

## NEWS RELEASE

## Fullerton India launches its second Vision Care Centre in Chhattisgarh

*~Aims to benefit 10,000 households through the launch of its new centre in Saraipali~  
~Overall this is the company's 11th vision care center across India and second in the State~*

**Raipur, 9 March 2017:** Fullerton India Credit Company Pvt Ltd. (Fullerton India), a leading non-banking financial company in India with a strong pan-India presence, has partnered with Sightsavers— an internationally renowned not for profit organisation, working in developing countries to combat avoidable blindness and promote equal opportunities for the disabled and MGM Eye Institute— one of the biggest hospitals in Chhattisgarh catering to eye care services to set up a new vision care centre at Saraipali located in the district of Mahasamund, Chhattisgarh. This initiative is a part of the company's 'Jyoti - Save the Eye' program that focuses on providing underprivileged families with better eye care facilities and ensures that economically deprived families in and around the region have access to quality eye care.

This vision care centre will be assigned an optometrist, who will screen and refract patients; besides dispensing glasses to those suffering from a refractive error. A referral program for patients requiring cataract treatment will also be provided. Earlier this financial year, the company introduced its vision care centre in Raipur, and in less than a year, the centre has screened over 4000 patients and performed over 100 cataract surgeries.

Commenting on the launch, **Mr. Rakesh Makkar, Executive Vice President and Head – Business, Marketing and CSR**, Fullerton India, said “The Mahasamund district has a tribal population of 28.9%, majority of whom are daily wage workers and sole bread earners for their families. With limited access to medical facilities, eye care ailments if ignored can be harmful to the livelihood and employability of such individuals. In the light of deteriorating eye health, we have now introduced two vision care centres in the state of Chhattisgarh which will offer comprehensive eye care services to economically deprived families in the region thereby improving community life.”

In the past, Fullerton India has partnered with several credible hospitals across India to set-up vision care centres. The company currently has nine vision care centers and one mobile vision van spread across India and through these centers, the company has helped over 35,000 people and performed over 3,500 cataract surgeries till date.

Under the brand UDAY, the company has a number of CSR initiatives which focus on three keys aspects of development namely social, economic and the environment. Some of these initiatives include Jeevika – vocational training program for women, mid-day meals to combat classroom hunger, Gurukul – basic skill training courses to facilitate the employment of youth, Akshar – English speaking and personality development courses, Niramaya – general health check-up camps for women and children and Krishi Mitra – organic farming and bee keeping programmes amongst others.

**About Fullerton India Credit Company Limited:**

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