

## **CBM India Trust inaugurates low-vision centre in Amritsar, in collaboration with AIIMS and RIO**

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### **The inauguration of a low-vision centre marks a milestone as part of the Roshini Programme**

CBM India Trust, a non-profit organization dedicated to disability-inclusive development, in collaboration with Dr. Rajendra Prasad Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences (AIIMS) and the Regional Institute of Ophthalmology, has inaugurated a low-vision centre at the Government Medical College, Amritsar. The inaugural event marked a significant step forward in developing inclusive eye care services for people with visual impairments.

The Low-Vision Centre is established under the Roshini programme by CBM India Trust in partnership with Dr. Rajendra Prasad Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences (AIIMS), regional AIIMS, and Regional Institutes of Ophthalmology.

The Low-Vision Centre is staffed by qualified professionals and offers a diverse range of services for people with low vision, including assessments, advanced screenings, and solution-oriented consultations.

The Centre is equipped with low-vision kits containing essential tools and devices to enhance the patients' visual performance—spectacles, magnifiers, talking watches, foldable canes, and more. As part of the initiative, outreach camps will be conducted in schools for the blind, offering eye screenings and assistive technology.

Additionally, support will be provided to persons with visual impairments in applying for disability certifications to facilitate access to government programs and benefits.

Along with the Low-Vision Centre in Amritsar, two more centres were recently launched at regional AIIMS in Jodhpur and Bhubaneswar, and one more is set to be inaugurated at the Regional Institute of Ophthalmology in Patna.