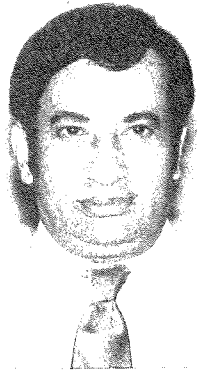


OBITUARY



Tan Sri (Dr.) R.P. Pillay, A.M., M.B.B.S., F.R.C.P., (Edin.)
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We regret to record with great sorrow the loss to Malaysia of one of its brilliant sons, Tan Sri R.P. Pillay, a former President of the Malaysian Medical Association, at the relatively young age of 52 of a heart attack on December 19th, 1980. We tender our heartfelt sympathies in their bereavement to his sorrowing widow and 3 children.

He was a medical graduate of the University of Singapore in 1953. He served in various hospitals in Malaysia and obtained his Membership of the Royal College of Physicians in 1959. He was posted as the Senior Physician of the General Hospital, Kuala Lumpur in 1960 and became the Director of the hospital in 1969. In May 1980 he was appointed the Director-General of Health and Medical Services of Malaysia.

He was an outstanding physician and a heart specialist. His was a dynamic personality and he had great administrative abilities. He lent his support to various medical organisations and societies. He was President of the Senior Government Officers' Association, Past-President of the Association of Physicians of Malaysia, Past-Master of the Academy of Medicine, and a member of the Editorial Board of the Medical Journal of Malaysia, the Poisons Board Malaysia, the Malaysian Medical Council and the Post-graduate Board of Medicine of the University of Malaya.

He was elected Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (Edin.) in 1968, Fellow of American College of Physicians in 1969 and the American College of Cardiology in 1972 and the College of Chest Physicians in 1970 and Fellow of Australasian College of Physicians.

He was appointed physician to the Cabinet in 1962 and personal physician to the Yang Di-Pertuan Agong in 1965. He was conferred the Honorary Knight Commander of the Victorian Order in 1975 by Queen Elizabeth II.

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