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Anup Singh Jubbal, President, and the Directors of Canadian Eyesight Global Wishes to thank all Rotary Clubs, volunteers and our sponsors for enabling us to provide many, many eye camps and clinics in different parts of Punjab. India.

We look forward to your continued support when our operations continue after the Covid-19 Pandemic restrictions are lifted.



Giving Light to the World

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Rotarians in Lithuania and Chicago, Illinois, USA, are using their influence to promote the use of "bubble helmets" and potentially lessen the need for mechanical ventilators for COVID-19 patients who struggle to breathe on their own. It is one of many ways that Rotary clubs are responding to the pandemic.

The Rotary Club of Vilnius Lithuania International, Lithuania, participated in <u>Hack</u> <u>the Crisis</u>, an online event in March that brought together innovators in science and technology to "hack," or develop solutions to, issues caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Members of the Lithuanian club, along with members of the Rotary Clubs of Chicago and Chicagoland Lithuanians (Westmont), joined a team to brainstorm ways to help COVID-19 patients breathe without using mechanical ventilators.

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Before the pandemic, doctors typically used noninvasive devices to help patients breathe if their oxygen levels dropped below a certain level. If the noninvasive devices don't boost those levels enough, mechanical ventilators are used to push oxygen into the lungs through the tube at a preset rate and force.



"Being a Rotarian, I have in my network people from all over the world," adds Victorija Trimbel, governor-elect of the district that covers Lithuania.



Bubble helmets come in various designs and are noninvasive, supplying oxygen without the need for intubation.

# Benefits of bubble helmets

- Helps with respiratory distress
- Noninvasive
- Can be used outside of intensive care units

"This pandemic has moved like a wave, first in Asia, then Europe, and then the United States. Yet countries like Mexico, Brazil, and India aren't yet as impacted. We're trying to get word out in time for the information to help."

> "Through Rotary, we're able to connect so many people around the world.

> > It's a great way to collaborate in this battle."



## HOW MY LIFE WAS CHANGED



When you think back over your life there are inevitably people and events that had a profound impact on determining just who you are. As I look back, one person who had a profound impact on the person that I have become is no other than Mr. Anup. S. Jubbal, the Founder of Canadian Eyesight Global.

It all began back in 1973 in the B.C. interior city of Kamloops. I was a charter faculty member of what was then called Cariboo College and what is today, Thompson Rivers University. I taught courses in geography and was Head of the Geography Department was also served as Chairman of the Department of Social Sciences. In that year I had also been elected to the Kamloops City Council and was appointed by the Mayor to the Thompson Nicola Regional District. It was at this time that a lifelong friendship with Anup Jubbal began.

During City Council meetings I noticed, at certain times, a rather short fellow, always wearing a suit and tie and proudly sporting a bright turban. I was especially interested in city planning issues. So was Mr. Jubbal. He was a very active land developer and was often working to rezone certain parcels of land. After meetings we often met to discuss his various development proposals. Lobbying was very personal in those days. He was the first Indo-Canadian I had ever met. There was large Indo-Canadian community in а Kamloops and I had seen the Sikh Temple during my travels. It was a rather exotic looking building but what occurred inside was a complete mystery to me. At one of our frequent chats Mr. Jubbal asked me if I, with by wife and two young sons, would like to visit the Temple. Here my life was about to be influenced rather profoundly. We went.

The four of us arrived Sunday morning at the Temple. Hundreds of brown skinned people were descending on the place. Women in bright colorful sarees and other Punjabi outfits sat on the floor on one side of the Temple and men on the other. My first surprise was taking off our shoes at the doorway. My wife was smart enough to wear a shawl while the two boys and I tied large handkerchiefs on our heads to cover our hair. Anup's lovely wife Saroop guided my wife to

### NELSON A. RIIS, MA, Member of Parliament 1980-2000 Director, Founding Member (CEG)

Nelson Riis is a Canadian businessman and former politician and Member of Parliament of Canada, for the New Democratic Party (NDP). Mr. Riis served as an MP for Kamloops, BC from 1980 until 2000, and held the positions of Parliamentary House Leader, Deputy Party Leader, Caucus Chair and served on the Finance Committee in the House of Commons. Mr. Riis specialized in fiscal and monetary policy development. A geographer and teacher by profession, Riis taught in public schools and at the post-secondary level. He taught at what is presently known as Thompson Rivers University, and served as chair of social sciences for ten years. He served as an alderman in Kamloops, British Columbia from 1973 to 1978, and as a school trustee from 1978 until 1980. He was director of the Thompson-Nicola Regional District.

