

Ophthalmology Institute opens

The Institute of Ophthalmology of Bangladesh was inaugurated on Saturday at the Shahed Suhrawardy Hospital complex by Health and Population Control Minister Prof. M.A. Mazin with a call for carrying out researches in diseases common in Bangladesh and other developing countries. Reports BSS

The institute began at the complex with 30-bed facility initially and would have 120-bed facility from April with the construction of a new building within the complex. The Health Minister also laid the foundation stone of the new building at the Shahed Suhrawardy Hospital complex premises at a simple function on Saturday.

Prof. Mazin said that many people in the developing countries have been facing untimely blindness whereas it was possible to save the sight of hundreds of thousands of people if timely treatment was provided. The Minister stressed that the trainees must be trained in Dacca in such a manner that they were exposed to realistic (Continued on page 10 Col. 2)

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Speaking in the function, Dr. Fazlul Karim, Minister of State for Health and Population Control, said that the establishment of the institute was a very significant step in the field of treatment of eye diseases in the country. He also called for taking initiative for more researches in the field of ophthalmology.

Presided over by Prof. Mazin, Project Director of the complex, the function was addressed, among others, by Prof. Mobarak Ali, Prof. cum Director of the Institute.

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