



BACKGROUND

Organization: Humanity-Increased

Project Name: Cataract Surgery Phase 2 - Uganda

Project Location: Jinja Regional Referral Hospital, Jinja District

Project Start Date: May 5, 2025 Project End Date: June 30, 2025

Number of Beneficiaries: 50 patients

Cataracts remain one of the leading causes of preventable blindness in Uganda, particularly among the elderly and rural poor. Without intervention, this condition dramatically limits an individual's ability to work, care for family, and live independently. For many, the cost of surgery is a barrier they cannot overcome.

Humanity-Increased launched its second phase of the Cataract Surgery Program in Jinja, Uganda in June 2025. This effort followed a successful Phase 1 earlier in the year and targeted patients who were screened but not treated during the initial round. Through this program, 50 individuals received free, sight-restoring cataract surgeries.

PROJECT ACTIVITIES & **OUTPUTS**



1.PATIENT SELECTION & SCREENING (



Pre-surgical screenings were conducted in coordination with local leaders and medical professionals. Patients were selected based on medical need, with priority given to those with severe vision loss and no financial means to access treatment.

2. MEDICAL ASSESSMENT



Between June 1-2, 2025, all selected patients underwent comprehensive medical reviews to confirm suitability for surgery. These assessments ensured both safety and surgical success..





3.SURGICAL PROCEDURES (



From June 3-5, 2025, 50 cataract surgeries were successfully performed at Jinja Regional Referral Hospital. All procedures were carried out using standard ophthalmic surgical protocols in a sterile operating theater..

4. POST-OPERATIVE CARE & MEDICAL **KITS**

Patients received post-operative medications, including antibiotic and anti-inflammatory eye drops, along with instruction for recovery. Follow-up care was conducted from June 17–19, 2025, with all patients reporting restored or significantly improved vision.





PROJECT IMPACT

> 50 PATIENTS

PATIENTS RESTORED TO SIGHT

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- LIFELONG IMPROVEMENT IN QUALITY OF LIFE
- Individuals regained independence in daily tasks such as walking, cooking, and reading
- Families relieved of care burdens for previously dependent relatives
- Community trust in Humanity-Increased's longterm health commitment deepened

"Before the surgery, I saw only darkness. Now I see my grandchildren clearly," shared one elderly beneficiary.."



SUSTAINING HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS

This project aligns with Humanity-Increased's mission to serve the underserved with high-quality, free medical interventions. Looking ahead, we aim to:

- Expand the cataract program to additional rural hospitals in Uganda
- Establish routine screening programs for early detection
- Train local health workers to scale sustainable ophthalmic care



