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Renaming of the Dental Institute, Colombo as National Dental Hospital (Teaching) - Sri Lanka

The Dental Institute, Colombo was established in 1926 as an affiliated institution to the then General Hospital, Colombo. The institution was given the name 'Dental Institute' based on the demand of services at that time, during which the institution service limited to a narrow spectrum of primary healthcare needs. The head of the institution's services were limited to a narrow spectrum of primary health care needs while gradually expanded with advancing global experience.

The scope of the services of the Dental Institute today has widened over the past several decades from primary care services to high-tech tertiary care including Oral and Maxillo-Facial Surgery, Advanced Orthodontics, Orthognathic treatment, Advanced Restorative and Prosthodontic interventions. Further, these clinical services are supported by Laboratory and Radiological services. In parallel to the above mentioned developments, it has become a postgraduate training center that trains almost the full range of specialties in the field of dentistry in Sri Lanka.

In accordance with the above scope the Dental Institute plays a complementary role with the National Hospital of Sri Lanka, the premier Teaching Hospital of the country. Further, the Dental Institute collaborates with international institutions in postgraduate studies and dental research.

In par with these developments the Developments the Dental Institute is renamed as the National Dental Hospital (Teaching), Sri Lanka with immediate effect.

Other information pertaining to the institution are as follows:

1. Name of the Institution :- National Dental Hospital (Teaching) – Sri Lanka
2. Administrative District :- Colombo
3. Electoral Division :- Borella
4. Divisional Secretary's Area :- Thimbirigasyaya
5. Nearest Administrative Office: - National Hospital of Sri Lanka
6. Officer In-Charge :- Deputy Director General
7. Post and Telegraph Office :- Maradana
8. Nearest Railway Station :- Maradana
9. Police Station :- Maradana



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