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International Recognition-The International Society for Prosthetic and Orthotics (ISPO)* has awarded Mobility India the "The Center for International Rehabilitation Yeongchi Wu International Educational Award".

Mobility India received this recognition at the 11th World Congress of ISPO (1st -6th Aug 2004) held at Hong Kong. The Congress had representations from over 200 countries and more than 570 presentations. We are the first Asian country to be recognized in this Congress.

The selection was made by ISPO representatives based on a paper and a presentation of a new or innovative P/O technique or product. The potential impact in the treatment of people with disabilities in low-income countries was an important factor in the selection process.

About the Award winning design- SATHI (Trans-Tibial Prosthetic Modular component) is a component made out of plastic which can be assembled quickly and light in weight and is adaptable to all kind of feet including the Jaipur foot.

Benefit- There are millions of people in India and other low income countries who undergo amputation for various reasons like Diabetes, accident and the like. The fact is that in India only 5 % of amputees get the right kind of prosthesis to aid them in ambulation. Some of them reject it due to unsuitability. Also the cost of prosthesis is beyond affordability for majority of the people as they are below the poverty line. SATHI could be the "Indian Solution" for people of India and other developing countries that need below knee or transtibial prosthesis.



About ISPO- The International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics (ISPO), is a multi-disciplinary organization comprised of persons who have a professional interest in the clinical, educational and research aspects of prosthetics, orthotics, rehabilitation engineering and related topics.

www.ispo.ws

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To fit sathi for 200 amputees

New Limb, New Life ...

For SATHI Rs. 3,000/-

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Sathi Kit Rs.750/-, Jaipur Foot Rs. 350 Socket and other accessories Rs. 1900/-

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Reaching out to urban slum communities...

Mobility India's Community Based Rehabilitation Programme

MOBILITY is integral in leading a fulfilling life. And yet why are 50 million people in India unable to move independently? 78% of these people live in rural areas and urban slums, without access to the many rehabilitation devices available today.

Mobility India's Community Based Rehabilitation programme continues to work in the slums of Banashankari, LR Nagar and Avalahalli covering an estimated population of 1,10,000 where we have identified 690 persons with different disabilities (368 male and 322 female). The strategy is to build on the abilities of people with resources available in society in general and the community in particular.



The programme assesses persons of impaired mobility, such as that of 8 year old Pooja living in Bangalore's LR Nagar. This bright little girl has been affected with cerebral palsy. An inability to move or even stand up independently has prevented her from going to school. Therapy and supportive devices are needed to allow this child to explore school, mix with other children, and have the confidence to lead a successful life.

Mobility India Training Calendar

▶ One year training programme

- ◆Orthotic Technician
- ◆Prosthetic Technician
- ◆Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant

4th July 2005 (4th Batch)

▶ Six weeks training programme

- ◆Training Programme for Community Based Rehabilitation Workers

27th September, 2004 to 6th November, 2004 (6th Batch)
11th April, 2005 to 21st May, 2005 (7th Batch)

▶ Two years training programme

- ◆Prosthetics & Orthotics

4th July 2005

▶ Two weeks training programme

- ◆Training Programme for Community Based Rehabilitation Managers

16th to 27th November, 2004 (5thBatch)
7th to 19th February, 2005 (6th Batch).

Mobility India was formed in 1994. Its vision is "An inclusive society where people with disabilities have equal rights and a good quality of life."

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