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LET US DEFEAT THE DARKNESS WITH VISION

“Together, we remain committed to expanding access to quality eye care and building a more inclusive and compassionate society.”

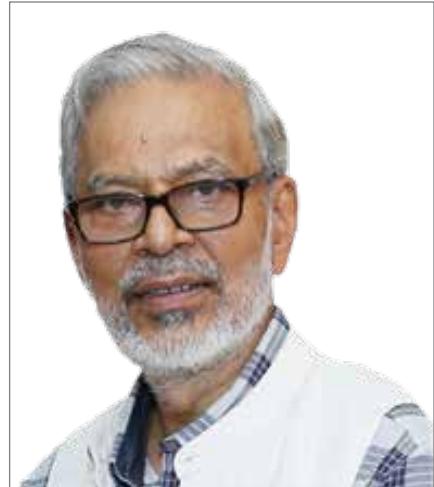
FOREWORD

It gives me great pleasure to present the Annual Report of the Eye Care Program of Manabik Shahajya Sangstha (ECP-MSS) for the year 2024–2025. Despite a challenging national context marked by political transition, the program has demonstrated resilience, professionalism, and an unwavering commitment to its mission of eliminating preventable blindness among underserved populations in Bangladesh.

These achievements are a testament to the dedication of our medical teams, program staff, partner hospitals, donors, and well-wishers. I extend my sincere appreciation to all who have contributed their time, expertise, and resources to sustain this vital work.

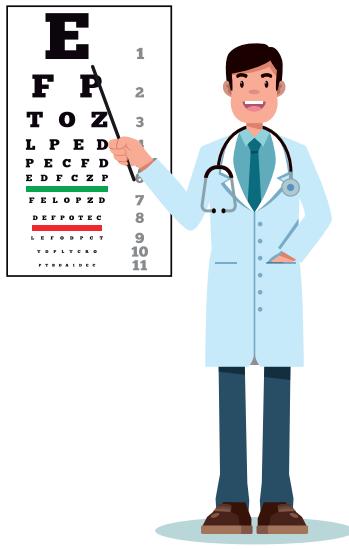
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MSS remains firmly committed to strengthening and expanding the Eye Care Program so that quality, affordable eye care reaches those who need it most. I trust this report will offer valuable insight into our collective efforts and inspire continued collaboration in the years ahead.



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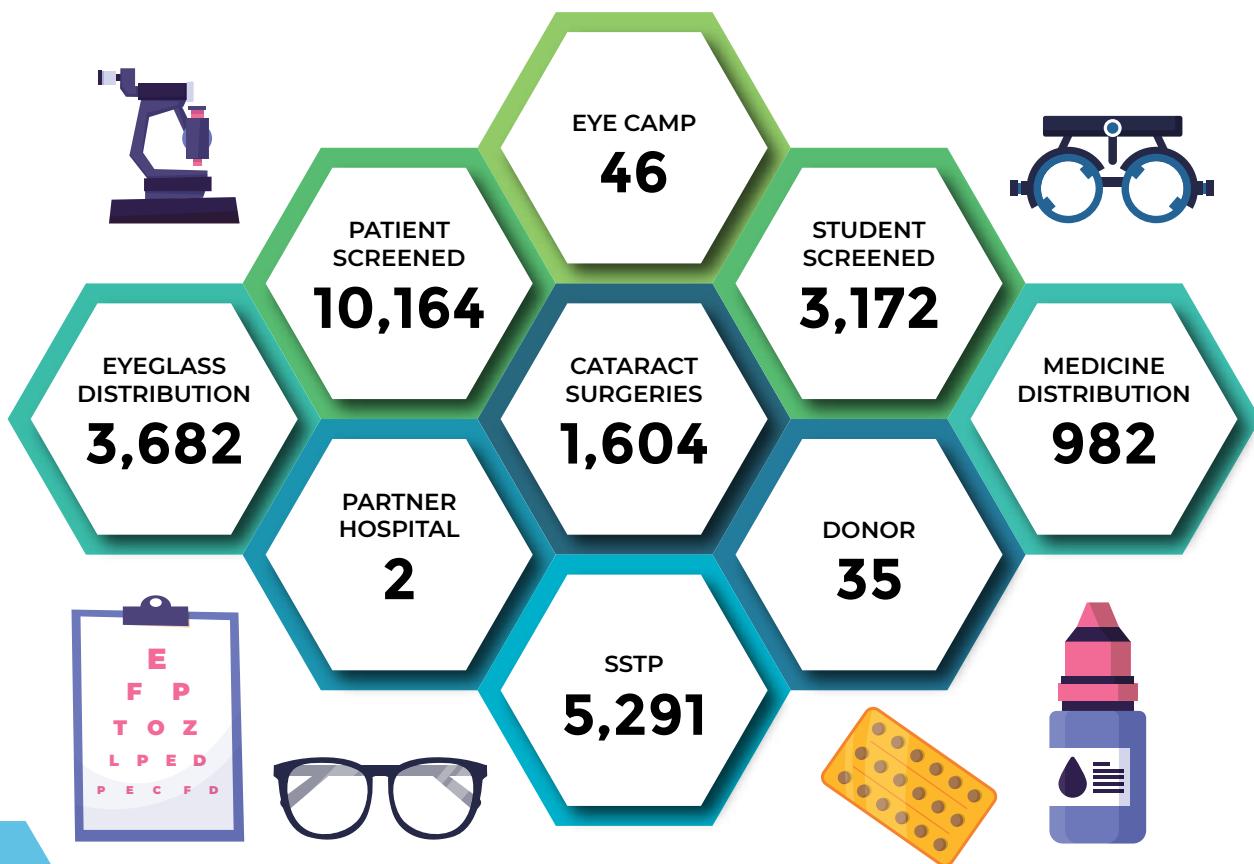
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



