

Medical services in Khulna hampered as doctors go on strike

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Online Desk: Medical services have been disrupted in all public and private hospitals in Khulna district since this morning as doctors went on a 24-hour work abstention to protest the attack on a fellow physician. The doctors at outpatient departments of government hospitals and at private hospitals went on work abstention from 6 am today and will continue till 6 am tomorrow.

Outpatient doctors of government hospitals and private hospitals went on strike from 6 am and will continue till 6 am tomorrow. On February 25, Dr Sheikh Nishat Abdullah, head of Burn and Plastic Surgery Department of Shaheed Sheikh Abu Naser Specialized Hospital was allegedly physically assaulted by a patient's relatives including assistant sub-inspector Naim posted in Satkhira district police, at a nursing home in Sheikhpara of Khulna city during surgery.

Protesting the attack, Bangladesh Medical Association (BMA), Khulna decided to observe 24-hour work abstention from this morning to Thursday morning. Dr Sheikh Baharul Alam, president of BMA Khulna unit, announced the work abstention programme while speaking at a press briefing at Kazi Azharul Haque Auditorium on Tuesday. While reading out the statement, Dr Baharul also demanded the arrest of the attackers.