

OBITUARY

Dr. Ramanbhai Iswarbhai Patel passed away due to massive heart attack at 1-30 p.m. on 8th January, 1998. As a dermatologist he had a long association with Indian Association of Dermatologists Venereologists and Leprologists and had been a honorary member of our association. He graduated from Bombay and took his postgraduate education at Vienna and London. He was the founder consultant of Kenyatta National Hospital, at Nairobi, and started the department of skin and V.D. He was highly academic and published many papers. His method of treating keloid among African races is still practised and accepted all over the globe. He was a great clinician and a

musical mastero in Indian classical music. He was chairman of oriental art circle, and member of National Theatre of Kenya. He was husband of late Indumati Ben, and beloved father of Raj and Dr Sailesh, Mahesh, He was father in law of Sovona, Joy, and Ami, and grand father of Nimmy and Anand. Dr. Walia, Dr. Marquis, Dr. Haribhakti, Dr. J. Mehta and myself met him in 1991 at Pan African Congress of Dermatology at Nairobi and had his excellent hospitality. The flame of friendship and love he lit for Indian dermatologists will keep the memory of his name aglow for years to come.

Dr. Kalyan Banerjee

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