## **NEWS BULLETIN**

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## **Eye Care Program Fact Sheet** (July 2014 – August 2023)

Services Provided	August	Total
Eye Camps	9	394
Eye examination	2529	186,637
Eyeglasses distribution	556	38,477
Medicines Provided	0	8,413
Surgeries Conducted	430	17,516

## SCHOOL SIGHT TESTING PROGRAM (SSTP):

Our School Sight Testing Program (SSTP) undertook to cover all the primary and secondary schools of Khaga Kharibari Union of Dimla Upazila, Nilphamari district. In August 2023, ECP-MSS screened 676 students (359 were girls and 315 were boys) from 08 schools in Nilphamari district. In these camps, ECP provided 18 custom-made spectacles. In addition, interactive eve care awareness presentations were made by team SSTP in all the classrooms, and awareness flyers were distributed among the students. Eye Problem Pointer Placards were given to the school authorities.



Students eye examination going on at Nilphamari

These SSTP's were sponsored by ECP's donors Mrs. Nancy Rahman and Ms. Sajiya Tareen. ECP-MSS contributed technical support, staff, time, and logistical support



Students get custom-made eyeglasses!

Patients waiting for the registration

## **EYE CAMPS:**

In August 2023, ECP conducted nine (9) eye camps in Nilphamari, Thakurgoan, and Panchagarh districts in conjunction with partner hospitals between 5 and 29 August 2023. In these eye camps, 2529 patients were screened, and 556 spectacles were given out. Cataract was identified among 528 patients, and 430 surgeries were successfully performed. Technical support to the eye camps was provided by ECP's partner hospitals - Shafiuddin Ahmed Foundation (SAF) Hospital, Thakurgaon, Rangpur Eye Hospital, Rangpur.

Of these surgeries, 220 surgeries were sponsored by the esteemed donors of ECP-MSS, while the remaining 210 were sponsored by Manabik Shahajya Sangstha.



Patients eye examination going on at Thakurgaon

In the rural areas of Bangladesh, there are a huge number of cataract patients who cannot access eye care services because of high costs and lack of eye care facilities. Only Tk.3500 can restore a vision of a blind person and enable him/her to see again. Please donate to enable a person to see again. It is the gift of vision - the most valuable gift for someone who cannot see.