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## Obituary

Editor: Henry R. Rollin

**GHULAM ALI ASGHAR, Medical Director, Asghar Hospital, Karachi, Pakistan.**

Dr Asghar died at the age of 75. He was a distinguished Pakistani psychiatrist and a Foundation Fellow of the College.

He was born on 16 July 1912 in a small village near Layalpur, Punjab, Pakistan. He was educated at a local school and subsequently graduated from Amritsar Medical School in India.

On leaving Medical School he joined the Railway Medical Services, but when World War II erupted he joined the Army Medical Service, achieving the rank of Captain. It was during a stay at an army camp at Ranchi, located near the mental hospital, that he started to take an interest in psychiatry. He subsequently joined the staff of Ranchi Mental Hospital and was later transferred to Lahore Mental Hospital.

He decided to further his studies in England and joined Dr Arthur Oldham's firm at Cane Hill Hospital, Coulsdon. He took a part in the establishment of an ECT unit and took a great interest in other physi-

cal methods of treatment in psychiatry, including insulin therapy. He took part in a trial of the newly established phenothiazine, chlorpromazine (Largactil), and together with Dr William Sargent monitored the side effects of the drug to be seen in some patients exposed to direct sunlight.

On a second visit to England he obtained the DPM, after which he returned to resume charge as Physician Superintendent of Hyderabad Mental Hospital.

On leaving this hospital he went into private practice in Karachi and established his own private psychiatric hospital serving the local community and patients from all over Pakistan.

He held the posts of Associate Professor of Psychiatry at F.J. Medical School, Liqueet Medical School and Dow Medical College Karachi. He was active in the Karachi Mental Health Foundation and was its Honorary Founder President and was an active and respected member of Pakistan Psychiatric Society. He welcomed the opportunity of attending