

*In the news – National***Tragedy Turns to Hope: Young Mother's Organ Donation Saves Four Lives**

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A 25-year-old full-term pregnant lady who died in a road accident has gone on to donate her organs to save the lives of four others in a heartbreaking yet inspirational tale.

On January 20, the 38-week pregnant woman and her husband were driving in a pillion on a two-wheeler when they were involved in a horrific accident in Ahmednagar. She suffered serious brain injuries and was taken to a private facility in Kharadi. A healthy baby boy was delivered through a C-section following an emergency craniotomy performed by the medical team. Despite extensive efforts, her condition deteriorated, and she was declared brainstem dead.

Holding on to hope, her family shifted her to DPU Super Specialty Hospital in Pimpri Chinchwad, where the diagnosis was confirmed. On January 23, after counselling, her grieving husband and father made the courageous decision to donate her organs.

Dr. Vrishali Patil of DPU Hospital called the act "extraordinary courage and compassion." Her kidney and liver were transplanted into patients at DPU Hospital, and the other kidney was allocated from the common pool. Her corneas were donated to the hospital's eye bank. The newborn, weighing 2.9 kg, is in stable condition and recovering well at home under medical guidance.

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