

9th Biennial Convention



October 29, 2023 AGRA PALACE 116-33 Queens Blvd.Queens, NY 11375

SYLHET OSMANI MEDICAL COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, NORTH AMERICA SOMCAANA



Sylhet Osmani Medical College Alumni Association, NA Pays Tribute to Our Fallen Heroes during COVID-19 pandemics

> Dr. Muhammad Iftekharuddin (NY) Dr. Ali ASA Mamun (NY) Dr. Taslim U Ahmed (NC)

You Are Not Forgotten

SOMC-AA, NA equally mourns and extends deepest sympathy to the family members of our other deceased alumnae. Our prayers are always with them.



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SOMCANNA President's Message

Dear Alumni, Assalamu Alaikum.

It gives me immense pleasure to welcome you to the 9th Biennial Convention of the Sylhet Medical College Alumni Association of North America (SOMCAA, NA). This event is a significant milestone in our journey, and I am honored to stand before you as the acting president of this esteemed organization.

Our alma mater has a long and illustrious history of producing exceptional medical professionals who have made a significant impact on healthcare worldwide. The Sylhet Medical College Alumni Association of North America has played a pivotal role in connecting our diverse and accomplished community, fostering collaboration, and contributing to the betterment of medical education and healthcare.

As an organization we uphold the values of our institution to stand by the side of the less fortunate in

times of crisis like Covid 19, flood in Bangladesh and unforeseen financial crisis of students and alumni

with our support and aspiration to help them to pull through. Hope they will do the same when their turn comes. This convention serves as a platform for us to celebrate our shared heritage, reconnect with old friends, and forge new bonds. It's a time to reflect on our collective achievements and renew our commitment to the values instilled in us during our time at Sylhet Medical College.

As we gather on this unique platform, let's celebrate and thank almighty Allah to accomplish our goal

and chart a course for our association's future endeavors. As we planned to set up an anatomy lab and

scholarship fund for advancement of career we encourage others to join for the noble cause. Our

collective dedication for advancing medical education and healthcare will continue to try and encourage

others to do the same

I would like to extend my gratitude to the convention organizing committee, the dedicated volunteers, and everyone who has worked tirelessly to make this event a reality. Your commitment is truly commendable.

Let us make this 9th Biennial Convention a memorable and impactful experience. I am confident that by the time it concludes, we will have not only strengthened our bonds but also gained new knowledge and perspectives that will shape the future of healthcare.

Warm regards,

Dr. Ruqaiya Choudhury

Acting President, Sylhet Osmani Medical College Alumni Association, NA





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Greetings to Our Esteemed Sylhet Osmani Medical College Alumni Association Meeting

Dear Alumni, Esteemed Guests, and Honored Participants,

It is with immense pleasure and pride that I address you all on this unique occasion – our Sylhet Osmani Medical College Alumni Association of North America's 9th Biennial Convention in New York. This event represents the heart and soul of our shared journey.

Our alma mater has produced exceptional medical professionals, and this convention is a testament to the strength of our community. It's a time for celebration, connection, and learning.

Under the theme "Advancing Healthcare Together," we'll explore the challenges and opportunities in modern medicine. Let's engage in enlightening discussions, honor outstanding alumni, and forge new bonds.

I urge you to participate actively and share your expertise. Together, we can make a significant impact in the ever-evolving field of healthcare.

I appreciate the hard work of the organizing committee and your dedication to making this event a success.

Let's make this convention memorable and transformative. I look forward to seeing you all.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Shishir Chakraborty Principal, Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Sylhet, Bangladesh





Message from BMA General Secretary

Dear Friends,

I am delighted to extend my warmest greetings to all of you on the occasion of the 9th Biennial Convention of Sylhet Osmani Medical Association of North America in the vibrant city of New York. This event is not only a testament to our unity and dedication but also an opportunity to celebrate the remarkable progress and contributions we've made as a medical community.

Conventions like these provide a platform for us to come together, share our experiences, and learn from each other. It's a time to renew old friendships, forge new connections, and collectively envision the future of our association.

As the General Secretary of the Bangladesh Medical Association, I'm proud of the achievements and contributions of our members in North America. Your dedication to the medical profession and your commitment to serving communities, near and far, is truly commendable.

I encourage you all to actively participate in the discussions, and activities during this convention. It is through these interactions that we can continue to advance our collective mission of promoting healthcare excellence and supporting one another.

I extend my gratitude to the organizing committee for their tireless efforts in making this event a reality. Your hard work and dedication do not go unnoticed. May this convention be a source of inspiration and knowledge exchange, and may it strengthen the bonds of friendship and professional collaboration within our association.

