

History of Army Medical College Jashore

History of the Establishment of Army Medical College Jashore



Fig: AMCJ Academic & Administrative Building

The **Army Medical College Jashore (AMCJ)** was established on January 10, 2015 at Sainik Barrack of an Infantry Regiment at Jashore Cantonment to contribute to the nation's healthcare sector by producing highly skilled, disciplined and ethical medical professionals.

The primary aim of establishing AMCJ was to meet the increasing demand for well-trained and disciplined medical professionals within the armed forces and the civilian healthcare sector. The institution seeks to:

- Provide high-quality medical education.
- Develop leadership qualities in students.
- Foster a strong sense of discipline and ethical medical practices.

Concept and Planning Phase

- In the early 2010s, the Bangladesh Army identified the need for dedicated medical colleges to address the growing demand for well-trained medical professionals within the armed forces and the civilian healthcare system.
- The vision was to establish multiple medical colleges across Bangladesh, under the direct supervision of the **Army Welfare Trust (AWT)**.



Ministry of Health



DGHS (Directorate General of Health Services)

Approval and Authorization

- The formal decision to establish Army Medical College Jashore was approved by the **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare** and the **Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS)** in 2014.
- The establishment was part of a broader plan to expand medical education opportunities outside Dhaka and other major urban centers.



Fig: Former AMCJ Campus

Foundation and Inauguration

- **January 10, 2015:** Army Medical College Jashore was officially founded within the secure and serene environment of as a temporary campus in 10 th Bengal , 55 Infantry Division in **Jashore Cantonment** , making it one of the key medical institutions in the southwestern region of Bangladesh.
- The initial setup included basic academic and administrative facilities, lecture halls and access to clinical training at local military hospitals.



Fig: BUP (Bangladesh University of Professionals)

Affiliation with Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP)

- AMCJ became affiliated with the **Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP)**, a prestigious academic institution that oversees the academic framework and degree accreditation for military-affiliated educational institutions.



Fig: Previous Lecture Gallery

First Academic Session

- The first batch of students was admitted in **2015**, marking the beginning of AMCJ's journey as a medical education institution.
- The college adopted the **Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council (BMDC)** curriculum, offering a five-year **MBBS program** followed by a one-year internship.

Initial Facilities and Development

- AMCJ began with:
 - Basic classrooms and administrative offices.
 - Initial teaching support from senior military and civilian doctors.
 - Collaboration with Combined Military Hospital (CMH) Jashore for clinical training.



Fig: Initial Histology lab (Anatomy) visited by DGMS



Fig: Initial Class room & Conference room



Fig: Initial Anatomy dissection hall & dormitory room visited by DGMS



Fig: Earliest Dining hall & admin office visited by GOC of 55 Infantry Division Jashore Cantonment



Fig: CMH Jashore Cantonment

Infrastructure Expansion

- Over time, significant investments were made to modernize and expand the campus, including:
 - Development of 06 storied and 05 storied twin residential Dormitory building which accommodates all students and intern doctors of medical college.



Fig: Formal unveiling of twin dormitory building construction site

- **2016:** In 10th January 2016 GOC of 55th Infantry Division Maj.Gen. S.M. Matiuir Rahman, AFWC, psc. laid the foundation stone of Army Medical College Jashore twin Hostel.
- Inauguration and naming of twin Dormitory



17th December 2023 Heroic Freedom fighter Lt Col Syed Abdul Hai Boys Hostel unfold the plaque by GOC of 55th Infantry Division Maj. Gen. Md Mahbubur Rashid ,SPP,ndu, psc



Fig: Ceremonial unveiling of Dr. Cap. Sitara Begum Girls Hostel by Chairman of lady's club

17th December 2023 Bir Protik Dr. Cap. Sitara Begum Girls Hostel unfold the plaque by Begum Khadiza Haque Chowdhury, ladies club Jashore cantonment.

- Development of 03 storied Academic building which accommodates all departments of Medical College.



Fig: Unveiling foundation stone of Academic & Administrative building

- **2019:** 16 th April 2019 GOC of 55th Infantry Division Maj. Gen. Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan sgp,ndc,afwc, psc, PhD laid the foundation stone of the Army Medical College Jashore Academic Building.

- **2023:** In 30 March 2023 Army Medical College Jashore Academic & Administrative building was inaugurated By Chief Of Army Staff General S M Shafiddin Ahmed, SBP(BAR), OSP,ndu,psc, PhD



Fig: Inauguration of Academic & Administrative building by CAS

- Development of a fully functional teaching hospital to enhance clinical exposure for students. (on going)



Fig: Unveiling foundation stone of Army Medical College Hospital Jashore by CAS

2024: In 13th November 2024 the foundation stone for a **500-bedded Army Medical College Hospital Jashore** was laid By Chief of Army Staff General Waker-Uz-Zaman, SBP, OSP, SGP, psc, signaling continued growth and development.

Recent Facilities of AMCJ

- 1.** Present Lecture gallery
- 2.** Physiology laboratory
- 3.** Recent Anatomy Dissection Hall and |Simulation zone
- 4.** AMCJ central Library
- 5.** AMCJ Conference Room
- 6.** AMCJ Auditorium
- 7.** AMCJ Parents visiting room
- 8.** AMCJ Emergency Medical Room
- 9.** Gynae laboratory
- 10.** AMCJ Cafeteria
- 11.** AMCJ Gymnasium room
- 12.** Common reading room
- 13.** AMCJ Dining hall
- 14.** Accommodation for students



Fig: Present Lecture gallery and Physiology laboratory classroom



Fig: Recent Anatomy Dissection Hall



Fig: AMCJ central Library



Fig: AMCJ Conference room



Fig: AMCJ Auditorium



Fig: Parents visiting room



Fig: Emergency Medical Room of AMCJ



Fig: Gynae laboratory



Fig: Gymnasium room of AMCJ



Fig: Common reading room



Fig: Cafeteria of AMCJ



Fig: AMCJ Dining hall



Fig: Accommodation for students

Foreign Student Desk

Understanding the needs of international students, AMCJ has established a dedicated Foreign Student Desk. This desk provides assistance with admission procedures, visa applications, and acclimatization to campus life, ensuring that foreign students have a smooth and enriching experience during their tenure at the college.



Fig: CEO, Principal & 1st batch international students

- **2020:** AMCJ has received recognition from international medical bodies, including approvals from Canadian and ECFMG (Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates) authorities. This global recognition underscores the college's commitment to maintaining high educational standards and enables its graduates to pursue further training and career opportunities abroad.

Contribution to Healthcare

- AMCJ has become a hub for producing skilled and ethical medical professionals who contribute to both military and civilian healthcare sectors in Bangladesh.
- Dr. Salman Mehedi Ankon (AMCJ-01), Dr. Seamonti Subha (AMCJ-01) joined the Bangladesh army as a Captain & Dr. Md. Yasir Arafat (AMCJ-01) as an Assistant Surgeon at the Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.



Fig: AMCJ graduates in national services

- Its graduates have demonstrated excellence in various healthcare settings, reinforcing the college's reputation as a center of academic and professional excellence.

The Army Medical College Jashore continues to evolve, upholding its mission to advance medical education and contribute to the healthcare landscape of Bangladesh. Its disciplined environment, modern facilities, and competent faculty make it a premier choice for medical education in the country.

Conclusion

The establishment of **Army Medical College Jashore** represents the Bangladesh Army's commitment to advancing medical education and healthcare in the country. From its modest beginnings in 2015, AMCJ has grown into a reputable institution known for its disciplined environment, modern facilities, and academic excellence, contributing significantly to the nation's medical field.