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“To improve the Quality of Medical Care, Training, and Practice in Nepal”

Telemedicine/Teleconference at NAMS/Bir Hospital

According to the above mission of ANMF, and the changing times and opportunities in this world of information technology, a major venture of ANMF this year has been to establish a **joint ANMF/Bir Hospital/NAMS telemedicine/ teleconferencing/teleconsulting** facility in Nepal.

Sastra Network Solution Inc. Pvt. Ltd. is the vendor that was identified. ANMF funded the AVAYA Scopia XT 5000 (Camera, mic, remote, and codec and other accessories) with 1 year maintenance. The package also includes 1 plus 8 multiparty licenses (FULL MCU9 LIC PKGY EMAIL with support). The furniture, LCD TV, room upgrade and all other cost was borne by NAMS/Bir Hospital.



As long as one of the licenses is being utilized at the base (the above room in Bir Hospital), 8 sites all over the world or various parts of Nepal can be connected for conferencing and/or consultation. A software can be added to any laptop/tablet to be used for communication.

NAMS plans to utilize the technology in two ways initially. To consult and conference with experts in the United States and other developed nations, and to connect central educators and experts in Bir Hospital to its peripheral facilities outside of Kathmandu for conferences, lectures, and case discussions. The South Korean government has already requested doctors in Bir Hospital to help manage Nepali patients in South Korea who cannot speak the language there. Additionally, Bir Hospital is in the process of identifying experts within (and outside of) ANMF in the US to educate and consult residents, fellows and other doctors in a recurring, consistent basis.

I am confident that this will be a major milestone in advancing healthcare and training in Nepal. I request anyone interested to please contact us so we can link you with NAMS/Bir Hospital.