

COAVS NEWSLETTER

College of Ophthalmology & Allied Vision Sciences, Mayo Hospital, Lahore

Advancing Eye Care with Vision

Special Edition



Seminar at King Edward Medical University by COAVS in collaboration with CBM on 9th Oct, 2025



The Provincial Minister for Health and Population, Hon. Khawaja Imran Nazir, attended the ceremony as the chief guest, alongside the Provincial Minister for Prisons, Rana Abdul Mannan, and the Special Secretary for Health and Population, Mr. Aun Abbas. The event was held under the chairmanship of Prof. Dr. Muhammad Moin, Principal, College of Ophthalmology and Allied Vision Sciences. Distinguished guests included Prof. Mahmood Ayaz, Vice Chancellor KEMU, Prof. Asghar Naqi, Prof. Abrar Ashraf, Prof. Emeritus Dr. Asad Aslam Khan, and Fehmida Mirza, Country Representative CBM.

The ceremony marked **the launch of the Cataract Project**, being implemented in collaboration with CBM, to provide cataract surgeries and essential eye-care services across 42 hospitals in 29 districts of Punjab.



Eye Screening at KEMU with Hon. Minister Khawaja Imran Nazir

World Sight Day Celebrations & Launch of Pakistan Inclusive Eye Health Project, Sargodha in Collaboration with Sightsavers, 7th Oct, 2025; Launching graced by Hon. Minister Khawaja Imran Nazir



PIEH Sargodha established Vision and Refraction Clinics at **11 Rural Health Centers and 09 Tehsil Head Quarter Hospitals** along with equipment and capacity building support at District Head Quarter Hospital to support quality secondary eye care services.

Improving Access to quality Inclusive eye care through PEEK-Projects Punjab

Four events of World Sight Day in Layyah District, Punjab



District-level activities were successfully carried out in collaboration with CBM across Lahore, Chakwal, Layyah, and Rahim Yar Khan, with a total of 14 events conducted. These activities included child screening, awareness sessions, distribution of IEC materials and direct community engagement involving LHWs, and health professionals on Glaucoma and ROP.

World Sight Day 2025 at THQ Hospital Sadiqabad



Six events of World Sight Day in Chakwal District, Punjab



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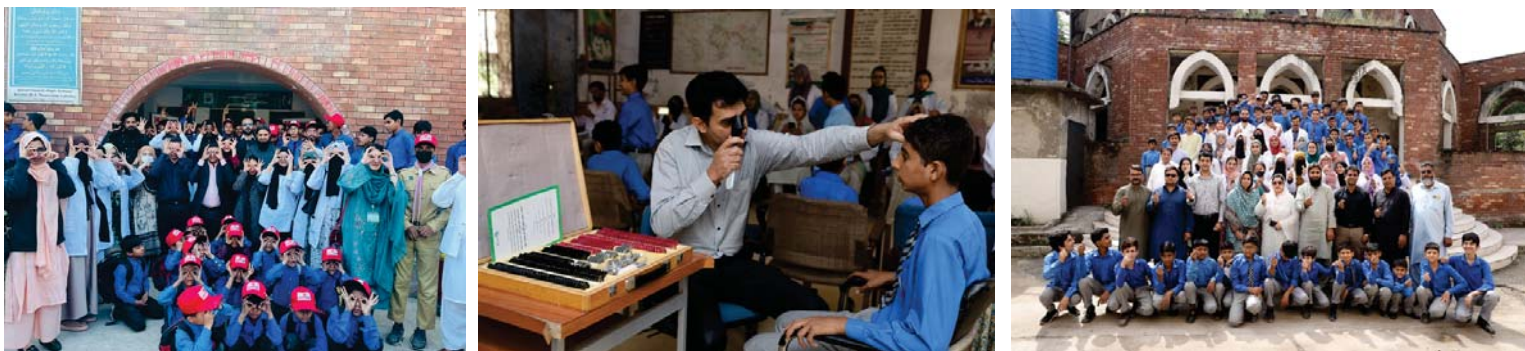
WORLD 2025 SIGHT DAY