The Eye Care Program of Manabik Shahajya Sangstha (ECP-MSS) continued to advance its mission to eliminate preventable blindness during 2024-2025, despite operational challenges stemming from the July 2024 mass uprising and the subsequent change of government in Bangladesh.

The ECP demonstrated resilience by screening 10,164 underserved patients at 46 public eye camps and performing 1,604 life-changing cataract surgeries. In addition to community outreach, the School Sight Testing Program expanded its reach by screening 3,172 students in Dhaka to address vision issues early on. This reporting period also saw the successful launch of the Industrial Sight Testing Program, which reached 5,291 workers to improve workplace safety, and the establishment of the Corporate Sight Testing Program (CSTP). Through the mobile clinic Noyon Tori and a strong awareness campaign that distributed thousands of educational materials across programs, ECP-MSS continues to close the eye care gap for the country's most marginalized populations.

DURING JULY 2024 - JUNE 2025



INTRODUCTION:

The Eye Care Program of Manabik Shahajya Sangstha (ECP-MSS) continued its activities throughout 2024-2025, despite constraints stemming from political developments following the July 2024 mass uprising. Regular program activities included public eye camps, the School Sight Testing Program (SSTP), the Industrial Sight Testing Program (ISTP), and the launch of its Corporate Sight Testing Program (CSTP) to address the eye care needs of corporations. The number of people served was lower than the previous year, although SSTPs reached more underserved schools and students.

FREE PUBLIC EYE CAMPS

Free public eye camps are essential community health initiatives, typically organized by ECPs in partnership with hospitals, serving underserved and marginalized populations who face significant financial barriers to accessing necessary eye care. These camps are established in rural or underserved areas with limited services, serving as a crucial lifeline.

Comprehensive services include vision screenings, complete eye exams, free distribution of reading glasses and medicines, and direct surgical treatment for cataracts, a leading cause of preventable blindness. Basic eye care flyers were also handed out and explained.

During the reporting period, 46 public eye camps were conducted in 29 upazilas across 10 districts – Panchagarh, Thakurgaon, Dinajpur, Rangpur, Nilphamari, Lalmonirhat, Chapai Nawabganj, Sirajganj, Bogura, and Dhaka. At these camps, 10,164 underserved patients were examined, and 3,682 pairs of reading glasses were distributed to correct refractive errors. The initiative emphasizes raising awareness of eye health by distributing over 10,000 flyers and 200 posters highlighting basic eye care tips to promote preventive measures.



Flyer distribution and discussion on eye care awareness at an eye camp



In a remote, underserved area of Sirajganj, our expert eye doctor examines patients at an eye camp, where access to vision care can change lives.



ECP Medical Team performs detailed eye examination on patients during doorstep eye care in a far-flung area of Rangpur.

SURGERY

Cataract surgery is the leading and most impactful service provided at these public eye camps, playing a crucial role in fighting preventable blindness, especially among underserved and marginalized populations in rural areas. This procedure, which replaces a cloudy lens with an artificial one, is highly effective and directly restores vision, greatly enhancing a patient's quality of life and independence.

Cataract patients are primarily identified at our public eye camps, with a small number referred to us by our donors. Our partner hospitals perform vision-restoration surgeries, demonstrating the success of our program in controlling preventable blindness.

During the reporting period, 2,360 cataract patients were identified by screening 10,164 individuals (23.22%) across 46 eye camps; of these, 1,604 patients—about 68%—underwent successful surgery. This means roughly 15.78% of all screened patients received this life-changing procedure.

These surgeries are more than just numbers. For older adults in impoverished areas, regaining sight enables them to see family, perform household tasks, and remain independent—addressing social and economic exclusion among people with visual impairments. Free eye clinics remove financial barriers, promoting community health.



Patients identified during public eye camps are receiving sight-restoring eye surgeries at our partner hospitals.

