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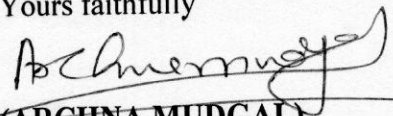
Subject: National Organ Transplant Program (NOTP) guidelines

Sir/Madam

Please find enclosed herewith the message dt. 22.11.2021 of Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India regarding National Organ Transplant Program (NOTP) requesting integrated efforts of the States, Institutions, Healthcare Professionals, Non-Government Organization and members of community.

Your kind support is solicited in the matter.

Yours faithfully


(ARCHANA MUDGAL)
Registrar-cum-Secretary

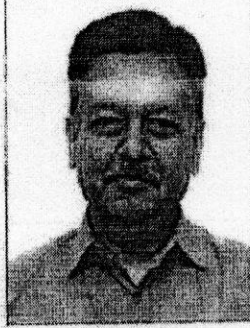


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MESSAGE


The National Organ Transplant Program was first conceived in 2011-2012 and its detailed guidelines entitled "High Lights of National Organ and Tissue Transplant Programme & Operational Guidelines for Its Implementation" were first published in 2015. After the inception of the program, total No. of organ transplants in the country has increased from 4990 in the year 2013 to 12746 in the year 2019 and Organ donation Rate (No. of deceased donors per million population) increased from 0.16 in the year 2012 to 0.65 in the year 2018.

As part of national network, National level namely National Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization (NOTTO) and five regional organization namely Regional Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization (ROTO) have been established at Mumbai, Kolkata, Chandigarh, Chennai and Guwahati to cover western, eastern, northern, southern and north-eastern regions of country, respectively. It is envisaged to set up one State Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization (SOTTO) in each state with 14 SOTTOs already sanctioned so far. The NOTTO and ROTOs are also SOTTOs for the States where they are located. This noble cause requires the integrated effort of the States, institutions, healthcare professionals, non-government organization and members of community. We must strive to create a culture of voluntary deceased organ and tissue donation in India.

Government of India is committed to provide the supports already approved under NOTP to facilitate the initiatives taken by the States/UTs. These NOTP Guidelines will serve as a guidance document for implementation of its various components with larger goal of saving and transforming lives of those who suffer from organ and tissue failure.

I encourage States/UTs to plan & prepare proposals for educating community, train hospital staff, improve infrastructure and develop a sound coordination and networking system for the life-saving act of organ donation.

Place : New Delhi
Date : 22nd November 2021


(Rajesh Bhushan)