

Tribute to Legends of Cardiac Surgery

Life sketch of Prof. Emeritus M. Nabi Alam Khan

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Professor Emeritus M. Nabi Alam Khan was born on 1st May, 1939. His father's name was Noor Khan. He was graduated from Rajshahi Medical College in 1964. Later he worked there up to March, 1967. From 1964 to 1973, he had his post graduate training in general surgery and worked as registrar of surgery in Dhaka Medical College Hospital. He achieved his FCPS from Pakistan College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1971. From 1973 to 1980 he worked as Cardio-Thoracic Surgical Registrar at the University, Department of Cardio-Thoracic surgery, Glasgow Royal Infirmary, York Hill Sick Children Hospital, Mearns Kirk Hospital and Mairmres Hospital Glasgow, Scotland, UK. Later on he had training in the field of cardiovascular and thoracic surgery in UK, Japan and USA.

Dr. Nabi Alam joined as Associate Professor of, Cardiovascular Surgery in National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases, Dhaka in 1980. At the same time he also worked as Associate Professor of Thoracic Surgery, Institute of Diseases of Chest and Hospital, Dhaka. Later he joined as Professor and head of the department of Cardiovascular Surgery of NICVD and also worked as Professor Thoracic Surgery (Hon.) in Institute of Chest Diseases and Hospital. Prof. Nabi Alam Khan also worked as Honorary Chief Consultant of Cardiac Surgery in Bangladesh Heart Foundation Hospital and Honorary Professor of Paediatric Surgery in Bangladesh Institute of Child Health (Shishu Hospital). He also worked as a visiting Professor in University of Copenhagen.

Prof. Nabi Alam did the first open heart surgery of the country in 18th of September, 1981 along with Prof. Sirajur Rahman Khan. He had done

more than one thousand open heart surgery (both congenital and acquired), more than five thousand close heart surgery, more than one thousand permanent pacemaker implantation and more than one thousand vascular surgery. He is also the pioneer thoracic surgeon of Bangladesh and has done more than fifteen thousand thoracic surgery including 1764 major operation, 6558 minor operations, 3157 emergency operations and 3985 endoscopic procedures.

Prof. Nabi Alam was the member of a number international and national prestigious societies including- Society of Surgeons in Bangladesh, overseas member of Society of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, Asian Cardiovascular and Thoracic Society of Surgeons, Indian Association of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons, American College of Surgeons and Pakistan Society of Cardiovascular Surgeons.

In 1996 Prof. M Nabi Alam Khan was honoured as Professor Emeritus. In 1991 he won the competitive "Asir Memorial Gold Medal". Prof. Nabi Alam attended different international and national conferences as a faculty and presented his scientific papers. He has got more than forty publications in different fields and cardiovascular surgery and thoracic surgery.

Prof. M. Nabi Alam Khan breathed his last in 27th September, 2006.

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