ECP SURGERY HIGHLIGHT 2024-25

Cataract Surgery

1603



Female
894



Male
709

Left Eye
824



Right Eye
779



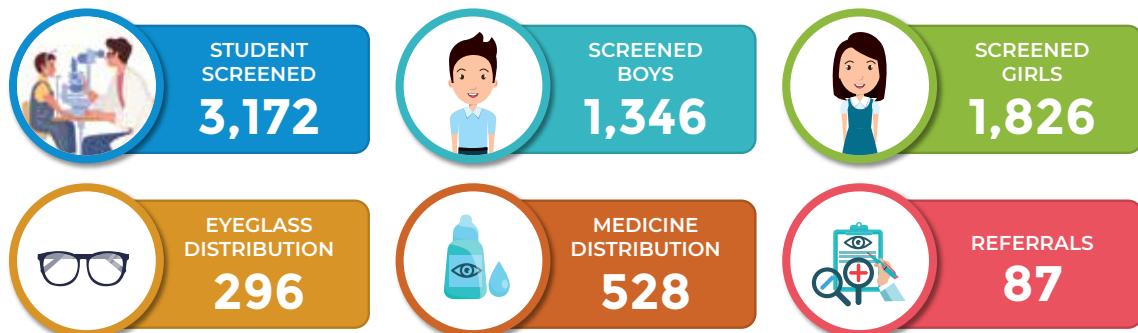
SCHOOL SIGHT TESTING PROGRAM

The School Sight Testing Program (SSTP), launched in October 2017, provides eye care to schoolchildren, especially in underserved, remote, and urban areas, to prevent blindness and vision impairment, including refractive errors. It conducts eye screenings and offers treatments such as glasses, medications, and referrals to underserved communities.

During this reporting period, ECP conducted several School Sight Testing Programs in Dhaka, focusing on underserved urban populations. Through this initiative, a large number of students were screened. Students received spectacles and eye drops while others were referred for further eye care services. Additionally, one student underwent a necessary surgical procedure.

The SSTP's success depends on its awareness campaign that delivered 79 lectures to students and teachers on primary eye care. It used 90 posters and 36 Eye Problem Pointers placards, and distributed 3,172 flyers, matching the number of screened students. By combining clinical services and health education, SSTP helps children achieve better vision and empowers teachers and communities to maintain eye health.

ECP conducted 18 SSTPs in Dhaka



Eye Doctor testing with auto-refractometer to assess optical power of students



Our esteemed donors visit the school sight-testing program, encouraging our team and inspiring brighter futures for our children.

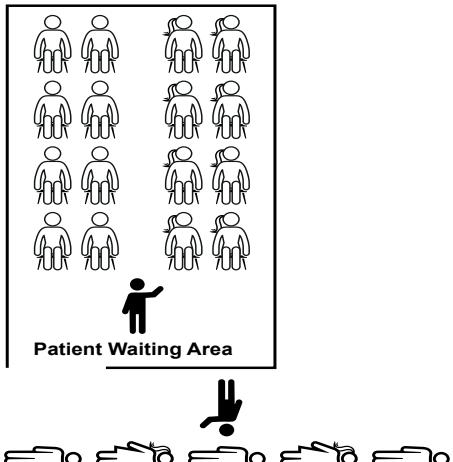
INDUSTRIAL SIGHT TESTING PROGRAM

Addressing the urgent need to improve worker health and maintain productivity, ECP-MSS, with Shafiuddin Ahmed Foundation (SAF) Hospital, launched the Industrial Sight Testing Program (ISTP) this year. This initiative targets the industrial workforce, which is vital to the economy and requires sustained visual focus. Recognizing vision care's role in safety and productivity, the program was implemented at Northern Fashion Ltd. and Northern Clothing Ltd. as a CSR activity sponsored by the companies.

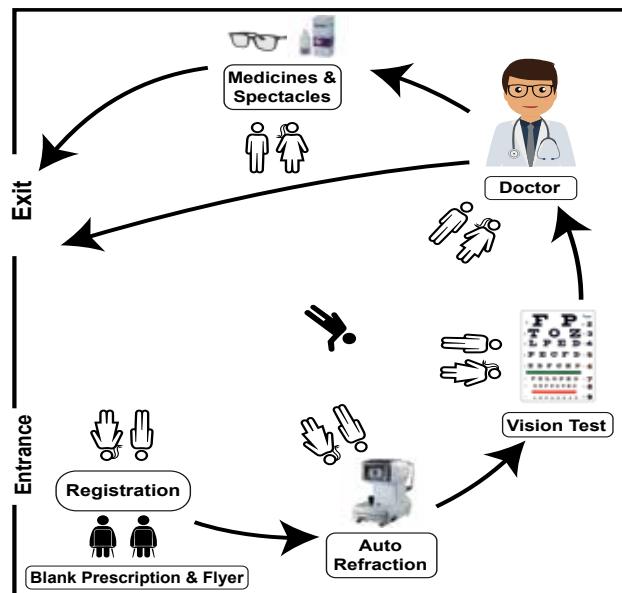
The two ISTPs involved a team of doctors and technicians who worked over 8 days (from February 17th to 27th) to reach 5,291 employees. They screened employees using advanced equipment, beginning with health literacy outreach that included an audiovisual presentation, flyers, 10 posters, and 4 EPP placards, to ensure quality care for various eye conditions.