Wishing you a successful and fulfilling convention.

Warm regards,

Dr. Md. Ehteshamul Huq Choudhury SOMC Batch 14, Class of 1982 Secretary General, Bangladesh Medical Association (BMA)





Message from the Convener of the 9th Biennial Convention

Dear Esteemed Attendees,

I am deeply honored to welcome you to the 9th Biennial Convention of the Sylhet Medical College Alumni Association of North America. This convention is a testament to the collective strength and spirit of our remarkable alumni community.

It is a privilege to serve as the convener for this event, and I am thrilled to witness the coming together of our diverse and accomplished group. This convention is an opportunity for us to celebrate our shared heritage, foster connections, and encourage career advancement in healthcare.

Our theme, "Advancing Healthcare Together," reflects our commitment to progress and collaboration. During this event, we will engage in enlightening discussions, honor the outstanding contributions of our alumni, and lay the foundation for a brighter future in healthcare here and abroad.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the dedicated individuals who have contributed their time and efforts to make this convention a success. Your commitment is truly commendable.

Let us make this event an enriching and memorable experience, one that strengthens our bonds, shares knowledge, and inspires us to continue making a positive impact on healthcare.

Welcome to the 9th Biennial Convention, and I look forward to the fruitful interactions and experiences that lie ahead.

Warm regards,

Muhammad Saaduz-zaman Choudhury, MD, FACS SOMC, Batch 5 (Class of 1972) Convener, 9th Biennial Convention Sylhet Medical College Alumni Association of North America





Advancing Healthcare Together

Sunday October 29, 2023

Registration and Appetizers 5:30 pm

Prayer Break 6:00 pm

Welcome Speech 6:15 pm

Business Meeting, Election Commission Report and Introduction of New Executive Committee (2024-2025 terms) 6:30 pm

Gala Dinner Followed by Entertainment and Cultural Programs 7 pm

Report of past two years SOMCANNA Activates

SOMCIAAN activities:

- Helped flood victims in Sylhet with field assistance of HOPE foundation.
- Provided financial assistance to our new immigrant SOMCANIAANs to pursue their dream as a physician here in USA.
- Established a trust fund for the benefit of our SOMC students in collaboration with SOMC principal.
- Established an Anatomy lab in SOMC.
- Our SOMCAANA members are very actively and closely work with YCAP of BMANA NY chapter to help young physicians to get to residency.
- Enjoyed picnic and celebrated 60th Anniversary of SOMC in Hudson River cruise.
- Organized Atlantic cruise as well CME, get together and cultural show.



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Photo Gallery of Cruise and Picnic





Photo Gallery of 7th Convention in Baltimore





Photo Gallery of Get together in Bedford , NY





Photo Gallery of Get together in Newburgh, NY



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SOMCAANA: Our Pride and Legacy

Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College (SOMC) is a prestigious medical institution located in Sylhet, Bangladesh. Named after General Muhammad Ataul Gani Osmani, the Commander-in-Chief of the Bangladesh Liberation Forces during the Liberation War of 1971, the college has a significant historical and academic legacy.

Foundation and Inception: Modern medicine was introduced to the community by the establishment of an institutional hospital in the heart of the city in 1936 which was later upgraded to cater the British and allied troops of Burma front in World War II. In the year 1948, the hospital was further upgraded and extended to convert it into a medical school with appropriate teaching staff and residential accommodations in order to produce Licentiate of Medical Faculty (LMF) doctors. Originally named as Sylhet Medical College, was established on September 7, 1962. In 1986, the college was renamed as Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College as a tribute to General Muhammad Ataul Gani Osmani.

Academic Excellence: SOMC has made steady progress in medical education and research since its inception. Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College has been involved in research activities and community outreach programs aimed at improving healthcare and addressing medical issues in the region. Students

and faculty members engage in research projects and initiatives to advance medical knowledge and practices. In 1993 SOMC was recognized by the General Medical council of U.K. for unlimited period. Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Alumni Association, N.A. (SOMCAANA), was formed on October 18, 2003 as the first alumni association of SOMC graduates overseas.

In addition to further the interests of its members and enhance the image of the medical school, we strive to promote the quality of medical education and support the needs of SOMC medical students with appropriate programs and build closer relations between the alumni, the students, the faculty, and the administration of the medical school. Over the years SOMCAANA became a most prolific and cohesive alumni association in North America organized by professional school graduates of Bangladesh.













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