

Tamil Nadu Records 109 Deceased Donations in First Five Months of 2025

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According to the Transplant Authority of Tamil Nadu (TRANSTAN), Tamil Nadu has again reigned its momentum in deceased organ donation with 109 donors in the first five months of 2025. Of the 109 donors so far this year, 47 donations are from government hospitals.

In 2024, the State of Tamil Nadu set a national record with 268 deceased donors - thereby facilitating the retrieval and transplant of over 1,500 organs and tissues, said Dr. N. Gopalakrishnan, TRANSTAN's Member Secretary. Though the majority of donors have suffered brain death due to road accidents, there is a growing focus on donations following medical causes like intracranial bleeding.

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Though the state's deceased donation rate has been increasing over the years, long waiting lists - particularly for kidneys - remain a significant concern. To support the awareness campaign, TRANSTAN launched a student charter at Madras Medical College, aiming to create young organ donation ambassadors, early in their career journey. "Organ donation is a collective responsibility. Everyone in the society has a role to play," Dr. Gopalakrishnan said.

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