> the women's section. Mr. Jubbal took charge of us men. The music, the incomprehensible language, the fragrance in the air, the praying, the chanting, the pictures on the walls, the placing of our foreheads on the carpet, surrounded by turban wearing men, the specially-garbed men overseeing the Holy Book and then being served in our hands a porridge- like food to eat- Then, to top it off, we all went down to the basement to partake in a tasty meal of real delicious northern Indian food. It was a mind- blowing experience. I seem to recall that people starred at us at first but were so accommodating and accepting of our presence. Everyone went out of their way to make us feel welcome. And, welcome we did feel. I remember the occasion as if it was only yesterday. It had such a profound impact on me. I would never again be the same. Talk about cultural shock to a young man who had never been anywhere except Western Canada.

> It would be an understatement to say that Mr. Jubbal's invitation changed my life but the Temple experience was only the beginning. My family and I attended often after that. We brought our friends with us so over the years dozens of Kamloops' residents were introduced to the Community. Personally, my interest was piqued in everything about India and its history, the Sikh Religion and the Golden Temple, the culture, life in the villages, the music, the language, how Sikhs had changed the world, the food and especially the people. They were different and different in so many ways. I had so much to learn and over almost the next fifty years.

"Mr. Jubbal was to be my teacher, but more than that. A mentor, a guide, a visionary, a model, an inspiration- a friend!

I had no idea just how much my life was about to change because I had the good fortune to meet Mr. Jubbal."

# **From the Editor**



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### A Human Need, Indeed !

When it comes to a human need, irrespective of all political and cultural differences, we realize that WE ARE ONE!

The human kind has been able to display this Unity in Diversity, many times in the history of our world.

Covid-19 Pandemic, has been an awakening call for all of us. And we are in this together.

Such a togetherness can come only through the leadership of the nation. Many leaders would hide behind the curtain of "media ban" to portray "all is well attitude". A true leader faces a crisis head on and believes in achieving together.

We in Canada are fortunate have leaders who believe all will be well and take steps to face the reality of any situation.

Only those leaders, who present the reality as it is, are able to receive the support of the entire nation (and the world) in taking steps to attack the enemy of human kind.



We solute our leaders who have been able to own up the situation and take it in their own hands to find a lasting solution.



### **Memoirs of Anup Singh Jubbal**

1986



Signing an agreement with Punjab Govt. in Chandigarh with a Canadian Ballard Technologies Ltd. and promoter Anup Singh Jubbal, President, LLW Landlords World Inc., to establish a Lithium Battery Plant in Mohali. Chandigarh. India.

### 1995

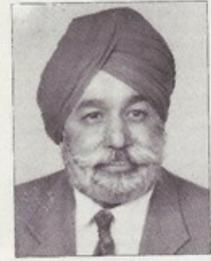


1995: Mr. Anup Singh Jubbal and Mrs. Saroop Kaur Jubbal meeting with Giani Zail Singh, Former President of India, in Delhi. India

### INDUSTRY NEWS

### Indo-Canadian Airways all set for a take-off

A non-resident Indian-owned company based in Canada will begin operating a regional air-taxi service in India with a fleet of 5 Canadian-manufactured Dash-8 aircraft based in Bombay.



Assup Singh Jabbal, Chairman and CEO of LLW Landlords world inc. of Vancouver B.C. Canada.



1995

Mr. Anup Singh Jubbal, Chairman and CEO of LLW Landlords world inc. of Vancouver B.C. Canada declared to incorporate Indo-Canadian Airways. "While we are launching a number of business ventures throughout India, this company will provide air taxi services, will offer regional scheduled air linc services in India, and shall be starting soon air cargo charter services to Europe and North America"he stated. All the aircraft would be on wet- lease basis.

Another one of his business ventures is the promotion of visitor travel from Canada to India which includes residential colonies to NRIs in different parts of India.

