

## Behind Every Surgery, a Story of Survival and Strength

In a remote village near Hyderabad-Telangana, G. Devakamma, a daily wage farmer, struggled to support her family as her eyesight began to fail. Earning just ₹300 a day, affording healthcare was out of reach—until a mobile eye health van from Sightsavers India's Urban Eye Health Programme arrived.



Diagnosed with cataract, she received free surgery at PVRI Hospital, Hyderabad. Today, with her vision restored, Devakamma is back in the fields, supporting her family and their future with strength and hope.



## Madhya Pradesh Sets Child Eye Health Targets for 2025-26

For the first time, all 51 districts in Madhya Pradesh have been assigned both screening and spectacle targets, with estimates for children likely to have refractive errors.

In 2025-26, 19.39 lakh children will be screened, and around 1.38 lakh are expected to need vision correction. Approved by the Mission Director, NHM, this initiative will be supported by Sightsavers India across all districts.

## Door-to-Door Eye Screenings Reach Over 12,000 in Alwar, Rajasthan

Community Mobilisers in Ramgarh and Laxmangarh blocks of Alwar district conducted regular door-to-door eye screenings during May-June 2025. Six mobilisers screened 12,383 individuals (6,608 males and 5,775 females), identifying 401 potential cataract cases, all referred to Vision Centres for further care.

## Improving Access to Vision Correction in Ramgarh, Jharkhand



Over 120 free spectacles were distributed in Jharkhand to individuals

with uncorrected refractive errors, with a focus on the elderly and economically weaker sections of the society.

The spectacles were prescribed by trained optometrists during outreach camps, helping improve visual health and enhance daily functioning.

## Focused Eye Care for Fishermen Community in Chennai



A special outreach eye camp was held in April-2025, Injambakkam, Chennai, targeting the local fishermen community. Of the 192 individuals screened, 115 were diagnosed with refractive errors, and 33 were identified with cataract and referred to the Government Ophthalmology Hospital for further treatment.

## Our Impact April to June 2025



**9,91,692**  
Eye Screenings



**4,21,706**  
People Refracted



**1,28,733**  
Spectacles Distributed



**75,818**  
Sight Restoration Surgeries Enabled



**3,280**  
CVIs as beneficiaries of  
Inclusive Education Programme



**69**  
CVIs who received assistive/  
ICT devices



**266**  
CVIs who received education  
materials



**416**  
CVIs trained on PLUS  
curriculum & ICT

## Inclusive Education Impact: CVIs Excel in Board Exams



In **Jharkhand**, 26 Children with Visual Impairment (CVIs) (12 boys, 14 girls) from Hazaribagh and Deoghar cleared Class 10 and 12 board exams.

In **Odisha**, 68 CVIs appeared—51 from Ganjam and 17 from Kalahandi—with a 98.5% success rate.

In **Uttar Pradesh**, three CVIs took the Class 10 exams, with two passing in the second division.

## Promoting Inclusive Education in Kasganj, Uttar Pradesh

Admission support was extended to 9 children with visual impairments (CVIs), enabling their enrolment in age-appropriate classes at mainstream schools. This was made possible through close coordination with families and school authorities, nurturing an inclusive and supportive learning environment.



## Strengthening Livelihoods for PwDs in Gaya, Bihar

In Gaya, 30 persons with disabilities (PwDs) were engaged in livelihood activities—19 individually and 11 through self-help groups (SHGs).

Additionally, 10 PwDs received soft skills training, 10 were counselled for further skill development, and 24 accessed financial support from Disabled People's Groups (DPGs). Candidates with low vision impairment (LVI) were also identified for computer training at Tanya Computer Centre, Gaya.

Sightsavers India has been working to eliminate avoidable blindness and promote equal opportunities for people with disabilities since 1966.

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