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# Construction of National Institute Hospital begins

Work of a seven storied building of the Dacca National Medical Institute Hospital was inaugurated at its premises on Friday by Dr. Mohammad Ibrahim Presidential Adviser in-charge of Health and Population Control reports BSS.

Construction cost of the building is estimated to be Taka one crore and 50 lakh. When completed the hospital will have a capacity of 280 beds. At present it has only 80 beds and an Outdoor Department.

Established in 1925 at Johnson Road (adjacent to Victoria Park) the half century old hospital has been serving the suffering and ailing humanity

with the contributions of the Government people and different humanitarian voluntary and social welfare organisations.

Speaking on the occasion the Adviser said health is a productive sector and no nation can develop without giving proper attention to health care and spread of health knowledge to the people. In this context he said we must take proper prenatal care of mothers and post-natal care of the children and build them up with proper nutrition and education to fill up the intellectual gap.

Presided over by Mohammad Sirajul Islam President Dacca National Medical Institute Hospital Management Committee the function was addressed by Dr. A.K. Nurul Islam Secretary of the committee.

A milad mahfil was also held on the occasion.