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Beating Heart Surgery performed

Private sector enters new era in coronary health care

By Staff Correspondent

Cardiac Care and Research centre told a press conference of their successful venture Tuesday.

"This technology which has multiple benefit was only recently introduced in the West. We are not far behind," Dr Murali told the journalists while showing a video clipping of Beating Heart Surgery being done on an old man.

Explaining the procedure, Dr Murali from India who is on a mission here to help introduce the technology here in Bangladesh said, "Usually open heart surgery involves arresting the heart so that surgery can be done without any interruption. The blood circulation in the body is continued by use of heart-lung and oxygenator machines."

He said, "Normally it is very difficult to work on the heart when the heart is beating, i.e. while it is in motion (pumping). Beating Heart Surgery allows surgeons to work on the heart while it is still in motion."

Dr Ajit Kumar, chief cardiologist of the centre said, "The most important thing about Beating Heart Surgery is that the heart itself gets continuous supply of blood while surgery is

on. The technique, that requires special drugs to slow down the heartbeats, avoids other complications that may arise during the operation."

The technique is appropriate on old age patients having multigorgan function problems.

"The technique was developed considering the possible risk of side-effects of arresting heart beats during open heart surgery on old age patients," Dr Kumar explained.

Mozaharuddin, 70 was the first patient to undergo the Beating Heart Surgery at the centre on Sunday. His condition is said to be stable.

Since last February Z H Sikder Cardiac Care & Research Centre has been carrying out open heart surgery which are conducted by a 60-member team from India that specialises in heart.

The 60-bed centre has some of the most modern facilities required for cardiac care including a coronary invasive care unit. Specially trained nurses and doctors from South India manage all necessary care for the patients. The specialised team of doctors also regularly takes academic sessions.

GCO holds rally on DU campus

By DU Correspondent

Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO), a conglomeration of some left leaning student organisations yesterday brought out a procession on the Dhaka University campus, demanding immediate arrest of those who made an attack on the fifth council of Bangladesh Chhatra Moity (BCM) Tala thana unit in Sathkhira on Wednesday.

The members of the delegation apprised the President, who is also the chancellor of the university, of the preparations for holding the first convocation of the institution, likely to be opened by the president.

Other members of the delegation were: Prof Dr Md Abdul Wazed, Prof Mahmuda Khanam, Col Md Shafiqul Islam, Br Protik, and Dr K M A Aziz.

Condemning the attack, they also demanded exemplary punishment of those attackers.

Among others, Hasan Tariq Chowdhury Sohel of Bangladesh Chhatra Union, Dipaner Saha Dipu of BCM, Nurul Islam of Samajtantrik Chhatra Front and Mohsin Sarker of Chhatra Samity addressed the rally.

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Dated: 28 Ashar 1406/12 July 1999

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3. Tender opening date and time will be mentioned in the tender schedule. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any part of or all of the tenders without showing any reason thereof.

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Strengthening Parliamentary Democracy
(BGD/97/003)

The Bangladesh Parliament Secretariat seeks applications from Bangladeshi nationals for the following position:

CONSULTANT FOR THE ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

Duration : 12 months
Duty Station : The Jatiyo Sangsads Bhaban,
Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka

Duties and Responsibilities:

The Consultant will support the project in all aspects related to the strengthening of the functioning of the Estimates Committee of the Parliament. Specific tasks will include the following:

1. Initiate research related to the functioning of the EC over the past 25 years, as a basis for providing advise and making recommendations;
2. Elaborate a research paper on budgetary procedures in the committees of significant foreign Parliaments (selection of case studies to be agreed upon in conjunction with IPE);
3. Provide advise, as necessary in the following areas:
 - Suggesting ways and means for the EC to improve the effectiveness of resource allocations;
 - Identifying weaknesses of information flows to the Committee and devising mechanisms for improvements in this area;
 - Suggesting to the Committee new areas of work which will contribute to transparency and accountability in resource allocations;
 - Providing expert assistance for scrutiny of the budget before it is passed by the Parliament, as a means of providing a higher degree of Parliamentary control of public fund allocations;
4. Oversee the computerisation of committee functions and the implementation of the Management Information System (MIS) for the Committees;
5. Undertake any other work as assigned by the project or the EC itself.

Key Qualifications:

The incumbents should have an advanced degree, preferably a PhD, in Economics. S/he should have proven experience in budgets and budgetary control mechanisms, institutional development, and particularly direct experience in government budget systems. S/he should have good knowledge of the workings of the Parliament in Bangladesh and should be proficient in both written and spoken English.

Applications should include a cover letter and a copy of applicant's curriculum vitae. No copies of references, certificates or professional papers should be submitted at this time. Applications should be marked "Confidential" and sent to the Advertiser, (Ref.: BGD/97/003 - Strengthening Parliamentary Democracy Project), C/o UNDP, G.P.O. Box No. 224, Dhaka 1000 no later than 1 August 1999. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

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TRAINING CONSULTANT

Duration : 12 months
Duty Station : The Jatiyo Sangsads Bhaban,
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Duties and Responsibilities:

The Training Consultant will be responsible for the planning and development of the training activities of the Institute of Parliamentary Studies (IPS). The training will be targeted at both MPs and Parliament Secretariat Officers and Staff. The Training Consultant will, *inter alia*:

- Undertake a detailed study of the training needs of the MPs and Parliament Secretariat Officers and Staff. The findings will be presented in a report which should include specific and realistic recommendations for meeting the training needs;
- On the basis of the needs assessment, the consultant will prepare a Development Plan for the training activities and courses of the Institute of Parliamentary Studies, working in close conjunction with the Institutional Development Specialist. The plan should detail:
 - the contents and structure of proposed training modules;
 - the targeted trainees and the schedule of proposed courses;
 - the training modalities;
 - the staffing requirements for conducting the training;
 - the estimated cost of the activities.
- Plan, organise and conduct, with the assistance of external expertise, a series of training seminars for MPs;
- Develop and produce a series of audio-visual training aids for MPs, Secretariat Staff and for public education;
- Plan and organise a series of staff overseas attachments focused of specific areas of need;
- Plan and organise a limited series of study tours.

Key Qualifications:

The incumbents should have a masters degree or equivalent and proven experience in assessing, planning, developing and conducting training activities. Prior work within the public administration and/or a government policy-making body is a necessity as well as a good knowledge of the workings of the Parliament in Bangladesh. A further pre-requisite is demonstrated skills in the production of training documentation, as well as fluency in English. Previous experience in the production of audio-visual training materials would be a distinct advantage.

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