

## Training

### CME on 'Brain Death and Organ Donation' at Sahyadri Super Specialty Hospitals, Pune

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An ICU Workshop was conducted on March 10, 2024 with Maharashtra Medical Council (MMC) credit points, in partnership with ZTCC Pune, for Sahyadri Group of Hospitals in Pune. This event was attended by 160 participants including doctors from the critical care, coordinators, nurses and administrative representatives.

Ms Jaya Jairam, Project Director at MOHAN Foundation gave an 'Overview of deceased donation in India', followed by Ms Sujata Ashtekar, Consultant ROTTO-SOTTO, Mumbai, who spoke on 'Legal framework in India'. In order to stress on the importance of corneal and skin donation after circulatory or brain death, the CME included talks by Dr Pranav More, Ophthalmologist and Dr Jaysing Shinde, Skin Bank incharge at Surya Hospital.

This was followed by extremely engaging talks by Dr Rahul Pandit, an expert in critical care with vast experience in declaration of brain death, on topics of Brain stem death identification and certification, Maintenance of potential brain dead donor and Discussions on common pitfalls and practical considerations in brain death certifications.

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Activities highlighting responsibilities and need for effective role allocation when having a brain dead donor in the ICU were conducted. A simulation video on brain death testing was shown. A lecture on 'Grief counselling and Making the ask for organ donation' was given by Ms Jaya Jairam. This was followed by a film on 'Best and poor approach to counselling for organ donation'.



Col (retd) Dr Sunil Rao, COO, Sahyadri Hospitals welcoming the participants



Dr Rahul Pandit discussing 'Brain death certification'

Ms Arati Gokhale, Senior Transplant Coordinator, ZTCC Pune spoke on 'Role of ZTCC and organ allocation'. Panel discussion on facilitating deceased donation with in the hospital was moderated by Dr Kapil Borwake (Director - ICU, Sahyadri Hospital) and the panel included administrative representatives, neurologists, intensivists, nephrologist, liver and heart transplant experts.



Ms Jaya Jairam, MOHAN Foundation speaking on 'Grief counselling and Making the ask for organ donation'