



OBITUARY

Dr. Ajit Chamanlal Mehta

(06.03.1930 — 06.06.2020)

Ajit C. Mehta was born to Dr. Chamanlal Mehta and Kusum Mehta, in Mumbai on 06.03.1930.

He was an alumni of the Seth G. S. Medical College and KEM Hospital, Mumbai and did his post-graduate training at KEM Hospital, Nowrosjee Wadia Maternity Hospital (NWMH), and Tata Memorial Hospital. He later joined NWMH as a Consultant. Later on he became the Dean of this prestigious institution. He considered NWMH as “The Temple of Learning” throughout his term of 39 years (1961 – 1999).

Indian Society of Perinatology and Reproductive Biology (ISOPARB) was established by Prof. (Dr.) Tarun Banerjee of Calcutta. Dr. Ajit Mehta joined ISOPARB when the organization was young. He took keen interest in the organization of ISOPARB. He soon became the President of the organization. He initiated in organizing many ISOPARB Conferences. Once he was so deeply involved with ISOPARB that he was ready to donate some space at his own hospital for this organization to have its office.

Dr. Ajit Mehta was actively involved with National Neonatology Forum (NNF). For years there were joint annual meetings of ISOPARB – NNF.

Dr. Ajit Mehta was much respected in his field. His special interests were preventive Obstetrics, Gynecology and Perinatology. He was also the President of the Mumbai Obstetrics and Gynecological Society and was actively involved with FOGSI where he reached the position of Secretary General.

He was a teacher par excellence and won the hearts of all the residents who worked under him.

As a Dean of Nowrosjee Wadia Maternity Hospital he introduced many reforms in the interest of the Residents and patients. Dr. Mehta had a keen interest in research and after retiring as dean he was appointed as director of the research wing of NWMH. He initiated the computerized records of all patients delivering at NWMH. He designed a software for analyzing the data of the patients for benefits of the residents.

He was the recipient of several prestigious awards and orations by National and International organizations.

In personal life he was very simple, humble and a true gentleman. He was fond of reading and writing. He has published two books of his poems titled “Unfolding Life” and wrote a book on the story of NWMH as known and understood by him. He was an ardent “Bridge” player, and almost every weekend with his wife Rasilaben spent time at their farm in which nature abounds and peace prevails.

Dr. Ajit Mehta breathed his last at his residence on 06.06.20 after a brief illness.

He is survived by his wife Rasilaben, two daughters and a son.

May his soul rest in peace.