The company has technical links with Lardel Holidays, a Canadian air operator and other airlines in Canada as well as in SA Express, a recently formed regional airline in South Africa.

Indo-Canadian airways will have full support from Indian states including Punjab, Haryana, Maharashtra, Orissa West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh.

#### 1995

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL presented to Anup Singh Jubbal, MSM, by His Excellency Rt. Hon. Romeo LeBlanc Governor General of Canada, September 12,1997, Quebec. City. PQ. Canada.





From left: Anup Singh Jubbal, MSM, His Excellency. Rt. Hon. Romeo LeBlanc, Governor General of Canada, H.E. Mrs. LeBlanc and Mrs. Saroop Kaur Jubbal.

### Anup Singh Jubbal One Rotarian with Multiple Honours





The Visionary

Man with a Vision

"Meritorious Service Medal" from the Governor General of Canada "Distinguished Service Award" from the Rotary International Global Polio Eradication Initiative "Service Above Self Award" from Rotary International "Humanitarian Award" from Indo-Canadian Chamber of Commerce "Outstanding Community Service Award" from the Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver

There have been several other awards and recognitions bestowed upon Mr. Jubbal over the years, and his work has been commended by many notables, including former Governor Generals of Canada, Prime Ministers of Canada, past Premiers of BC, and other dignitaries. His work has been featured on radio and television, as well as in newspapers and magazines, including Reader's Digest (January 1998).



1992

Canadian Eyesight Global Fund Raising Dinner, Surrey.





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Presented by Honourable Paul Martin the then Minister of Finance (Later Prime Minister of Canada)

to

Anup Singh Jubbal

at the Gala Dinner in Toronto

Organized by Chamber of Commerce on June 6, 1998

> **An Honor with Applause** Well deserved, indeed!





Honourable Paul Martin, Saroop Kaur Jubbal and Anup Singh Jubbal



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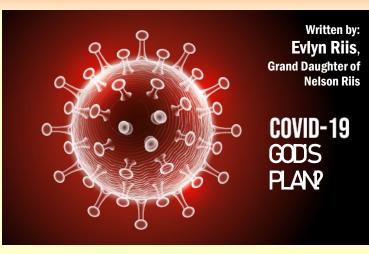
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EYE CAMPS POSTPONED DUE TO CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC										
GURUDWARA JAWAHAR COLONY FARIDABAD.	GOVERNMENT SCHOOL, VILLAGE BHOGIPUR TAURU, MEWAT	SGM NAGAR GURUDWARA FARIDABAD	GOVERNMENT HIGH SCHOOL , VILLAGE PATHREDI TAURU, MEWAT							



I wake up every day hoping for change

Hoping that the weather will be the same as the previous day Not hot and sunny one day And snow storms the next I wish that the people would understand That the earth is fighting back at what we have created The earth is fighting back We have people voting for politicians like Trump who thinks its not real Or it's all apart of "god's plan" OH MY GOD can't you see it this is not a plan The only plan I see forming is the end of the world So many people don't believe in climate change And even more people aren't helping To those who are just waiting for us to fix it Don't you think it would all help if everyone in the world took part If COVID-19 has taught us anything is that change is possible

It has made China close down everything NASA could see the difference from space in the air quality This is not just happening in China but all over the world, Venice's canal water has never been more clear I'm scared because once we have a cure What if the world goes back to it's ways And the pollution starts all over again The earth is telling us that it is not to late That the earth can still save itself But we need to listen and help the earth heal We can all see the effects COVID-19 has done to the world Since we have been in lock down you can see the change it has made for the better I want to fix this but I don't know how, If we try and say Don't drive your car as much Don't go on trips every month No one will listen, but soon they should Because if they don't the world can only get worse Don't you want your kids or grandchildren to have a happy life Not a life that they are scared of the future Not a life where they are dreading tomorrow I know it's hard to change how you live But it might help If we don't fight to save the earth there will be nothing for anyone to fight for The earth isn't only our home The earth is the home to so many creatures that are becoming extinct

And we all need to help before it's to late

We all just need to try, we don't have to be perfect

We all just need to contribute a small amount to make a difference

# COVID-19



#### What is it?

COVID-19 is a new respiratory virus that has the potential to cause severe illness and pneumonia in some people

### Covid-19 Update

Updated 25 May at 1:49 PM Pacific Local Time

# Trudeau says he'll seek 10 days of paid sick leave for all workers

OTTAWA - Prime Minister Justin Trudeau says he'll push the provinces to give workers 10 days of paid sick leave a year as the country deals with the COVID-19 pandemic.

