

Dr Anjan Borol

Consultant Psychiatrist
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Gora Chand Borol
(1933-1997)

Gora Chand Borol was born in a middle class family in north Calcutta on March 1, 1933. He completed his schooling in Calcutta and aspired to become a medical practitioner from a very young age. He took admission in R. G. Kar Medical college in 1955. He was a good sportsman in his school and college days and had won many accolades.

After graduation from Calcutta University he chose psychiatry as his speciality and obtained DPM and MD degrees from the University of Calcutta. He was the Hony Consultant at Urban Health Centre, All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health from January, 1974 to January, 1996. He was the consultant at the Psychiatry speciality Consultation Clinic at the Calcutta University Health Services, Calcutta University from April 1974 to March 1994. For a short period he worked as a RMO cum Clinical Tutor in Department of Psychiatry, Medical College, Kolkata in 1976-77. He was the Honyconsultant of government of Nagaland from September, 1975 for a period of 2 years. He was also the Hony Consultant Psychiatrist at Calcutta Medical Research Institute from January ,1977 to September, 1997. He was the Hony consultant at South Eastern Railway hospital

from April, 1986 to March, 1994. He joined the dock Labour Board Hospital as Hony Consultant in January ,1987 and continued to be so till December, 1995. He worked as Hony Consultant at Peerless Hospital & B. K. Roy Research Institute from August, 1993 to March, 1996.

HIS EXPERIENCE AS AN EXAMINER

UNDERGRADUATE

DMS in Physiology from july 1972 - December 1978

POST GRADUATE

DPM – University of Pune from December 1982 to june 1984

MD - University of Pune from December 1982 to june 1984

MD – Benares Hindu University from July 1983 to January 1985

MD – Patna University drom 1985 to 1988

MD – University of Bombay from November 1986 to May 1991

He was also the question paper setter for most of the abovementioned examinations.

HIS ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE AND CONTRIBUTION TO PSYCHIATRIC SOCIETIES

Hony Secretary of Indian Psychiatric Society, Eastern zonal Branch from 1974 to 1977

Member of the Executive Council of Indian Psychiatric Society, Eastern Zonal Branch from 1974 to 1979 and 1981 to 1988

Organising Secretary of the 29th Annual Conference of Indian Psychiatric Society held at Kolkata in January, 1977

Specialist of the Tripura Public Service commission, 1977

Hony Treasurer, Indian Psychiatric Society from 1980 to 1984

Vice President, Indian Psychiatric Society for 1985

PRESIDENT INDIAN PSYCHIATRIC SOCIETY FOR 1986

Chief Advisor for the 39th Annual Conference of Indian Psychiatric Society held at Kolkata in January, 1987

President, Indian Association of Social Psychiatry for 1991-92

President, Indian Association of Industrial Psychiatry of India for 1990-91

RESEARCH WORK

He had more than 50 research papers published in Indian Journals and 10 research papers published in International Journals which includes British Journal of Psychiatry.

SPECIAL ACADEMIC DISTINCTION

- ☞ An original research paper titled “Prevalence of Psychiatric Morbidity in two tribal communities in certain villages of West Bengal : A cross cultural study” was awarded the Marfatia Prize at The 28th Annual Conference of Indian Psychiatric Society held at Nagpur in 1976.
- ☞ Attended as Special Invitee and leader of the Delegation from India in 8th World Congress of the International League of Societies for the Mentally Handicapped, Nairobi, Kenya in November, 1982.
- ☞ Attended as Deputy Leader of the Delegation from India in the VII th World Congress of Psychiatry held at Vienna in July, 1983
- ☞ Attended as Leader of Delegation from India to the 3rd Pacific Congress of Psychiatry and acted as co-chairman in a scientific session in Seoul, South Korea, May, 1984
- ☞ Attended as a special International guest to the 139th Annual conference of American Psychiatric Association as the President of Indian Psychiatric society at Washington D.C. U.S.A in May 1986.
- ☞ Attended as a special invitee to the 6th International Psychiatric conference at Lahore, Pakistan in December, 1986
- ☞ Conferred as Member of National Academy of Medical Science in 1988

Dr Gora Chand Boral had a dynamic personality and his organisational capabilities were par excellence. His persona gave life to the people around him. He oozed confidence and empathy from his colleagues and patients. He was instrumental in bringing the

then Vice President of India to inaugurate the 29th Annual conference of Indian Psychiatric society held at Kolkata in January, 1977 of which he was the organising secretary. He was involved in many philanthropic activities like organising free medical camps with Swaraj Sangha o Pathagar which was very near to his ancestral home. He was engaged in running a free and charitable dispensary in Subarna Banik Samaj for a year.

Inspite of his busy schedule he always attended social and family gatherings. He was the pivot in organising his college batchmate reunion for 7 consecutive years since 1987. He had a keen interest in theatre. He performed many drama as an amateur

performer. He also was the the lead actor in several theatrical performances which were staged with his professional colleagues.

Dr Gora Chand Boral was a famed psychiatrist busy with his numerous professional commitments. Despite that he was a very kind hearted man who always lent a helping hand to people who needed help. He would go out of his way to help the needy.

He breathed his last on December 22, 1997 at the age of 64, leaving behind his wife, a son and a daughter.