

'Breast cancer ward' set up at SIUT

KARACHI: Sindh Institute of Urology and Transplantation (SIUT) has enhanced its services by setting up a "breast cancer ward" as a part of its clinical ambit. The newly established ward was inaugurated by Dr Azra Pechuho, Sindh Health Minister at ceremony on Monday afternoon.

She was informed that ailment of breast cancer is posing a great threat in the female population of Pakistan as according to an estimate one approximately in nine women suffers with the ailment. The rate of prevalence happens to be one of the highest as compared to other Asia countries

In this backdrop the Sindh Health Minister was told that SIUT took the initiative and set up a unit in 2017 with an aim to provide multidisciplinary services and extend treatment to all patients.

SIUT now plans to enhance its activities by increasing the number of out door patients' facilities beside performing surgeries, and carrying out radiology and pathology. The department is also enhancing genetically testing in the days to come.

Speaking on the occasion the Sindh Health Minister greatly lauded the services which the SIUT is providing to the society at large for over past four decades.

She declared Dr Adib Rizvi, Director of SIUT, as an iconic personality of the country. Dr Azra Pechuho declared that the statistics of breast cancer patients in our society is an eye opener. She assured that all steps would be taken to provide relief to affected population

Earlier, Prof Adib Rizvi in his address presented the transformation and achievements of SIUT milestone during past four decades. Dr Bushra Sheerazi, the in-charge of the newly established ward gave a detailed presentation about the phenomenon of breast cancer in the country. The minister accompanied by Director and other faculty staff members went round the various sections of the ward and saw the available facilities.

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