



GONOSHASTHAYA KENDRA

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Gonoshasthaya Kendra / HAIAP Award 2022

A Fellowship will be provided at Gonoshasthaya Kendra (GK), a people-oriented healthcare based non-governmental organization in Bangladesh, which provides community and institutional services in the fields of healthcare, women's empowerment, disaster management, education, agriculture, and basic rights-based advocacy. GK was founded by Dr Zafrullah Chowdhury in 1972.

The candidate will cover his/her own travel expenses to GK but all living expenses and incidental travel expenses and a small allowance will be covered by GK for the duration of the Fellowship.

This Fellowship Award will be conferred on a younger person – up to 40 years of age - from a low or middle income country within this list¹ who demonstrates promising leadership qualities and an interest in promoting self-determination and health for all especially the poorest of the poor. It will be awarded to a person who can be seen to have the qualities to learn from such an experience and to go forward to make a contribution to the wellbeing of the their own or another community.

About Gonoshasthaya Kendra (GK) – The People's Health Centre. GK set out with the key objective of 'health for all'. All projects are interwoven with this basic aim. Concentrating on the poor, GK began by providing preventive and primary health care for the surrounding villages where access to health services was almost non-existent, through trained para medic outreach health workers – mostly young women. Over the years, GK has developed into an integrated rural development project which includes education, nutrition, agriculture, environment, vaccine research, herbal medicinal plant research, income generation and vocational training with an emphasis on empowerment of women.

GK's overall objective is to use primary health care as an entry point to work with the people, for the people, to develop a just society. GK works towards this end by developing a people-oriented health care system and making people aware of health issues.

Learn more about GK here:

<https://gonoshasthayakendra.com>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vBqi7N5K-f8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FzLu154RYDE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bfE0zIsWQf4>

THE FELLOWSHIP AWARD

The award, which is given annually, is in the form of a **3-6 month placement at GK between July and December**. The length will be negotiated between the candidate and the interview panel.

THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE

Candidates will be interviewed to determine their adaptability to a new setting and different culture, food and language.

¹ <https://wellcome.org/grant-funding/guidance/low-and-middle-income-countries>

The successful candidate will be a non-smoker who will be accommodated at GK and will experience and learn from as many facets of GK as possible in the time. S/he will also have the opportunity for placement in other related settings with the support of GK.

The candidate will cover his/her own travel expenses to GK. GK will provide free full board and incidental local travel expenses as well as a monthly allowance for pocket expenses paid by GK.

The successful candidate will provide a succinct report of activities during the fellowship and will be available to share the experience in other settings at the host's expense.

NOMINATIONS ARE INVITED FOR THE GK/HAIAP FELLOWSHIP AWARD

This Award for 2022 recognises the work of a male or female individual up to 40 years of age from a low or middle income country ¹ who has demonstrated a commitment to learning from and working with the community with a desire to contribute to solidarity based community health and development.

HOW TO APPLY OR NOMINATE AN INDIVIDUAL

Nominations for the award, which can come from any individual or organization, should contain:

1. A one-page biodata of the candidate (including educational background, involvement in projects, achievements and testimonials from two authoritative mentors).
2. A 500-word statement of the nominee's qualities and achievements in the field of community based health involvement. Please provide:
 - a. documentation of work done.
 - b. what could be a possible contribution to GK
 - c. expectations from the fellowship
 - d. a recent photograph of the nominee.
3. Mentors' names, affiliations and addresses.

Closing Date

Nominations will close on Nov 30 2021.

Announcement of the Fellowship Award winner

The recipient will be chosen by an international panel of judges from GK and HAIAP. The successful candidate will be announced late January /early February 2022.

Please send nominations to:

HAIAP <Beverleyfsnell@gmail.com> cc Zafrullah Chowdhury <zaf.chowdhury@gmail.com>

Management

The GK/HAIAP Fellowship Award is managed by Health Action International Asia - Pacific (HAIAP)* and the GK Fellowship Committee

For further information please contact Health Action International Asia Pacific <Beverleyfsnell@gmail.com>

* HAIAP is a network of organizations and individuals involved in health and pharmaceutical issues. HAIAP upholds health as a fundamental human right and aspires for a just and equitable world in which there will be among others regular access to essential medicines to all who need them. HAIAP actively promotes the concept of Essential Drugs their rational and economic use through advocacy, research education and action campaigns. Website: www.haiasiapacific.org