

*Interview***Transplant Coordinators' Training Conducted by ZTCC, Pune****Arati Gokhale**

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The Zonal Transplant Coordination Centre (ZTCC), Pune organized its 10th Transplant Coordinators' Training Program at KEM Hospital, Pune, in association with ROTTO/SOTTO West (Mumbai), under the aegis of NOTTO. Held from 23rd to 27th June 2025, the program aimed to equip participants with practical knowledge and updated guidelines to streamline and strengthen the organ donation and transplantation process. Participants from multiple states attended, facilitating the exchange of experiences and best practices. The event commenced with the official release of a comprehensive "Transplant Coordinator Manual," designed as a valuable reference guide for upcoming coordinators.

The training covered key topics including:

- Introduction to organ donation
- The Transplantation of Human Organs Act, Rules and Amendments
- Roles and functions of NOTTO, ROTTO, SOTTO and ZTCC
- Brain death diagnosis and declaration

Further sessions focused on donor identification and maintenance, legal aspects in medico-legal cases (MLC), family counseling, documentation, and organ sharing and allocation protocols. Specialized lectures explored transplant outcomes in kidney, liver, heart, and lung transplants, along with emerging areas such as Donation after Cardiac Death (DCD), hand and skin transplantation, eye donation, and body

donation. Interactive elements like case studies, role plays, and a field visit provided participants with practical exposure. The program concluded with sessions on ethics, green corridor coordination, and a valedictory function, where each participant received a certificate and NOTTO ID, formally recognizing them as trained transplant coordinators.



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