

Case Study 3

Name: Bol Sol

Programme: Caritas Takeo Eye Hospital, CBM

Location: Takeo province, Cambodia



Ms. Bol Sol is 71 year old is living in Preydorkpor Village, Trapang Thom Khang Choeung Commune, Tramkok District of Takeo Province, around 46 kms far from Caritas Takeo Eye hospital (CTEH). Being 9 year widow to look after five children (two sons, three daughters) until they have got marriage all and got nine grandchildren since her husband passed away, later her three daughters died tragically. Now she is living with her last son and grandson under supported by Hopeful Children Center is the local none government organization (LNGO) that is the partner of CTEH. Her both eyes have blurred vision for 4 years gradually, and her eyes became blind completely last two years. Although her blind caused her hopeless and depression, it was the mains issues to limit her daily functional activities in moving and doing house works. Moving needed assistance and doing anything needed help, so she felt boring with her life so much while the poverty issue is being followed her family all times.

Fortunately on August 27, 2013, CTEH conducted the eye screening at Preydorkpor Village, where is her homeland, to give eye awareness and have an eye check up for poor people with eye problem .At the same time, she had got eye check up and referred her to get further eye examination at CTEH. She came to CTEH on August 28, 2013 by pick up for further examination through recommendation. The ophthalmologist prescribed that she had cataract on both eyes and need to be eye operated to restore new vision. The process of eye operation and eye health issues instructed to make sure she satisfies with eye operation. Her first left eye operated on August 29, 2013 under subsidy service that supported by CBM to help all poor with eye problems to access eye care accordingly.

Next morning after left eye operated, she has got a new vision and it really improved and better than before after testing and comparing prôt and post visual acuity (VA) result. She can see clearly with trying to walk without assistance independently and read letter with smiling all times. She said that CTEH under supported by CBM gave a hope and new life to me gain that she has never thought it can be happened somehow. She thanked for CBM and CTEH so much in helping poor people in Cambodia.