This on-site intervention distributed 344 medicines and 521 spectacles for eye conditions, bridging a key gap in eye care for thousands of workers. It reduced safety risks and productivity losses from poor vision, contributing to the workforce's well-being and the national economy.

-  = Male Patient
-  = Female Patient
-  = Volunteer



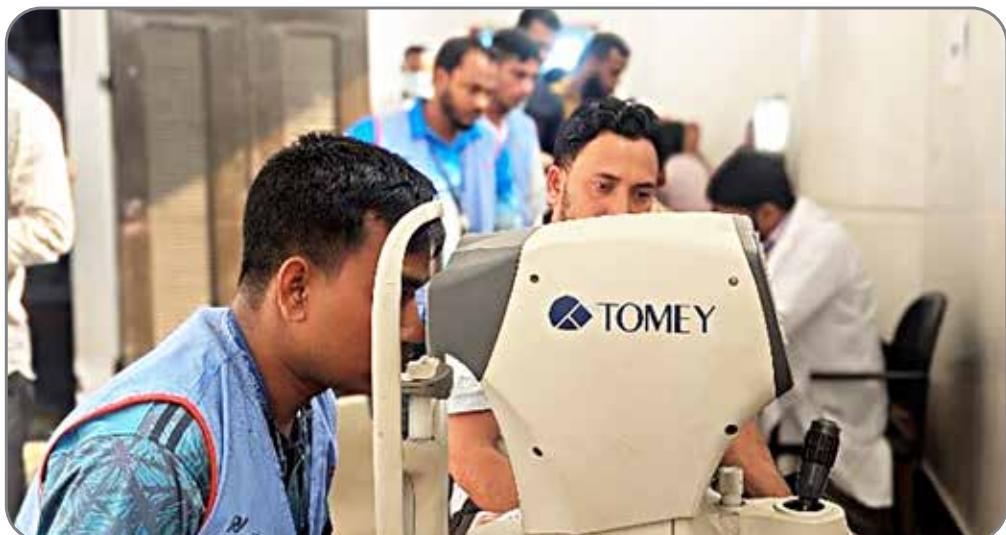
Patient Flow Diagram for Eye Camp Eye Care Program-MSS



Registration of workers during ISTP



NFL & NCL workers' eye is being tested.



Autorefraction of workers during ISTP



Staffs of ECP and MSS performing their duties.



CORPORATE SIGHT TESTING PROGRAM

ECP-MSS launched the Corporate Sight Testing Program (CSTP) in 2023 to address eye care needs among corporate employees. Early results indicate increased computer vision syndrome and refractive errors associated with extended screen time. They hosted a Corporate Eye Camp at the Epyllion Group office on March 20, 2025, offering screenings and expert advice to reduce visual risks. Nearly 150 employees participated in eye screenings and consultations.

This intervention advances a healthier work environment. Eye health awareness flyers were distributed to all, offering vital eye care information. ECP-MSS thanks Epyllion Group for its partnership, highlighting the importance of collaboration in expanding care and health.



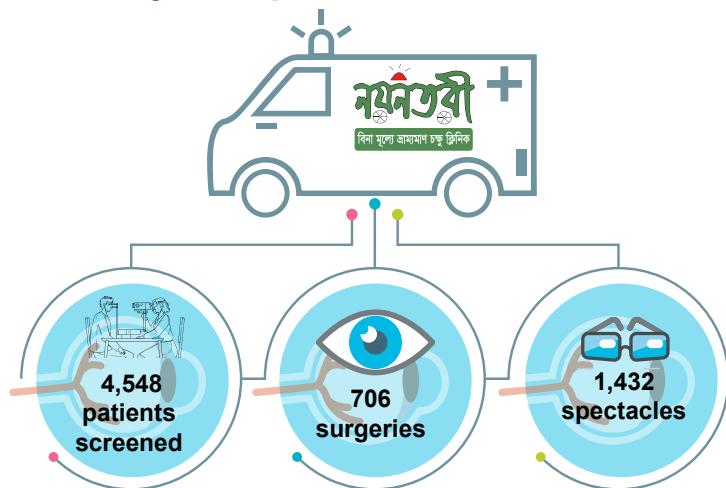
Eye Testing under the CSTP at Epyllion Group

NOYONTORI:

Noyon Tori (NT) is a mobile eye clinic donated by the Epyllion Group and Shafiuddin Ahmed Foundation to the Eye Care Program. Managed by ECP and funded by MSS, it enables the medical team to provide eye screening and care in remote areas.

