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## **Budget Growth of the National Organ Transplant Program**

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The National Organ Transplant Program in India is crucial for patients with end-stage organ failure. The program's budget has seen steady increase over recent years. In the fiscal year 2022-2023, the allocated budget of the program's financial journey was 9.11 crores. Moving into 2023-2024, the revised budget saw a notable increase to 11.00 crores. The most striking testament to the program's trajectory came in 2024-2025, when the allocated budget soared to 15.00 crores.

- Significant budget growth reflects societal recognition
- and commitment to organ transplantation
- Enhanced resources support improved clinical
- outcomes and expanded donor networks
- Commitment to healthcare equity ensures accessibility
- to all socioeconomic groups

**Corresponding Author**: Dr. Sunil Shroff, MOHAN Foundation, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India **Email:** shroff@mohanfoundation.org To address the issue of equitable access, it is crucial for the government to enhance organ transplant services in public sector hospitals, particularly in government-run medical colleges. These institutions have the potential to conduct kidney transplants but often lack the necessary expertise and manpower. To address these gaps, a robust public-private partnership should be developed. This approach will help provide transplant services to marginalized and disenfranchised populations, ensuring that everyone, regardless of their economic status, can benefit from these lifesaving procedures.

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