Biography



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Prof. K. S. Gopinath, MS, FAMS, FRCS (Edin) is a Surgical Oncologist, known for his pioneering work on oncological research. He is a recipient of many awards including Dr. B. C. Roy Award, considered to be the premier medical honour in the country. The President of India recognized his services to the field of oncology by awarding him the fourth highest civilian award, the Padma Shri, in 2010.

Kodaganur S. Gopinath was born in Davangere, a small town in Karnataka and had humble beginnings. He had his early schooling at St Paul's Convent School and joined JJM Medical College, Davangere, in 1968, to secure his MBBS degree with third rank, in 1975. Higher studies in general surgery (MS) were done at the King Edward Memorial Hospital and Seth Gordhandas Sunderdas Medical College, Mumbai. Next, he obtained FRCS from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and FAMS from the National Academy of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

On his return from Edinburgh, Dr Gopinath joined Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore as a surgical oncologist where he remained till he started work on the Bangalore Institute of Oncology in 1989. He is the Director of Healthcare Global Enterprise (HCG), one of the world's largest cancer-care providers and Director and Consultant, Surgical Oncology at the Bangalore Institute of Oncology and Ambuja Health Care.

He is known to have done extensive research on oncology with special emphasis on the surgery of head and neck, comparative study of laparoscopic and conventional surgical methods, cancer of the rectum and the impact of yoga on cancer. He is also regarded as a specialist in the treatment of Breast Cancer.