

# City cadaver programme has its fab-five moment

Five donations in last 24 hours give a ray of hope to as many as 22-25 patients

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It is a golden moment and a huge booster for the cadaver donation programme, after five city families took the emotionally strong decision of donating the bodies of their brain-dead loved ones. According to doctors, this is a record in Mumbai, as never before have there been so many organ donations.

In the last 24 hours, as many as 22-25 patients have seen a new ray of hope, and over 36 doctors, including surgeons, have been working tirelessly in different hospitals to make the transplants a success. The only dampener is that in one of the cases, doctors found that the cadaver's organs were not suitable for transplant.

Dr Vinay Kumaran, head of the department of liver transplant and hepato-biliary surgery at Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani hospital (KDAH), said, "It is sad that the cadaver donor in our hospital wasn't fit for donation. But, it is good to see the number of cadaver donations in the last 24 hours. We are sure the number will go up and more patients will



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Date	Hospital	Heart	Liver	Kidney
10th Feb	Godrej	0	1	2
11th Feb	MGM	1	1	2
11th Feb	Nanavati	0	1	0
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TRANSPLANTATION				
Sr. No.	Donor Hospital	Organs	Recipient Hospital	Age/Sex
1	MGM	Heart	Fortis	36/Male
		Liver	Global	50/Female
		1st kidney	MGM	38/Male
		2nd kidney	Nair	25/Female
2	Godrej	Liver	KDAH	66/Male
		Kidneys (both)	Godrej	61/Male
3	Nanavati	Liver	Global	58/Male
4	Nanavati	Liver	Fortis	39/Male

cadaver donations.

"This is a great moment for us. We have been working for this cause for the last 20-22 years. It is a very positive sign that people are now aware of cadaver donation and want to co-operate. If the government hospitals and private hospitals that have permission for the retrieval work hard, we will be number one in cadaver donation programme in the country," said Dr Gustav Daver, ZTCC president and medical director at Sir HN Reliance Foundation hospital.

Meanwhile at Nanavati hospital, where the families of an 80-year-old woman and a 52-year-old woman decided to donate their livers and corneas, transplant coordinator Prakash Saindane said, "It was a crazy day. Never before, we saw so many cadaver donations."

Meanwhile, one more heart transplant in the city has now taken the count to 11 since August 2015. The procedure was performed in Fortis hospital in Mulund on Friday. The 36-year-old patient from Lonavla, suffering from end-stage dilated cardiomyopathy, had been on the waiting list for

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