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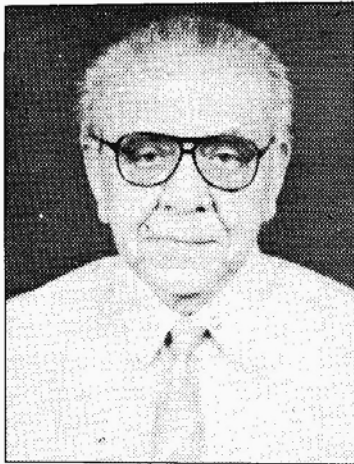


Prof. K. A. Mansur

Renowned Bangladeshi Scientist Passes Away

Professor Kazi Abul Monsur, a microbiologist of international repute, passed away on the 20th February 1996 at Suhrawardy Hospital of a heart attack. A brilliant scientist, Professor Monsur was a gold medalist from Calcutta Medical College, and was later awarded the "Pride of Performance" by the President of Pakistan. The world's best known culture media for cholera "Monsur's Media" which he developed (1961), was named after him.

He was the founder director of the Institute of Public Health and the founder of the School of Tropical Medicine. He initiated the first intra-venous fluid plant in Bangladesh. Professor Monsur started his teaching career in Dhaka Medical College where he was professor of Bacteriology and Pathology, which was followed by many years of international work. During this period, he was visiting professor of Microbiology at Nairobi University, and the regional consultant for WHO for Asia and the Soviet Union. He retired from government service as Director of Health Services. Dr Monsur has left behind his wife, Dr Anwara Monsur a well known educationist, who is the founder and principal of Agrani Balika Bidyalaya, daughter Dr Najma Karim, son Dr Shahidul Alam, grandchildren, and many well wishers.



Dr. (Major) A. Q. B. Rahman

Dr. A. Q. Badiur Rahman, a noted physician of the country died of massive cardiac failure at his Dhanmondi residence Wednesday - The 28th Feb. 1996. He was 73.

His namaj-e-janaja was held at Baitul Mukarram Mosque on Friday after Jumma prayer.

Late Badiur Rahman left behind his widow, three sons, two of whom are living in UK and one in USA and a daughter Sameena Siddiqui who is an Assistant Editor of The Morning Sun and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his death.

He was the National Co-ordinator of Polio Plus Committee of Rotary International District 3280.



Dr. MH Khan Dead

Dr. Momtazul Haque Khan, one of the veteran specialists on tuberculosis of the country and a former Regional Director of World Health Organisation (WHO) died in Dhaka Friday 8th March 1996 noon following a stroke. He was 77.

A heart patient for long, Dr. Khan who was popularly known as Dr. M.H. Khan fell in the bathroom while getting prepared for Juma prayer, family sources said. Doctor pronounced him dead when taken to a hospital.

Eighth son of the late Yar Khan Pathan of village Mandari of Lakhshampur district, Dr. Khan graduated from Calcutta Medical College in 1948. He joined Tuberculosis Control Centre, Dhaka in the late forties and went to England on a WHO fellowship in early fifties for higher studies.

Dr. Khan, who was the first Pakistani national to become an Adviser of WHO, served in several African countries including Egypt, Nigeria and Sudan in different capacities. He became WHO Regional Director and was posted in Mauritius.

He is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters and a host of relations and admirers to mourn his death.