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The 1st Turkey-Uzbekistan Health week,
14-25 October 2015, Fergana-Uzbekistan



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The 1st Turkey-Uzbekistan Health Week was organized in Fergana province of Uzbekistan between the dates of 14 and 25 October 2015.

Delegation of the Ministry of Health was presided by Mr. Arif Çetin, Head of Department, and consisted of Güvenç Güngör from the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs, Prof. Dr. Uğur Koçer, Specialist Dr. Koray Gürsoy, Dr. Ali Çetinkaya, Dr. F. Berna Göktaş Demircan, Nurse Gülten Küçük from the Plastic Surgery Clinic of Ankara Training and Research Hospital, Op.Dr. Kadri Özer from Aydın State Hospital, Op.Dr. Yağmur Yaprak Balı from Artvin State Hospital, Associate Prof. Beyazıt Dikmen, Anesthesia Technician Bekir Sandal from Gazi University Anesthesia and Reanimation Department, Specialist Dr. Mehmet Gamlı from Ankara Numune Training and Research Hospital Anesthesia and Reanimation Department, Nurse Nilüfer Gökdamak from Ankara 29 Mayıs Hospital and Anesthesia Technician Tülin Yıldırım from Ankara Ulus State Hospital.

During the 1st Turkey-Uzbekistan Health Week, 31 patients were examined and 109 surgical operations were performed in the field of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. Furthermore, about 100 Uzbek healthcare professionals – nurse, physicians and other healthcare professional from the field of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery – were trained.



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During the health week, Prof. Dr. Laziz Tuynchiev, Deputy Minister of Health of Uzbekistan, Namık Güner Erpul, Ambassador of Turkey in Tashkent, Prof. Dr. Süleyman Kızıltoprak, TİKA Tashkent Coordination Office Coordinator and Svetlana İmamova, President of Healthy Child Foundation were visited

On Thursday, 15 October 2015 at 11:00, office of Prof. Dr. Laziz Tuynchiev, Deputy Minister of Health of Uzbekistan was visited for an official meeting. In addition to Arif Çetin, Head of Department, Güvenç Güngör, Prof. Dr. Uğur Koçer and Associate Prof. Bayazıt Dikmen; Ercan Özten, Undersecretary of Turkish Embassy in Tashkent, Prof. Dr. Süleyman Kızıltoprak, TİKA Tashkent Coordination Office Coordinator and specialists from Ministry of Health of Uzbekistan Maternal and Child Health Department and Directors of the Maternal and Child Health Hospital attended the meeting.



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In his statement, Laziz Tuychiev expressed his satisfaction from the mutual cooperation between two countries and said that the sister country Republic of Turkey always makes such assistances to Uzbekistan and it is very important for their development. He stated his wish for continuation and increase of such assistance and cooperation organizations and thanked to Dr. Mehmet Müezzinoğlu, Minister of Health of the Republic of Turkey and TIKA for this activity in Uzbekistan.

Mr. Arif Çetin, Head of Department, who took the floor on behalf of the delegation, said that they were welcomed with very warm interest as of the time they landed on the airport and they felt great satisfaction from this warm interest. He expressed good wishes and greetings of Dr. Mehmet Müezzinoğlu, Health of Minister of the Republic of Turkey, and stating that the close relations between two countries are being developed with these annual health organizations, he mentioned that this development also helps deepen close relations between the people of two countries. Ercan Özten, Chief Advisor of Turkish Embassy, and Süleyman Kızıltoprak, TIKA Coordinator, also took the floor and emphasizing importance of such organizations, they expressed good wishes for both countries. The meeting ended with exchange of presents and expressions of kindness.



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The Turkish delegation was welcomed by Deputy Governor of Fergana, Fergana Regional Official of Healthy Child Foundation, Provincial Health Director of Fergana and patients and patient relatives at the Fergana Maternal and Child Hospital on Friday, 6 October 2015. During the opening ceremony, Deputy Governor, Chief Physician of the Hospital, Provincial Health Director and on behalf of the Turkish delegation, Mr. Arif Çetin, Head of Department, delivered brief statements. In summary, the brotherhood between two countries was underlined and importance of such organizations was reiterated in the statements.

Following the ceremony, operation rooms and clinics were visited and Turkish delegation met with the Uzbek physicians and allied healthcare personnel.



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Representatives of local and national press showed great interest to our delegation and made interviews with our personnel and patient relatives.





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On Thursday, 22 October 2015, Tolkinay Taciyeva, Deputy Governor of Fergana Province and authorities of Fergana Region organized a dinner in the honor of our delegation. In the statements delivered during the dinner, they thanked to our delegation for their selfless works and presents were exchanged.



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Namık Güner Erpul, Turkish Ambassador in Tashkent visited the Turkish delegation on 23 October 2015 and thanked to all members of the delegation for their hard work. Emphasizing that such organizations are important to increase visibility of Turkey, Mr. Ambassador said that the number of such activities should be increased.

Subsequently Mr. Arif Çetin, Head of Delegation, and Prof. Dr. Uğur Koçer informed him about the operations and impressions of the delegation during the organization. Saying that the current agreement does not meet the requirements to develop the relations and ensure sustainability, Mr. Arif Çetin stated that draft of the new agreement was discussed and agreed by the officials of the Ministries of two countries and once it is executed, the relations will gain momentum. Moreover, it was stated that participation of the Minister of Health of Uzbekistan in the 5th Islamic Conference of Health Ministers which will be held in Istanbul on 17-19 November 2015 would be very beneficial and a new agreement may be signed with a ceremony during this visit. Mr. Ambassador replied that he would do his best to ensure participation from Uzbekistan.



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Mr. Ambassador also underlined that Uzbekistan has a high potential in terms of medical tourism and this potential is currently shared by Russia and India and representatives of public and private sectors in Turkey should work on this issue.

The meeting ended with exchange of presents and sentences of kindness.



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The Turkish delegation came together in early hours of Friday, 24 October 2015 and took part in the Samarkand visit organized by TIKA Tashkent Coordination Office. Following the travel by train, the delegation visited historical and cultural places of Samarkand. The Turkish delegation returned to Tashkent in the evening hours of the same day and travelled to Istanbul at 03:10.

The 1st Turkey-Uzbekistan Health Week in Fergana became very successful and significant organization countrywide. Success of the operations and procedures performed in the country for the first time was welcomed by all. Especially in Fergana Valley Region, in addition to cleft palate and cleft lip operations, the delegation came across with many cases of burn.

Developing the current relations and improving the cooperation will reinforce the brother role of Turkey in the eyes of the Turkish Republics and draw our peoples nearer.



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