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**DEPARTMENT OF EEE**

**UNNAT BHARAT ABHIYAN-FREE EYE CHECK-UP CAMP AND  
GRAM SABHA MEETING**

Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is a programme initiated by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India for the upliftment of rural India. This scheme steered by IIT Delhi encourages educational institutes to adopt villages and provide technical solutions for the problems faced by each of them. As part of the scheme, the village Konalai was adopted by the Department. Mr. T.M. Navin Kumar, Assistant Professor/EEE and Ms. Rajarajeswari Assistant Professor/EEE, visited the village on 27<sup>th</sup> July to take an initial survey of the place. They met with the village panchayat secretary Mr. Selvakumar and collected details about the basic amenities available in the village like the number of schools and colleges functioning, hospitals, market and sanitation facilities. They also met the village administrative officer (VAO) and enquired about the total area of the village, agricultural, housing and waste land available and the level of water table in the area. From the details collected, intermittent water supply and lack of proper drainage system were identified as the major problems faced by the village.

As a first step towards bonding with the people of the village, the department organized a free eye check-up camp in association with the Mahatma Eye Hospital on 15<sup>th</sup> August, Independence Day. As many as 100 people both old and young benefitted from the camp. The camp was convened by Fr. Devanesan with a short prayer. Initially a few basic tests were run on each patient and depending on the clarity of the vision, medicines were prescribed. A few people were taken to the hospital by the team for conducting free eye surgeries.

A Gram Sabha meeting was also conducted which was presided over by the

Village Administrative Officer. The Panchayat president Mr.Selvakumar briefed the gathering about the various problems faced by the village. Mr.Vinoth Kumar Assistant Professor/EEE, enlightened the people about the various financial schemes offered by the Government. He also provided an outline about the technological solutions that would be offered by the department in future. Mrs.A.Rakkammal HOD/EEE honored Mr.Selvakumar and the VAO with a memento.







The residents of the village and the students were extremely satisfied with the events organised on the day.