

City sees its fifth cadaver donation of '16

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Mumbai: The city witnessed its fifth cadaveric donation of 2016 on Thursday when a Nepean Sea Road teacher's family donated her organs to save the lives of five patients.

The 67-year-old retired teacher suffered a stroke early on Wednesday and was rushed to Saifee Hospital at Charni Road. "She was declared brain dead late in the night and her son, who is also a teacher, was aware about organ donation," said Dr Shabina, who is also a transplant coordinator at the hospital.

One of her kidneys was donated to a 45-year-old male patient registered for transplant at Saifee Hospital itself while the other went to a 28-year-old at Nanavati Hospital in Juhu. The liver was donated to a 45-year-old male patient registered at Global Hospital, Parel, and her corneas to Bachaoali Eye Hospital in Parel.

An official of the Zonal Transplant Coordination Centre, which coordinates sharing of cadaveric organs between hospitals, said the recipients are doing well. The city saw 42 cadaver donations in 2015. Two of this year's five donations took place at Saifee.