Noyontori brings essential eye screenings and cataract surgery to those who are often overlooked. Traveling directly into rural districts like Panchagarh, Nilphamari, Thakurgaon and Dinajpur. Through these outreach missions, we provide spectacles and restore vision to underserved families, ensuring that distance is never a barrier to receiving quality eye care.

32 eye camps across five districts



Noyon Tori-1 in School Sight Testing Program



Noyon Tori-2 transporting patients from eye camp to the hospital at Thakurgaon

OUR DONORS AND FUNDRAISING

Our donors sustain our program and drive our mission. Their generosity enables ECP to offer sustainable eye care to underserved communities. Contributions like Zakat are crucial for our success and lasting impact. Donors support us year-round, providing continuous aid.

Over the past years, ECP's donor base has steadily grown from 92 in 2017 to 403 in 2025, showing increased confidence in our mission. Our donors include a diverse group of individuals (319) and organizations (13) from Bangladesh (359) and abroad (44) - all dedicated to restoring sight and dignity to vulnerable populations. We are very grateful to our donors.

ECP gains grassroots support through mobile digital platforms. Listing on their donation portals allows small donors to contribute, demonstrating that even modest donations make a difference when combined.

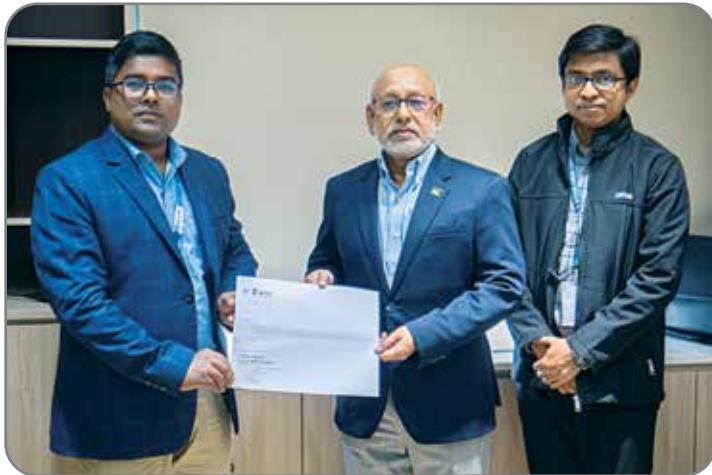
We appreciate the proactive support of all our donors. We are thankful to Mr. Feroz Hasan, Chief Advisor – MSS, and his kind-hearted wife, Amena Feroz, for helping us coordinate our fundraising efforts.

We remain deeply grateful to MSS for its continued and significant support of ECP's program.

Our donors are the backbone of ECP, whose compassion, commitment, and partnership inspire us to grow and deepen our community impact.



Our deepest thanks to Mrs. Amena Feroz. Her immense contribution to our fundraising ensures that quality eye care reaches those who need it most.



Our esteemed donors constitute the lifeline of our program. They make significant financial contributions to run our activities. Every year during the holy month of Ramadan, our donors give a portion of their zakat to continue our work of serving the underprivileged people.

OUR CORPORATE DONORS



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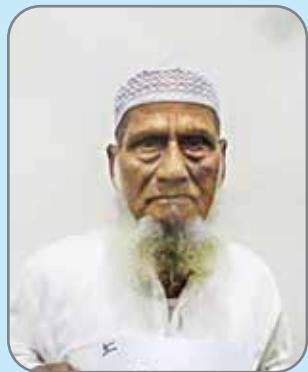


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FROM DARKNESS TO DIGNITY: SOMIUDDIN'S STORY

Somiuddin's journey highlights a heartfelt struggle with dependency. At 87, he faced more than just age — his advancing cataracts had left him unemployed and living in a world of shadows. His eyesight was so badly affected that he couldn't move around safely and depended completely on his grandchild for even simple daily tasks. Everything changed on August 26, 2024, during an eye camp at Dehon Roushonpur Dakhil Madrassa in Thakurgaon Sadar. There, ECP recognized his need for surgery and made sure he wouldn't be forgotten in his community.



Before Surgery



After Surgery

Thanks to the Eye Care Program and the compassionate care at SAF Hospital, Somiuddin was able to have his cataract surgery successfully. The operation did more than just improve his eyesight; it helped restore his sense of dignity. Now, he's no longer a burden to his grandchild and has happily regained his independence and standing as a cherished elder in Thakurgaon.

MOYNA BEGUM'S NEW BEGINNING AFTER A CENTURY

For over a century, Moyna Begum has watched the world change around her. But at 102 years old, her world suddenly went dark. Suffering from cataracts, she could no longer see her family's faces or find her way around. Then, on February 17, 2025, a ray of hope appeared. The Eye Care Program outreach team visited Pircacha Union Parishad and organized a community eye camp to help those in need.

