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# From the President



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Optometry is not merely a profession — it is a promise. A promise to safeguard vision, to restore clarity, and to illuminate lives with the gift of sight. Across continents and cultures, optometrists stand united by compassion, science, and an unwavering commitment to community eye health.

As we move forward in an era of innovation and collaboration, let us continue to elevate standards, strengthen education, embrace research, and serve humanity with integrity and excellence. The world sees more clearly because of your dedication.

Together, let us shape a future where quality eye care is accessible to all, and where optometry shines as a pillar of global health.



# Mizoram X IOF



**A meaningful meeting was held with the Optometry Association Mizoram in Aizawl, fostering dialogue, collaboration, and professional unity.**

**The discussions centered on strengthening optometry practice in the region, enhancing continuing education, and expanding access to quality eye care services. Emphasis was placed on community outreach, early detection of visual disorders, and the role of optometrists in advancing public health across Mizoram.**

**The interaction reflected a shared vision of progress and partnership — reaffirming the collective commitment to elevate optometry standards and ensure comprehensive eye care reaches every corner of the state.**

# Insights from Optometry Sangam 2.0

**Optometry Sangam 2.0**, held in the vibrant city of **Gorakhpur**, marked a remarkable gathering of minds dedicated to advancing the profession of optometry in India. The event brought together practitioners, academicians, students, and industry leaders on one dynamic platform to celebrate knowledge, collaboration, and professional growth.

The conference was enriched with inspiring talks by eminent speakers who shared insights on evolving clinical practices, technological advancements, research innovations, and the expanding scope of optometry in India.



Beyond lectures, Optometry Sangam 2.0 became a true “Sangam” — a confluence of ideas, experiences, and wisdom. Meaningful discussions, exchange of perspectives, and networking opportunities strengthened professional bonds and encouraged collaborative initiatives.

The deliberations emphasized the pivotal role of optometry in India’s healthcare system — from primary eye care and early disease detection to vision rehabilitation and preventive awareness.



# EyeMed Connect 2026



**EyeMed Connect 2026**, held in **Kiratpur** on 1st February 2026, emerged as a remarkable national conference dedicated to advancing awareness in eye health and strengthening professional knowledge across the country.

The conference illuminated critical discussions on prevalent eye conditions such as cataract, glaucoma, red eye, ocular trauma, and refractive errors — emphasizing early detection, timely referral, and preventive care. Eminent speakers and experts shared valuable clinical insights, empowering practitioners to deliver informed and compassionate care. Beyond academic enrichment, EyeMed Connect 2026 served as a platform of inspiration — uniting professionals under a shared mission to reduce avoidable visual impairment and promote accessible eye care for all.

The event stood as a testament to the growing commitment of the optometry community towards education, awareness, and excellence — bringing clarity not only to vision, but to purpose.

# Uniting Optometry: Subharti College of Allied and Healthcare

A thoughtful and constructive Board of Studies meeting was convened at Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, bringing together academic leaders and representatives of the Optometry Association Uttar Pradesh.

The meeting focused on strengthening the academic framework of optometry education, aligning curriculum standards with evolving clinical practices, and ensuring that students are equipped with contemporary knowledge and ethical values. Meaningful discussions emphasized quality education, research orientation, and the growing responsibilities of optometrists in India's healthcare system.

The collaborative dialogue reflected a shared commitment to academic excellence and professional advancement, reinforcing the vision of nurturing competent, compassionate, and future-ready optometrists for the nation.



# IOF - WCO - IOA



A significant and forward-looking meeting was convened between the **Indian Optometry Federation**, the **Indian Optometric Association**, and representatives of the **World Council of Optometry**.

The deliberations were centered on shaping a unified vision for the future of optometry, safeguarding the professional rights of optometrists, and outlining strategic steps necessary for sustainable growth and global alignment. Thoughtful discussions addressed policy advocacy, standardization of education, scope of practice, professional recognition, and collaborative initiatives at national and international levels.

The meeting reflected solidarity, leadership, and a shared commitment to strengthening the profession with dignity and purpose. It marked a progressive step toward empowering optometrists, advancing healthcare integration, and ensuring that the voice of optometry is heard with clarity and authority.

With collective wisdom and mutual respect, the leaders reaffirmed their dedication to building a stronger, more recognized, and future-ready optometry profession.



# IOF BOARD MEET 2026

The Board Meeting of the **Indian Optometry Federation (IOF)** was successfully held on **22nd February 2026 in Delhi**. The meeting brought together board members and representatives from across India, reflecting the collective commitment of the optometry community toward strengthening the profession. Members reviewed the progress of ongoing initiatives and shared insights on the impact of these efforts on the optometry profession. The board also deliberated on upcoming plans and strategies, presenting a structured and forward-looking roadmap aimed at advancing optometric practice, education, and professional recognition in the country.



An important highlight of the day was the commencement of the IOF elections. The election process was conducted in a fair, transparent, and democratic manner, ensuring active participation and representation from members across the nation. The successful conduct of the elections reflected the organization's commitment to ethical governance and inclusivity. The newly elected board members also took an oath for optometry, reaffirming their dedication to the growth of the profession, the welfare of practitioners, and the delivery of quality eye care services to society.

The meeting concluded with a shared vision among members to work collaboratively and strengthen the future of optometry in India through unity, innovation, and professional excellence.



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