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Chief Minister's Storke Program

Stroke is one of the leading causes of death and permanent disability in Pakistan. According to medical experts, the first few hours after the onset of a stroke are critical for saving lives and preventing long-term disability. Keeping this urgent need in view, the Government of Punjab launched the **Chief Minister's Stroke Program in May 2026**. The program aims to provide timely, quality, and life-saving treatment to stroke patients free of cost, reducing the risk of death and permanent disability.

Under the program, an integrated network of specialized **Stroke Centers** has been established across Punjab, providing immediate medical care through trained neurologists, neurosurgeons, **free TNK injections**, and modern medical facilities. Stroke patients from **any province or region of Pakistan** can benefit from the Chief Minister's Stroke Program.

So far, **40 Primary Stroke Centers** have become operational across Punjab, covering districts including Lahore, Kasur, Sheikhupura, Gujranwala, Sialkot, Narowal, Gujrat, Mandi Bahauddin, Jhelum, Faisalabad, Toba Tek Singh, Jhang, Sargodha, Sahiwal, Khanewal, Multan, Vehari, Bhakkar, Layyah, Bahawalpur, Rahim Yar Khan, Dera Ghazi Khan, and Rawalpindi. The Government of Punjab has set a target to activate additional Stroke Centers by **December 2026**, after which stroke patients will have access to timely treatment facilities in all major districts of Punjab.

In addition to Primary Stroke Centers, **Comprehensive Stroke Centers** are also being established to manage complex cases. A dedicated **"Stroke Bay"** has been established at each center to ensure that stroke patients receive immediate assessment and treatment upon arrival at the hospital.

Under the program, patients are provided with the **TNK injection**, a clot-dissolving medicine worth approximately **PKR 300,000**, completely free of cost. Its timely administration can play a crucial role in preventing permanent disability. More than **PKR 3 billion has been allocated annually** for this vital public health initiative.

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