عالمی یوم بصارت
 سی-بی-ایم پیک پروجیکٹ
 پنجاب (پکوال)
 بصارت سب کے لیے آسان - عام اور سستی
 خاموش بیماری (کالا موتیا)
 کیا آپ جانتے ہیں؟

کالا موتیا ایک ایسی بیماری ہے جو آہستہ آہستہ نظر کو ختم کر دیتا ہے اور شروع میں اس کی کوئی علامات ظاہر نہیں ہوتیں اس لیے اسے دیکھ سے اس کو خاموش بیماری کہا جاتا ہے

YOUR EYES #Love YOUR EYES
 بہترین بینائی
 سہجائی شریک

School Screening in Lahore by COAVS in Collaboration with CBM Pakistan



Peek Project Punjab Program team with Optometrists Ms. Beenish Latif, Mr. Anwar Awan and Mr. HM Shahbaz conducted eye screening at three schools in Lahore and provided on site refraction along with program supported glasses. The activity aimed to raise awareness among teachers and young students about eye care early screening and its importance.

Comprehensive Eye care For Female agriculture workers project & NSRP

WSD event Conducted by COAVS in collaboration with FHF at Special Education Center, District Lodhran



WSD Awareness walk Quid e Azam Medical College Bahawalpur

World Sight Day by COAVS in collaboration with FHF at Mianwali; Awareness Seminar along with Govt. Officials, Special Education School Students, Social Welfare department with Additional Deputy Commissioner, Salman Ahmad

WSD celebrated by COAVS in collaboration with FHF at Ghazi University Dera Ghazi Khan



Seminar for WSD celebration and Photography Competition under CEC For Female agriculture workers project at Quid e Azam Medical College Bahawalpur



Seminar held on International World Sight Day at Government Girls Model High School Jauharabad, Khushab



A seminar in observance of International World Sight Day was held on 9th October 2025 at Government Girls Model High School Jauharabad, Khushab. The event brought together key representatives from the District Education Authority and the health and special education sectors, including CEO Shabbir Ahmad Sabri, Dr. Zulfiqar Ali (Ophthalmologist, DHQ Khushab), Mr. Faisal Naem (Focal Person, Special Education), Mr. Shahid Iqbal (Assistant Director, Education Department), and Qaiser Abbas (Deputy District Education Authority).

The seminar was hosted under the leadership of Principal Memoona Ahsan and supported by District Coordinator Mr. Khaleel Ahmad and the National Sight Restoring Project (NSRP) team, with active participation from the teaching staff and students of the school. The session focused on raising awareness about eye health and the importance of early detection to prevent visual impairment. WSD celebrations were also done in Vehari in collaboration with FHF.



Improving National System in Pakistan for Integrated Action on Refractive Errors (INSPIRE), Multan & Sheikhpura



Sightsavers

District Sheikhpura

Date: 4th October 2025

Venue: BHU Kakar Gil, near Khan Kan Dogran

Chief Guest: Sardar Muhammad Irfan Dogar, MNA & Federal Parliamentary Secretary for Heritage and Culture



District Multan

Date: 9th October 2025

Venue: Maryam Nawaz Hospital, Qadir Pur Raan

Chief Guest: Mr. Wasif Mazhar Raan, MPA, Punjab
Guest of Honor: Prof. Dr. M. Rashid Qamar Rao, Principal, Nistar Medical College delivered on-site ophthalmological specialist consultations during the community camp and presented an expert lecture on the significance of eye health.



Pakistan Inclusive Eye Health Project, Khanewal & Sargodha

District Khanewal

Date: 4th October 2025

Venue: Chak # 11-AH, Tehsil & district Khanewal

Chief Guest: Mr. Muhammad Saleem Hanif, Parliamentary Secretary, Communication and Works Department, Government of Punjab



District Sargodha

Date: 4th October 2025

Venue: RHC Tehsil Sillanwali, District Sargodha

Chief Guest: Rana Munawar Ghus Minister Zakat & Ushar Punjab



World Sight Day was celebrated across four districts by COAVS in collaboration with Sightsavers International, engaging communities to promote awareness on the importance of eye health and preventive care. Key personnel involved in legislation and policy making were also actively engaged in the celebrations.