

Homoeopathy Today

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Though Homoeopathy has conquered the heart of the people of all classes in India, and has occupied a major part of their daily life, but still it is widely considered the last alternative in medicinal treatment.

The poor can not afford to bear the heavy burden of expenditure of conventional treatment including the Ayurvedic one, nevertheless they are not at all free from the magic influence of the Tab., Capsules and Injections.

Most of the persons are ready to bear with time and expenditure of conventional treatment but are never agreed to give time & money to homoeopath and become impatient if there is some

delay in getting relief with homoeopathic treatment. They ask 'Doctor, how long time will you take to cure me ? Why am I not getting better even after so many days of your treatment ?' They never ask these questions to the Doctor of other pathy. Simply they keep mum like a good boy and return home or perhaps they can not collect courage enough to displease their doctors by asking such questions or they do not find time to talk to their doctors as the heavy back pressure of the queue behind him compells him to eject as soon as he enters into the consulting room. One of my colleagues was telling me that the patient in homoeopathic treatment gets cure naturally with the time; and homoeo medicine has no specific

role in it. He is correct in saying so. Homoeopathic medicines help the patient's natural vital dynamis to get through the crisis intruded in the system. Homoeopathy being natural law of cure, helps the concerned nature of the sick to be cured and so there you won't find any sequelae as are found after allopathic palliation. But he does not believe in it.

However, every pathy has its limitation and the concerned physician must be cautious about it always and act accordingly. No unnecessary ego should come in the mind of the physician while treating a patient. He must refer the patient to the concerned expert or call on him to intervene with necessary measurement in critical

condition as the life of a patient is of prime importance.

But while doing so, it is seen that the homoeopath loses his patient as the patient submits entirely to other pathy. A homoeopath feels that he can not exclusively rely on homoeopathy in most acute cases and ultimately has to resort to hospitalisation or go to an allopath for help in utter distress. This happens because homoeopathic indoor treatment facility (Hospital, Nursing home) is very rare in our country. So the patient of serious condition like Asthma, Cardiac trouble, convulsions, Epilepsy, Tetanus, CVA does not come to a homoeopath for help. Thus the people know very well that homoeopathy is very slow acting treatment and is only applicable for slow progressing disease like cold & cough dyspepsia, Rheumatic trouble, gout leucorrhoea etc. or the chronic one.

Homoeopaths also know very well that they have not to deal with serious or casualty cases (except in Govt. homoeopathic hospital) and direct them to go to allopathic hospital.

Most of the homoeopaths are part time practitioner. After coming from their office, court, factory, etc. they give some time to their practice. Naturally they have no need to depend on homoeopathic treatment for their livelihood. So they do practise as welfare work to the society.

Those who are full-fledged homoeopathic practitioners they depend much on their practice and make all possible efforts to relieve and cure their patient at the earliest so that they need not leave their treatment and switch over to other pathy. In this circumstance some of them may have to shift from the homoeopathic principle and resort to poly remedy practice or something like that of antipathy. Also they may have to see a huge number of patients in the queue and thereby can not pay full attention to their patient to individualise for selection of correct medicine.

Now in this age of computer everybody wants quick diagnosis, quick result, quick relief of their trouble. A homoeopath has to compete with the modern magic drugs which render one very quick relief, may what come, after short relief. An executive must attend to his office today for certain important assignment, he demands quick attention and relief so that he can accomplish his job to the entire satisfaction of his higher authority. Give him such medicine so that he need not take (un-necessary ?) rest which may be the only prescription according to homoeopath for the present. But as he cannot afford remaining on leave, his trouble must be relieved by hook or by crook. Here is the analgesic, pyregesic Diuretic etc. at your service. He has no time to give you minute details of his trouble and modalities. If you have keen observation capacity and a sharp penetrating vision, do the needful or

else let him go to his doctor. How can you check him when such wonder drugs are available. Thus people are acquiring a number of iatrogenic disease which is more dangerous than any natural disease and are very difficult to cure. You don't find the correct indication of the remedy which was lurking in the beginning and now it is covered within the heavy deep crust of dry symptoms.

Now where is the time and tenacity of a homoeopath to stick to his principle as being a person of the same society he too needs earning his livelihood in the best possible way. This is struggle for existence. He too has to live in. He too has so many call of duties. He too has to manage his own family, though he may not want to be rich like any of his colleagues.

Nevertheless, the time is changing fast. The people being scourged with the whip of bad reaction of the modern magic medicine. They are now-a-days, realising the fruitless conventional treatment and marching towards the new pathy i.e. homoeopathy, Acupressure, Acupuncture, Ayurvedic, Magnatotherapy, or Naturopathy etc. The senior practitioners of conventional method are encouraging their chronic patients to take homoeopathic treatment and they are taking homoeopathic medicine for their own children and family members. The day is not very far away when people will give much importance to homoeopathy only for its effi-