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An ophthalmologist is a doctor who diagnoses, medically treats and surgically operates on eye diseases — such as cataract, glaucoma, retinal disorders and vision correction.



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1 About this career

An ophthalmologist is a doctor who diagnoses, medically treats and surgically operates on eye diseases — such as cataract, glaucoma, retinal disorders and vision correction.

2 At a glance

Minimum qualification	MBBS + MS/MD Ophthalmology
Duration	About 8–9 years
Selection exam	NEET-UG, NEET-PG
Avg Salary	₹70,000–5 lakh/month

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Interest in science and the eye's fine structure
- Precise, hands-on microsurgical work
- Helping others and restoring sight

ABILITIES

- Sharp attention to detail
- Good vision and hand-eye coordination
- Steady hands and microsurgical skill

KEY SKILLS

- Eye examination and diagnosis
- Laser and retinal treatment techniques
- Patient counselling and care
- Cataract and microsurgery
- Using eye equipment (OCT/slit-lamp)
- Medical ethics and teamwork

4 How to get there

- 1 Complete 10+2 in Science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology).

- 2 Clear NEET-UG and complete MBBS (5.5 years).
- 3 Complete internship and register with NMC.
- 4 Via NEET-PG, do MS/MD Ophthalmology (or Diploma).
- 5 Optional: fellowship in cornea/retina/glaucoma.
- 6 After registration, begin hospital or private practice.

MAIN EXAMS

- NEET-UG — entry to MBBS
- NEET-PG — entry to MS/MD

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- एस.एम.एस. मेडिकल कॉलेज — Jaipur, Rajasthan
- आर.यू.एच.एस. कॉलेज ऑफ मेडिकल साइंसेज — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://ruhsraj.org>)
- अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान (एम्स) — Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- डॉ. आर.पी. सेंटर, एम्स नई दिल्ली — New Delhi (<https://www.aiims.edu>)
- पी.जी.आई.एम.ई.आर. — Chandigarh (<https://www.pgimer.edu.in>)

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- शंकर नेत्रालय — Chennai, Tamil Nadu (<https://www.sankaranethralaya.org>)
- अरविंद आई हॉस्पिटल — Madurai, Tamil Nadu (<https://aravind.org>)
- एल.वी. प्रसाद आई इंस्टिट्यूट — Hyderabad, Telangana (<https://www.lvpei.org>)

ONLINE

- स्वयं (SWAYAM) — Online (<https://swayam.gov.in>)
- कोर्सेरा (पूरक कोर्स) — Online (<https://www.coursera.org>)

FEES

Government MBBS/MS fees are about ₹35,000–1 lakh per year, while private MD/MS Ophthalmology may cost ₹5–15 lakh per year (2026 estimate).

SCHOLARSHIPS

- National Scholarship Portal (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in>)
- Mukhyamantri Uchch Shiksha Chhatravritti (Rajasthan) (<https://hte.rajasthan.gov.in>)

- Buddy4Study (<https://www.buddy4study.com>)
- Vidya Lakshmi Education Loan (<https://www.vidyalakshmi.co.in>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Clinics, government and private hospitals, dedicated eye hospitals, medical colleges, research institutes and private clinics.

WORK CULTURE

Usually 6 days a week, 9–10 hours; work is largely OPD and planned surgery. Eye camps are common. Opportunities exist for persons with disabilities too.

WHO HIRES

- Government hospitals (SMS, AIIMS Jodhpur)
- Private hospitals and eye clinics
- NGOs and community eye camps
- Dedicated eye-hospital chains (Aravind, Sankara Nethralaya)
- Medical colleges and research institutes
- Own eye clinic

DEMAND (2026)

Cataract, refractive errors, diabetes-related retinal disease and ageing keep demand for ophthalmologists high; India's drive to reduce avoidable blindness adds further opportunities.

7 Career growth

- 1 Intern
- 2 Junior Doctor / Resident
- 3 Ophthalmologist
- 4 Senior Ophthalmologist
- 5 Head of Department
- 6 Medical Director / Superintendent

EARNINGS

Starting	₹70,000–1,20,000/माह
Mid level	₹1.5–4 लाख/माह
Senior level	₹5–15 लाख/माह

Earnings depend on experience, institution and private practice; surgical volume and super-specialty raise income (2026 estimate).

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- Deep satisfaction of restoring sight
- Relatively regular hours (few night emergencies)
- High income and private-practice opportunities

The challenges

- Pressure of extremely fine, precise work
- Expensive equipment and setup costs
- Long training and stiff competition

9 Real-life journeys

Dr. Tatyrao Lahane

Eye Surgeon, Padma Shri

Born into a farmer's family and saved by his mother's donated kidney after childhood renal failure, Dr. Tatyrao Lahane set a world record with over 1.6 lakh cataract surgeries. A former Dean of J.J. Hospital, Mumbai, he received the Padma Shri in 2008.

Wikipedia · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/T._P._Lahane

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AIIMS New Delhi · https://www.aiims.edu/index.php/en/component/content/article/256-rpc_25_8/5710-dr-radhika-tdon-chief-professor-of-ophthalmology

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