## AUTOBIOGRAPHY RELEASE AND MSMF HUMANITARIAN AWARD

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## Autobiography of Dr. Chandra Sankurathri



Dr. Chandra Sankurathri

After losing his wife and children in the bombing of Air India Flight 182 on 23 June 1985, Dr Chandrasekhar Sankurathri gave up his comfortable life and job in Canada, and returned to India to dedicate his life to serve the poor and needy in rural areas of Andhra Pradesh. Since then, he has established several charitable institutes, including a school and an eye hospital.

His relentless pursuit of bringing about positive changes in society has gained global attention. His autobiography will be officially released on June 9, 2018 in Ottawa.

## MSMF Humanitarian Award to Dr. Ralf Buhrmann



Dr. Ralf Buhrmann

Dr. Ralf Buhrmann MD, MPH, PhD FRCSC is an eye physician and surgeon at the University of Ottawa Eye Institute specializing in the care of patients with complex cataract and glaucoma. He directs the University of Ottawa Ophthalmic Surgical Simulation Center and is an award-winning surgical teacher and a sought-after mentor for surgical skills transfer courses worldwide.

Dr. Ralf Buhrmann is the recipient of MSMF Humanitarian Award for 2018. He has been a strong supporter of the partnership between SIO, in Kakinada, India and the University of Ottawa Eye Institute (EI) for the last 15 years and currently chairs the taskforce at the EI that oversees this collaboration.

He helped establish the International Elective Ophthalmology at SIO for Ophthalmology Residents from the EI who have now been visiting SIO annually for the past 11 years to exchange knowledge and surgical skills with the physicians and staff of SIO.



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