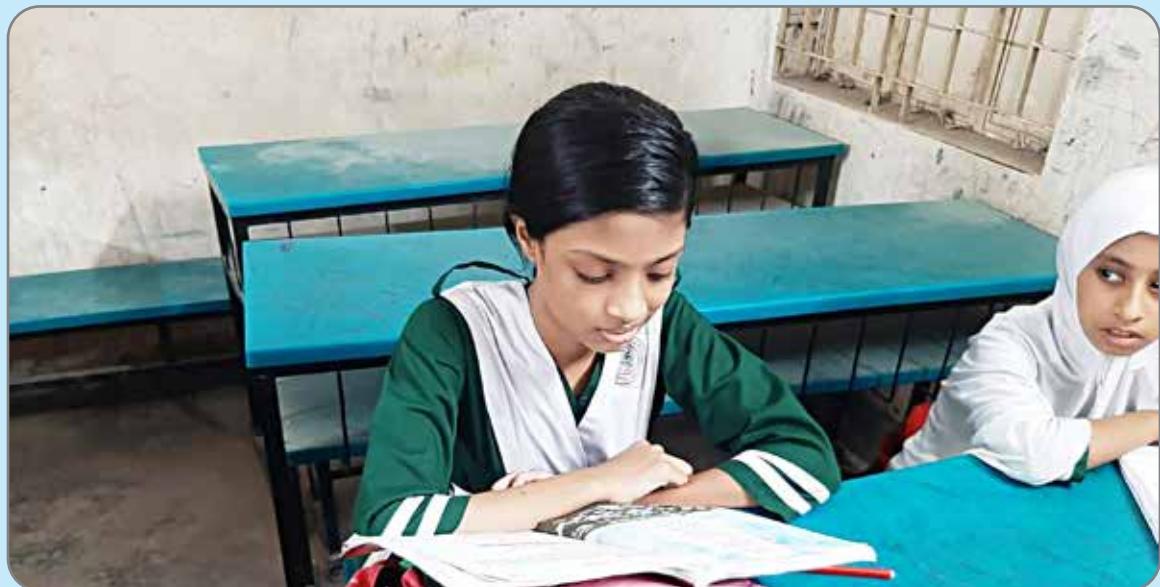
It was there that Moyna was identified as a candidate for life-changing surgery. Despite her age, the surgical team at the Rangpur Eye Hospital successfully performed the procedure. Now, the darkness was lifted. Moyna is now enjoying a beautiful life, seeing everything clearly once again. Her story reminds us that it's never too late to restore sight and restore dignity.



Before Surgery



After Surgery



After successful eye surgery, Jannat is back in school, ready to learn and dream again.

EMPOWERING A YOUNG LIFE: JANNAT'S STORY

Eleven-year-old Jannat, a bright student at Jaforabad Adorsho Govt. Primary School and the daughter of Babul Shikder, who works at a small sanitary shop in Sadek Khan Road Slum, faced a tough challenge when she was diagnosed with a traumatic cataract in her right eye. She lives in a large family with three siblings, and the cost of the specialized surgery seemed out of reach for them. Thankfully, her condition was spotted on December 24, 2024, during an Integrated Child Development Program's School Sight Testing Program funded by the Eye Care Program, MSS at Rayerbazaar High School. The Eye Care Program quickly stepped in to help, referring her to Ispahani Islamia Eye Hospital and pledging to cover all expenses for her surgery, tests, evaluations, and aftercare. Thanks to this generous help, Jannat has regained her sight and can now enjoy a joyful, independent life.

