

It is lesser-known fact or a matter not given prominence:

The downtime of medical and non-medical equipment and machinery is very high in national hospitals despite having a biomedical engineering unit. This causes a huge burden on patients and result in waste of resources. The best or suitable solutions are

1. Automated down time tracking and installing state of the art predictive maintenance in all hospitals.

2. Install UpToDate maintenance units with highly trained personal in hospitals
(In addition to existing staff in the biomedical unit)

3. Like in Europe, US and Japan establish the Right to Repair act where the suppliers are mandate to provide information to repair. (this will help even other equipment) THE PRACTICE OF DEPENDING ON THE SUPPLIER IS A WASTE OF TIME AND RESOURCES

4. Invest in supporting the Repair industry Sri Lankan technicians and skilled workers are known for their ability to repair

5. Promote teaching and researching on this specific subject

Note: Sri Lanka medical council has already had discussions on this subject