

Dr. Sabyasachi Bal

Designation: Visiting Consultant

Departments: Thoracic Surgery

Dr S Bal is the director of the department of Thoracic Surgery and Thoracic Surgical Oncology and is assisted by Dr Rakesh Kumar and Dr LM Darlong, both consultants with considerable surgical experience and expertise and a team of dedicated surgical intensivists, anaesthesiologists, paramedical personnel and physiotherapists.

Dr Bal, is an alumnus of AIIMS, New Delhi and was, till 2005, an Additional Professor of Surgery and Consultant Thoracic Surgery and Chief of the Lung Cancer and other thoracic malignancies Clinic at his alma mater, the prestigious All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

He is a former fellow of the internationally renowned Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre at New York and a Senior Registrar at the Royal Marsden Cancer Hospital, London. He has trained in Thoracic surgery in AIIMS, New Delhi and in the UK at the South West Regional Thoracic Surgery Unit at Bristol and at the Brompton Chest Hospital, London. He has been a clinical research fellow at University of Leicester, UK in Lung Volume Reduction Surgery for Emphysema; which he has pioneered in India. Dr Bal is also one of the pioneers in diagnostic and therapeutic thoracoscopic procedures and today, the department gets referrals from all over North, East and North-East India. He is a member of many surgical societies in India, USA, UK and Japan and has numerous peer reviewed scientific publications and awards to his credit including the Norman Tanner Best Paper Award (Royal Society of Medicine, UK), the Japanese Surgical Society Award in 1996, 1997, the Varoon Mahajan Fellowship of the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre, New York, USA, the Escorts Raj Nanda Pulmonary Fellowship to Glenfield Hospital, University of Leicester, UK and the Best Paper Award of the Indian Association of Surgical Oncology in 2002.

The department has special expertise in the treatment of lung cancers and has access to all facilities related to diagnosis, staging and treatment of lung and other chest cancers.

The department provides the following services.

- major lung resections for carcinoma and other tumours including chest wall resections
- Resection of pulmonary secondaries
- oesophageal resections for malignancy
- surgery for benign oesophageal disorders
- pleural diseases such as empyema and pneumothorax
- Tracheal resections for strictures, tumours and trauma
- Complex Resections for Thyroid Cancer
- Lung Volume Reduction Surgery
- Mediastinal tumours

- Video-assisted diagnostic and therapeutic surgery (including oesophageal motility disorders and thymectomy for myasthenia gravis).
- Malignant Pleural and Pericardial effusions-Thoracoscopic treatment
- Chest wall deformities
- Soft tissue and Solid Tumours including chest wall primary lesions
- Thyroid disorders needing Thoracic input
- Surgery for thyroid disorders and cancers and parathyroid diseases
- Day Care diagnostic thoracoscopy and mediastinoscopy
- Airway stenting and laser interventions
- Surgery for chest wall and thoracic injuries