International Day of Medical Physics (IDMP)-2018: Celebrated by Bangladesh Medical Physics Society (BMPS)

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The Bangladesh Medical Physics Society (BMPS) was founded in 2009 in Dhaka, Bangladesh to serve the purposes of medical physicists in Bangladesh. The purpose of this society is to foster and coordinate the activities of country medical physicists, promote scientific activities and to build a relationship with the national and international organizations. Currently, BMPS have about 250 national and international members who are working actively to improve the medical physics situation globally.

To move up the awareness of medical physics profession, International Day of Medical Physics (IDMP) is the initiative of the international organization of medical physics (IOMP) which take place on 7 November every year. On that day, Marie Skłodowska Curie was born who conducted pioneering research on radioactivity and her contribution is promoting us to fight against cancer today. Every year IOMP chooses different and logical themes to encourage medical physicists throughout the world. The theme of IDMP 2018 is 'Medical Physics for Patient Benefit'.

BMPS has done several activities including meeting, seminar, events, and campaign over the years. On this auspicious day, BMPS published their official e-newsletter every year. This year we published the issue number 6 of this newsletter, in the named 'Voice of BMPS'. The newsletter comprises articles, continuous professional developments, news & events, and awards & honor. All the activities throughout the year were focused on this article.
On 7 November 2018, we have arranged a seminar and rally in the department of radiotherapy, Dhaka medical college hospital which is the oldest and prestigious medical college in Bangladesh. At 12:00 pm a rally was held by participating the BMPS members, medical doctors and students from the universities. The main objective of the rally was to concern the general people about the medical physicist as it is the new concept in our country.
Photo 02: IDMP celebration on 7 November 2018

After the rally, a seminar was arranged in the department of radiotherapy seminar room with the presence of doctors, oncologists, medical physicists, and students. The keynote speaker of this seminar was Prof. Dr. Quazi Mushtaq Hossain, Head, Department of radiotherapy, Dhaka medical college hospital. In his speech, he pointed out the role, responsibilities, and importance of medical physicists in cancer treatment. He expresses his desire to work with BMPS and encourage us to work more for the cancer patients. Among the other speakers, Mr. Anwarul Islam, president; Mr. Abu Kausar, Secretary and Mr. Safayet Zaman, vice president of BMPS were delivered their speeches.

Photo 03: IDMP Seminar

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