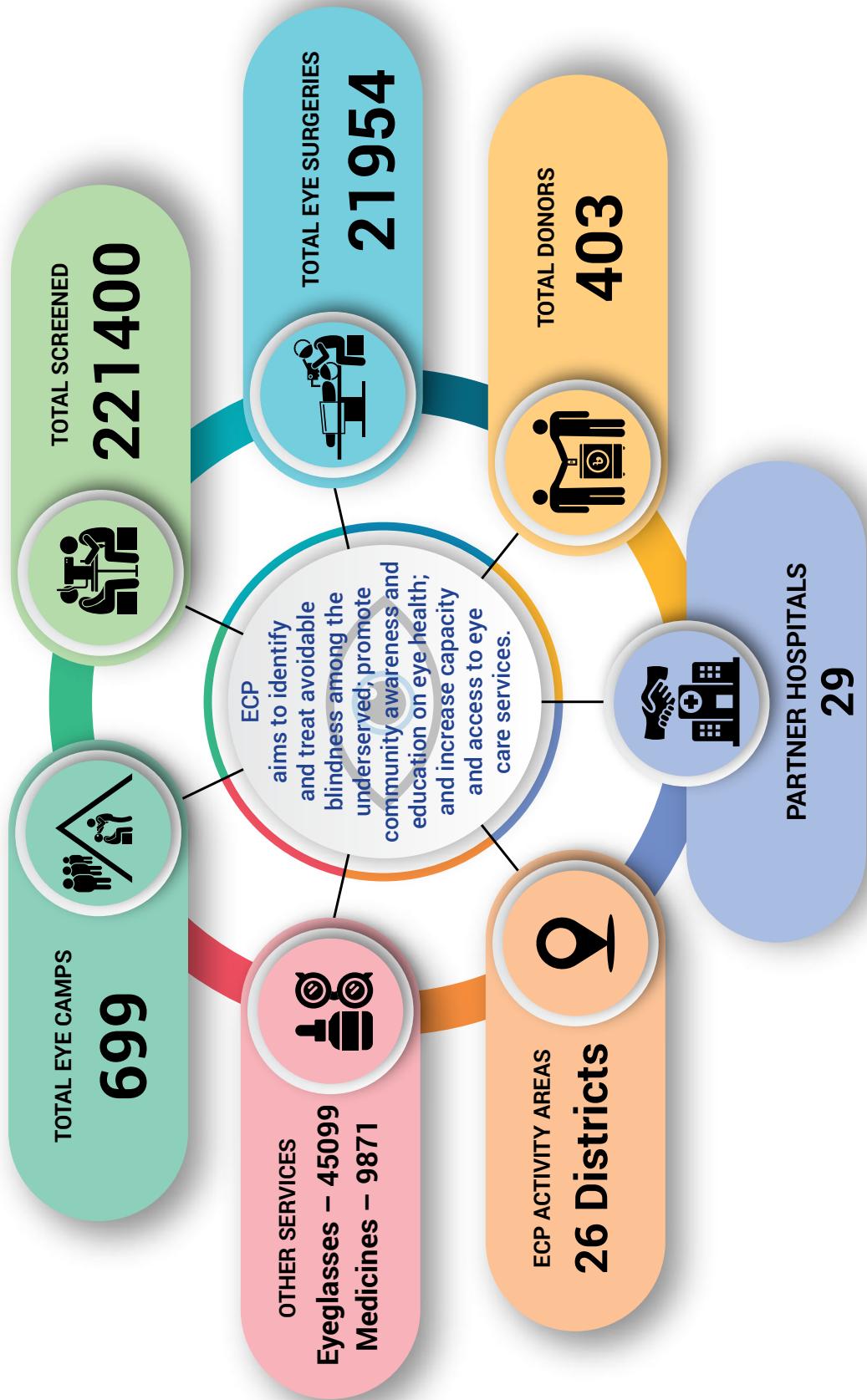
OUR PARTNERSHIPS:

ECP-MSS works with a strategic network of partner hospitals across various districts in Bangladesh to provide life-changing eye care to underserved communities. These partners play a crucial role in our mission by offering essential technical support and logistical coordination—from identifying patients at eye camps to organizing safe transportation. Our partnership model guarantees that underprivileged patients receive high-quality surgical care at heavily discounted rates. This all-inclusive support covers everything from pre-operative testing and hospital stays to premium lenses, the surgical procedure, and vital post-operative follow-up care and medications.

LIST OF PARTNER HOSPITALS

1	Safiuddin Ahmed Foundation, Thakurgaon	16	Pangsha Eye Hospital, Pangsha, Rajbari
2	Sohitun Nesa Eye Hospital, Narayanganj	17	Prime Bank Eye Hospital, House # 82, Road # 8A(New), Satmosjid Road, Dhanmondi, Dhaka 1209
3	Prof. M. A Matin Memorial BNSB Base Eye Hospital, Kalibari, Sirajganj	18	Majharul Hoque BNSB Eye Hospital, Camilla Road, Chandpur
4	Prof. M. A Matin Memorial CSF Eye Hospital, 116 Shantinagar Dhaka	19	Al-Noor Eye Hospital, Satmasjid Road, Lalmatia, Dhaka
5	Shahjadpur Eye Hospital, Shahjadpur Upazila, Sirajganj	20	Makka Eye Hospital, Uttara, Dhaka
6	Tarash Eye Hospital, Tarash, Sirajganj	21	Makka Eye Hospital, Dewla, Tangail
7	Bera Eye Hospital, Bera Pabna	22	Makka Eye Hospital, 76 Sagarpura, Boalia, Rajshahi
8	Ishwardi Eye Hospital, Ishwardi, Pabna	23	Makka Eye Hospital, 11/1,11/2, Kakoli Lane, Rangpur
9	Talim Nagar Eye Hospital, Pabna	24	Rangpur Eye Hospital, Rangpur
10	Gurdaspur Eye Hospital, Natore	25	Ispahani Islamia Eye Institute and Hospital, Dhaka
11	Rajshahi Eye Hospital, Malopara, Rajshahi	26	Ispahani Islamia Eye Institute and Hospital, Jamalpur
12	Nougaon Eye Hospital, Muktir Mor, Nougaon	27	Dhaka progressive lions eye hospital, Narshingdi
13	Bangladesh Jatiya And Kalyan Samity (BJAKS), Cumilla	28.	Al Hakim Eye Hospital & Phaco Center, Dokkhin Jatrabari, Jatrabari, Dhaka 1204
14	Katrasin Eye Hospital, Shibaloy, Manikganj	29	ECB Specialized Eye Hospital, ECB Chottor, Mirpur, Dhaka
15	Bhuapur Eye Hospital, Tangail		

