

Obituary

Many people do not remember the events of the early years of life. But most of us remember our school life in childhood. Though the undergraduate and postgraduate education is quite stressful to most young people, many of us also enjoy the company of friends of this period. After the completion of study, finding a suitable job and life partner keeps one busy for quite some time.

Ultimately most people get married and become successful in getting a job. During this period, family responsibility makes most people work hard and they have no time to think about their own life.

Even after living an average Nepalese life expectancy none of us think that the great moment of leaving everything from this world is going to come next minute. Such a thing has happened in the morning of 4th January, 2005 to one of our dearest friend Dr. P. R. Satyal.

Dr. P. R. Satyal is no more with us now. He suddenly passed away at the age of 66 years.

I met Puskar at Edgware General Hospital in England in the year 1969. Both of us were preparing for MRCP (UK) examination at that time. Prof. Madan Prasad Upadhyaya was working at Edgware General Hospital during that period and was our common friend.

After passing MRCP (UK) examination, Dr. P. R. Satyal returned to Nepal and established the Department of Nephrology in Bir Hospital. Dr. Puskar has also been awarded fellowship by the Royal College of Physician of Edinburgh. He contributed a great deal to the post graduate medical education of our country.

At one meeting conducted by Postgraduate Medical Education Coordination Committee, Bir Hospital, I had the opportunity to introduce him as the father of Nephrology. Most of our friends in the audience appreciated this designation to Puskar with great applause.

Puskar was not only a very popular physician but also a kind person. He became the Head of the Department of Medicine and Chief of Nephrology Service of Bir Hospital. He became the president of the Society of Internal Medicine of Nepal (SIMON) and also supervised as a preceptor of MD, medicine for a number of years. He was also visiting Professor of Medicine of NAMS.

Puskar will be remembered by his patients and friends for a long time to come. He is survived by two sons and one daughter.

“GREAT PEOPLE NEVER DIE. THEIR NAMES REMIND THEIR GREATNESS
FOREVER”

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