



Penta-C Agnosis: Fivefold Blindness in Clinicians

Most of us know of the story of the six blind men describing an elephant. Akin to these Six Blind Men of Indostan, we are clinicians grouping with the unrecognized handicaps in five major areas of the day to day grind of medical practice, be it Homoeopathy, allopathy or any other pathy.

The Americans with their innate paranoia have recognized cancer as The Big C. The bigger C is Coronary and the biggest C is death or Cessation. It is quite funny that despite all the gloss of gadgetry, the biggest discovery of the last 100 years in science has been that of the irremediable ignorance of mankind. Regarding the major "Killer diseases" Modern Medicine as well as the rival Alternative medicines are gloriously ignorant of the basic Concept (definition of the disease), Cause of the disease, Course of it, Cure for it and the Complications of the disease as well as the therapy. Our continuing ignorance in these five vital areas has been abbreviated by us as Penta-C-Agnosis. This unacknowledged negative side of the so called modern medicine rules the roost in the areas of, for example, coronary artery disease including heart attack, cancer and cerebrovascular diseases or stroke. We have come across only a rare medical man who is conscious of the intellectual bankruptcy of the biggest medical practitioner or any modern fifteen star hospital. How many of us are cognizant of the fact that the magical figure of 120/80 as the ideal BP has been foisted on medical world and hence on mankind by American insurance companies with the sole idea of reaping huge profits? Sir George Pickering, a leading British authority on BP

cried hoarse all his life that nobody has defined until today, normality of BP. Nobody knows where normality ends and the abnormalities of high/low BP begin. CAD, Cancer, and CVD have not been defined as yet and so are Diabetes Mellitus or Arthritis.

Having goofed up on the basic concept or definition, medicos are thoroughly ignorant of the cause/ course/ cure/ complications that attend any heart attack, stroke or cancer. The net result has been that in all these areas there has been no progress worth writing home about in the last 300 years. All that medicos do or the patients receive is some form of palliation best known as PQEST meaning Patchwork Quilt rewarding Symptomatic Therapies. Either the symptom is suppressed, or a sign removed without honestly doing anything to alter the course of the disease. Investigations however sophisticated, ultra manages to mislead, and treatments however costly, manage to hurt. The biggest sacrifice is given by the animals who are tortured beyond imagination in the experimental labs. It is humbling to realize that the killing of billions of animals has not mitigated our Penta-C-Agnosis even for such banal things as arthritis or infection. Modern medicine has drawn a blank. Nothing on the horizon can offer us a better future.

The bottom line of the above is humility. We medicos, here or in the most advanced country should accept the profundity, the seeming perversity and the hopeless incurability of our Penta-C-Agnosis. This done, we will diagnose/ treat/ prognose/ experiment/ spend/ kill and the animal world left to play with us. Our Penta-C-Agnosis cannot be cured, even if ten times the money that the tycoon Dhirubhai Ambani has left, were to be poured down the medical drain every day.

Physician, be you Homoeopath or Allopath or whichever path, Heal Thyself.



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