

AMRITSAR MEDICAL AND DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA (AMDAANA)

AMDAANA AMRITSAR PROJECT

Major Objective: Enhancing Education and Patient Care at GMCA

TASKS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH DECEMBER 2007

1. Established AMDAANA Office in Amritsar:
 - a. Objective - To provide quick and effective communication and a link between AMDAANA, AMCAA and GMCA faculty
 - b. How – A part time employee, computer, printer-cum- scanner with computer desk and chair and internet connection. We envision that AMDAANA Office will soon move to the GMCA and become Office of Alumni Affairs.
2. Annual CME Meeting :
 - a. Objective: To provide annual update in medicine; create a forum to interact with GMCA faculty and student body at professional, personal and social level.
 - b. How – An annual CME meeting with joint faculty from AMDAANA, GMCA and else where in India. We have been having a 2-3 day annual CME meeting, accredited by the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio for past 3 years. It includes a panel discussion with students. 22-30 AMDAANians (graduates of GMCA in North America) have attended this meeting each year.
3. Visiting Professors from AMDAANA:
 - a. Objective: To expose students and young faculty to a different view point and style.
 - b. How – AMDAANians visiting Amritsar will spend ½ - 1 day at GMCA. They will give grand rounds style lectures, interact with students, PGs and faculty in small group/individual settings. Eventual aim is to expand it to 3-5 day visits.
4. Lecture Theater Renovation:
 - a. Objective: To provide up to date lecture theaters with appropriate equipment in a comfortable setting.
 - b. How - Installed Computers and Electronic Projectors and Sound Systems in all 6 Lecture Theaters. Additional lighting provided. Commitment to install additional air conditioning units (on hold due to lack of heavy duty wiring – current wiring unable to handle the load).
5. Portable Equipment:
 - a. Objective – To provide portable equipment for conferences and attendance at national meetings and to provide back up for projector failure in lecture theaters.
 - b. How- Provided 3 Laptops and 3 additional electronic projectors.

6. E- Project:
 - a. Objective – To provide access to medical literature on the bed side and to introduce students/PGs to access information electronically and facilitate power point presentations for PG conferences.
 - b. How – Installed Desktop Computer, Laser Printer-Scanner-Copier, with a lockable Computer Desk and a Swivel Chair in post-graduate office for each Department, 25 altogether.
7. Laboratory Equipment:
 - a. Objective – Make the Laboratory self sufficient in handling routine daily blood tests for all in-patients and out-patients, and capability to analyze electrolytes (which did not exist)
 - b. How – Installed Semiautomatic Analyzer for chemistry, including electrolyte analyzer.
8. Orthopedics Operating Room:
 - a. Objective – To provide capability to reduce fractures under fluoroscopy that was not available.
 - b. How – Provided a C-Arm (X-Ray Machine) with compatible operating table and lots of powered surgical instruments for Orthopedics Department.
 - c. Arthroscopic Surgery Equipment provided Nov 2007
9. Common Rooms:
 - a. Objective – To have common rooms of a certain standard for boys and girls that one expects in a medical college.
 - b. How – Furnished two Common/Reading Rooms with 29” TVs with proper lockable cabinet, DVD Player, Table Tennis table, Carom Board with game-table, Padded Chairs, Coffee Table, and Air-Conditioner.
 - c. Two TVs provided fro girls’ hostel December 2007
10. ICU:
 - a. Objective – To provide ability for highest acuity of patient care.
 - b. How - Upgraded ICU – Provided all equipment, except Ventilators for 6-station ICU
11. IT Center in Library:
 - a. Objective – To provide mechanism for high speed literature search in the Library.
 - b. How - Installed 6 high speed computers and a heavy duty laser printer-scanner in the IT Center in the library.

Total Amount Spent on above -- \$155,545 or Rs.69 lacs