That appears to meet a key demand from NDP Leader Jagmeet Singh, in exchange for the New Democrats' support for a motion to limit sittings and votes in the House of Commons through the summer.

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United States	1,693,618	98,466	350,248	21%	Alberta	6,860	135	5,924	86%
Brazil	370,060	23,102	149,911	41%	British Columbia	2,517	157	2,057	82%
Russia	353,427	3,633	118,798	34%	Nova Scotia	1,050	58	974	93%
Spain	282,480	27,104	150,376	53%	Saskatchewan	634	7	546	86%
United Kingdom	261,184	36,914	-		Manitoba	292	7	268	92%
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Germany	180,621	8,398	162,648	90%	New Brunswick	121	0	120	99%
Turkey	157,814	4,369	120,015	76%	Prince Edward Island	27	0	27	100%
France	145,279	28,432	65,199	45%	Yukon Territory	11	0	11	100%
India	138,845	4,021	57,721	42%	Northwest Territories	5	0	5	100%

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This beautiful, splendid building was built by 4th Nawab of Awadh - Nawab Asaf-Ud-Daula and the construction work began in the year 1784. It took over 14 years to complete and was designed by the architects Hafiz Kifayat Ullah and Shahjahanabadi, prominent architects of that time.

The massive central hall of the imambara (a Shia Muslim meeting hall) is considered to be the largest arched hall in the world built without any kind of external support from wooden, iron, or stone beams.

The trick that keeps the ceiling from crashing in on visitors is also the imambara's most intriguing architectural feature, the Bhulbhulaiya, a extremely complicated network of nearly a thousand interconnected passageways built directly above the chambers, thus reducing the weight of the ceiling by making it hollow. Loosely translated as "maze" in Hindi, the bhulbhulaiya is impossible for visitors to navigate without a guide.









Nelson Riis, Member of Parliament Canada 20 years (Rtd.) Founding Member of Canadian Eyesight Global, with Anup Singh Jubbal, President CEG, visited the historical building Imambada Lucknow. India, 1995.

### OUR PROMISE

CANADIAN EYESIGHT GLOBAL is continuously in touch with our sponsors and partners in India and Canada. It is our commitment to continue our charity work after we are all free of the Covid-19 pandemic. We thank our beneficiaries for their patience and understanding. We reassure you that we will continue the Free Eye Camps and Eye Clinics as planned when the respective governments have lifted the restrictions.

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### **ABOUT US**

Canadian Eyesight Global (formerly Project Eyesight-India since 1989) is a registered Canadian charitable organization comprised of surgeons, doctors, business leaders and numerous volunteers concerned with global blindness.

It is made up of individual Canadians concerned about other people – those in India and such developing nations who are especially vulnerable to blindness as well as those who have already lost their eyesight. In these nations, there are many health and social issues that require attention. Because blindness is caused by many problems, including lack of adequate nutrition, sanitation and trauma, we have the opportunity to bring health in many different forms.

### **OUR OBJECTIVE**

Canadian Eyesight Global strives to help those who are unable to help themselves and to give people who are blind or visually impaired real support. For over 29 years, we have been helping our community with our partner doctors in India and other developing countries to enhance the facilities and treatment programs, with outstanding results.

### **OUR VISION**

Our Vision is to eliminate avoidable blindness by 2020 and to ensure the best possible vision for all people. Canadian Eyesight Global organization is working to remove blindness that is a major health issue among the young, the underprivileged, the aged. Visual impairment in some instances can lead to death. The problem is growing day by day. Every second, one person in the world goes blind. A child goes blind every minute. Yet for three out of four of these people, blindness was completely preventable.

Global trends show millions of people going blind each year. Eighty percent of the worlds blindness is preventable by means of nutrition, sanitation, antibiotics or surgery. Canadian Eyesight's view is to work toward the elimination of the preventable causes of blindness. Working with other health organizations and various levels of government, we believe this goal is achievable.