

Eye donation fortnight from August 25

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GUWAHATI, Aug 22 – To create awareness among people about eye donation, the Regional Institute of Ophthalmology, Gauhati Medical College and hospital, would observe the eye donation fortnight from August 25 to September 8.

The current year being the silver jubilee year of eye donation fortnight, the institute has planned to observe the fortnight in a big way.

“There are about two million people in our country affected by corneal blindness. This can be cured by corneal transplantation where the diseased cornea is replaced by a healthy cornea collected from a donor after death. As there is no artificial cornea available, awareness about eye donation movement is very important to help the people suffering from corneal blindness,” a statement mentioned.