EYE CARE PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS 2014 - 2025 (JUNE)



ECP ACTIVITY AREAS

WHERE WE WORKED: 2014 – June 2025			
SL#	Division	District	Thana/ Upazila
1	Dhaka	Narayanganj	Sadar, Bondor, Sonargaon, Rupganj
		Gazipur	Sadar, Kaliakair
		Manikganj	Ghior
		Tangail	Kalihati
		Narshingdi	Sadar
		Dhaka	Metropolitan - Jatrabari, Gulshan, Uttara, Lalbagh, Khilgaon, Pallabi, Badda, Sobujbagh, Gendaria, Mirpur, Kamrangichor; Keraniganj, Tejgaon
2	Rangpur	Panchagarh	Sadar, Debiganj, Atwari, Boda, Tetulia
		Dinajpur	Birganj, Parbotipur, Khanshama
		Salmonirhat	Sadar, Hatibandha, Aditmari, Kaliganj, Patgram
		Nilphamari	Sadar, Saidpur, Domar, Dimla, Joldhaka, Kishorganj
		Gaibandha	Sadar, Sundorganj, Shadullapur, Gobindoganj
		Thakurgaon	Sadar, Pirganj, Ranisonkoil, Horipur, Baliadangi
		Rangpur	Sadar, Taraganj, Gongachora, Kaunia, Mithapukur, Pirkacha, Bodorganj
		Kurigram	Sadar, Rajarhat, Rowmari
3	Rajshahi	Sirajganj	Tarash, Ullapara
		Pabna	Sadar, Ishwardi, Bhangura, Bera, Atghoria, Chatmohor, Shathia, Foridpur, Sujanagar
		Bogura	Sadar, Kahalu, Dhunot, Sherpur, Sariakandi
		Rajshahi	Sadar, Bagha, Bagmara
		Natore	Sadar, Shingra, Boraigram, Lalpur, Noldanga, Bagatipara
		Joypurhat	Kalai
		Chapainobabganj	Sadar, Gomostapur, Shibganj, Nachol, Bholahat
		Noagoan	Mohadebpur, Manda, Raninagar
4	Chittagong	Chandpur	Sadar, Foridganj
		Feni	Sonagazi, Porshuram, Dagonbhuiya
5	Khulna	Kushtia	Bheramara
6	Mymensingh	Jamalpur	Sadar, Shorisabari, Madarganj

Division - 6

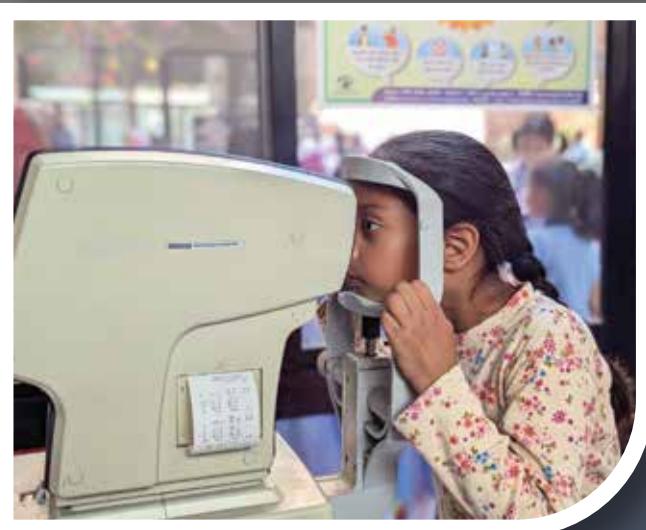
Districts - 26

Thana/ Upazila - 103

MANABIK SHAHAJYA SANGSTHA'S EYE CARE PROGRAM

ECP-MSS aims to eliminate preventable blindness. In 2024–2025, despite political conflicts. It screened 10,164 underserved patients at 46 free eye camps and performed 1,604 cataract surgeries. The School Sight Testing Program reached 3,172 underprivileged students in Dhaka to detect early vision problems and address those. The Industrial Sight Testing Program served 5,291 factory workers and improved workplace safety. ECP-MSS also initiated the Corporate Sight Testing Program (CSTP) to serve corporate-sector employees. Using its mobile clinic, Noyon Tori and awareness campaigns, it distributed educational materials and continues to enhance its capacity to provide quality, affordable eye care to Bangladesh's marginalized populations.





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