

Govt. to consider registration issue of dentists

A.Q.M. Badruddoza Chowdhury, Minister for Health and Population Control on Sunday said that the Government will give sympathetic considerations in solving the registration issue of the practising dentists without having any degree or diploma in dentistry says BSS.

Addressing the members of Bangladesh Dental Association at an Iftar reception the Health Minister asked them to cite specific examples from the neighbouring countries where registrations were given in such cases. He also asked them to find out definite procedures in solving the issue.

He said that the Government was trying to use all sorts of treatment facilities available in the country and urged the dentists to cooperate with the Government in materialising its programmes.

Mr. Mohammad Abdul Quader General Secretary of the Association in his address presented two international procedures in solving the registration issue of the dentists.

First to register all the members of Bangladesh Dental Association having valid degrees diplomas and certificates but not recognised by the Bangladesh Medical Council.

Secondly, to form a dental board for registration of the dentists and suggested formation of a committee which will consider registration of those dentists who have established clinics and practical experience at least for five years.

Dr. A. Hasan a member of the Executive Committee of the Association in his speech said that in Bangladesh there are 300 unregistered dentists practising in the different parts of the country. There are only 100 registered dentists and one third of them went abroad for higher studies and did not return.

In his presidential speech Dr. K.N. Islam, Member of the Presidium of Bangladesh Dental Association urged the Government to give registration to the members of the Association and stop creation of 'quacks' by enforcing laws.