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## THE LAUNCH OF A NEW EVF IN SINGAPORE

The ground-breaking photobiology research that led to the launch of Crizal Previncia received a prestigious innovation award at the end of April.

In Singapore, Essilor launched its new vision foundation to bring vision care to those in need. During the event, eye testing and vision correction were provided to 300 students selected by the Singapore Indian Development Association (SINDA). Singapore's Minister for Environment & Water Resources, Dr Balakrishnan, was present for the occasion and underlined the importance of early intervention in vision care.

The four days event was organized in partnership with SINDA, BridgeAble, NPS International School, Singapore Polytechnic and Essilor.

In Singapore, 8 in 10 people are shortsighted by the age of 18. The campaign aimed to equip those in need of vision correction, with lenses provided by the EVF. The significant logistics organization was supported by 15 diploma students from the Singapore Polytechnic Optometry Center plus advice from Essilor volunteers, to help families understand the importance of good vision so students can see well and achieve their potential at school. As such, many young people received glasses for the first time during the event.

It was an opportunity for Singapore Polytechnic optometry students to use their expertise to serve the community and for Essilor to create new partnerships with organizations like SINDA.

EVF Singapore aims to bring better life through better sight and ensure visual correction for those in need who do not yet have access to suitable eye care.

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