BANGLADESH COUNTRY REPORT

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Preface

- Bangladesh Medical Association transformed from Pakistan Medical association East Zone on 1971. Its a very active service oriented organization. There are 67 branches of association round the county and approximately 36,000 members with the association. BMA central executive committee and Central Council always sworn on through direct vote by all its member in the country for a tenure of two year’s. Present Central Executive Committee headed by Dr. Mustafa Jalal Mohiuddin.
Structure

- General Assembly
- Central Council
- Central Executive Committee
• General assembly consisted its all valid members and call its meeting every year.
• Central Council consisted through direct vote by its all valid member. President and General Secretary of all branches are also a member of Central Council as officio.
Issue wise 27 sub committee work various issues of health professions.
Main motto of the organization is to take care of the dignity of its members, encourage member for exposure to latest health innovation through CME ensure security of the working place and to guide Government to ensure health policy for the people round the country.
Publications:

Bangladesh Medical Journal is an official organ of BMA. BM Journal is a most famous medical journal in medical professionals and students. Its editorial body consisted by renowned professors and teachers. 3 no of issue published in a year and its regularly. We also published News Letter, Poster, Leaflet regarding various issues of health sector.
CME Activities:

- Seminar symposium and continuing medical education sub-committee organized various seminar symposium and scientific seminar round the year.
Seminar on SDG’s

Beginning of the year 2019 BMA organized a seminar on “Sustainable Development Goals: Health Sector in Bangladesh.” Health Minister and State Minister of Health were present the seminar.
Scientific Seminar on Dengue

Dengue Viral Infection & Dengue Hemorrhage Fever is a burning issue in Bangladesh and some other countries in the world. In present year about 60,000 people are affected buy Dengue among the Bangladeshi people. So far around 60,000 peoples are affected by recent Dengue fever in Bangladesh unfortunately of which more than 50 patient died.
BMA organized many program for Prevention, Control and Treatment of Dengue infection in country.

BMA CME sub committee organized several CME program on “Recent Dengue update, treatment, control and prevention of dengue infection and its complication” prevention cure doctors, nurses and others health professionals.
Scientific Seminar on “Expansion of Dengue Fever at Shaheed Suhrawardhi Medical College, Dhaka. Renowned Professor of Medicine Dr. ABM Abdullah delivered his article and answer to the questioners.
BMA organized social awareness program by distribution of leaflet among the general people to prevent and control of Dengue Virus.
BMA organized a scientific seminar on “Dengue Virus: Way of Treatment, Prevention and Control” at Mugda Medical College.

Honorable Health Minister was chief guest on the seminar.
We used to observe all the National days like Independence Day, Victory day, Mothers language day, etc.
International Participation:

- We have participated 33rd CMAAO General Assembly and 54th Council Meeting in Malaysia.
- **Health Professional Meeting (H20) 2019 – The Road to Universal Health Coverage, In Tokyo, Japan**
- We are active with IPPNW and attended its international conference in various part of the world.
Social Responsibilities:

- As social responsibilities we are engaged in Free Friday Clinic where poor, distressed and helpless people are getting free Medical services with drugs.
We are working hard with the forcibly shifted Myanmar people.

A view all know that about two million of Rohingya people are now staying as refugee in our country who were forcibly displaced from their country. We are conducting immunization service for the children, taking care of the pregnant women for save delivery, treating patient who are otherwise ill. Our doctor and health workforce team working parallel with the Government. We are ready to serve them with our utmost capacity till their stay in Bangladesh.
We engage ourselves in all national calamities like flood, cyclone and earthquake. Recently we distribute Relief, Medicine and gave a primary health care services in remote area. We render health care services free for the Pilgrims (Hajji) every year in the Pilgrim Camp.
Organizational Activities:

- We keep our organization interactive through Executive Committee, Central Council meeting regularly and discussion with all the members of its organization holding various activities and academic session in the different level of health facilities.
National Conference.

- Last October 2018 BMA organized a national Conference in Dhaka.
- Honorable Prime Minister, Government of the Peoples Republic of Bangladesh Sheikh Hasina MP was chief guest.
- CMAAO President DR RAVINDRAN R. NAIDU was attend as a guest of honor.
- Secretary General of WMA gave a message to doctors of Bangladesh.
Safety of Health workers:

- Assault of health workers and vandalism of health facilities by miscreants is a global issue. We are facing badly it from last few years. In this regards BMA raise their voice for formulation of a law punishing those miscreants and to create a congenial atmosphere in working place. We contact our Government, Law Enforcement Agencies, Journalists and other professionals to resolve it. Hopefully it will come down as Government is keen and in a process of making a law.
Our Commitment:

- Our Commitment to create a congenial atmosphere in working place for doctors and health professionals and ensure quality health service to the people for healthy nation under the leadership of Government of the country and good cooperation by BMA.
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