is a regular staff for Anesthetic, trained nurses, ward boys and cleaners. In 2004 the Unit has treated 2690 patients and conducted 1017 Cataract operations.

The Medical Centre has now started an Alternate Medical Treatment in Vibrio Therapy, especially for chronic patients. Acupressure and other alternate preventive methods of diet control, health & hygiene are also available.



Sri Sathya Sai Medical Centre



Cataract operation in progress

One should see that no harm occurs to anyone an account of one's actions.