

Obituary

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Sujoy B. Roy

Dr. Sujoy B. Roy, an eminent cardiologist, died on 25 March, 1976, in New Delhi after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife.

Born in Burma, Dr. Roy, after a brilliant academic career at Rangoon University, completed his postgraduate studies at Edinburgh and Boston. While he was on the faculty of Harvard University, the late Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, then Health Minister of India, asked him to come to India to head the newly created Department of Cardiology at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

Apart from training a number of students in cardiology, Dr. Roy made a significant contribution towards the understanding of rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease in India. His work on high-altitude cardiorespiratory problems, which helped in the maintenance of troops in the Hima-

layas, has been widely acclaimed. He was a senior fellow of the Armed Forces Medical Research Council and a member of the Cardiovascular Expert Committee of the World Health Organisation.

He published over 150 scientific papers in national and international journals.

Dr. Roy was the recipient of numerous national and international awards. To mention a few, the Amir Chand Basanti Award, the Massachusetts Heart Fellowship, and the FICCI Award, 1976, for contributions to life sciences, including agriculture. He was awarded the Padmabhushan, one of the highest awards, by the President of India.

He will be missed by his numerous colleagues in this country and abroad and by the large number of students he trained in cardiology.

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