



# Delhi Medical Council

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DMC/14/2/Comp.170/2006/20816-20818

16<sup>th</sup> February, 2006

Shri Gopal Mehandru  
E-529, Greater Kailash Part-II,  
New Delhi – 110 048

Complainant

Vs.

- 1) Dr. S.S. Arora  
Thorough Medical Superintendent  
Batra Hospital & Medical Research Centre  
1, Tuglakabad Institutional Area,  
Mehrauli Badarpur Road,  
New Delhi – 110 062

Respondents

- 2) Medical Superintendent  
Batra Hospital & Medical Research Centre  
1, Tuglakabad Institutional Area,  
Mehrauli Badarpur Road,  
New Delhi – 110 062

## ORDER

The Delhi Medical Council examined a complaint of Shri Gopal Mehandru, alleging medical negligence on the part of the respondents 1 to 2, in the treatment administered to the complainant's mother, late Pushpa (Admission No. 2469172, D.O.A.- 13.9.2004) at Batra Hospital & Medical Research Centre (referred hereinafter as the said Hospital), resulting in her death on 16.9.2004. The Delhi Medical Council perused the complaint, reply of Dr. S.S. Arora and medical records of Batra Hospital & Medical Research Centre. The following were heard in person :-

1. Shri Gopal Mehandru
2. Dr. S.S. Arora
3. Dr. M. Sharma, Medical Superintendent, Batra Hospital

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Briefly stated the facts of the case are that the patient late Pushpa Mahendru (referred hereinafter as the patient) with complaints of abdominal pain, vomiting and history of CBD stenting 5-6 years back was admitted at the said Hospital on 13.9.2004. The patient was put on Antibiotics and was scheduled for MRCP. On the night of 15.9.2004 the patient had a fall. On examination, she was found to have low blood pressure and high pulse rate. She was shifted to MICU as she developed gasping respiration and hypotension. The ABG revealed severe mixed acidosis. She was intubated, ventilated and put on vasopressin support. The patient continued to remain critical. The ECHO revealed 66% ejection fraction with poor echowindow. Probable diagnosis of septic shock; possibly ascending cholangitis from infected CBD stent was made and she was managed accordingly, the patient had cardio-respiratory arrest from which she could not be revived despite all resuscitative measures and was declared dead at 2.20 am on 16.9.2004.

The complainant alleges that the required investigations and treatment were not carried out in time in respect of the patient. This allegation was denied by the respondent. It is stated by the respondent that on 13.9.2004 after admission, the patient was shifted to the ward, her investigations were planned and blood samples were sent. She was put on IV fluids and Inj. Tramazac and Inj. Emset were started. Subsequently her condition, the test reports and investigations were monitored regularly throughout her admission. It is observed that the assertions of the respondent are corroborated by the medical records of the said Hospital.

It is also observed that neither the patient nor her relatives were able to give or provide adequate information about the CBD stenting which was carried out on the patient 5-6 years back. The lack of information in this regard, made it difficult, under the circumstances, for the respondents to get a complete and clear picture of the patient's condition.

In view of the above, it is the decision of the Delhi Medical Council that no medical negligence can be attributed on the part of Respondent 1 & 2 in the treatment administered to the patient. Complaint stands disposed.

By the order of and in the name of  
Delhi Medical Council

  
(Dr. S.K. Khattri)  
Secretary

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- 1) Shri Gopal Mehandru, E-529, Greater Kailash Part-II, New Delhi - 110 048
- 2) Dr. S.S. Arora, Thorough Medical Superintendent, Batra Hospital & Medical Research Centre, 1, Tuglakabad Institutional Area, Mehrauli Badarpur Road, New Delhi - 110 062
- 3) Medical Superintendent, Batra Hospital & Medical Research Centre, 1, Tuglakabad Institutional Area, Mehrauli Badarpur Road, New Delhi - 110 062



(Dr. S.K. Khattri)  
Secretary

ORDER

The Delhi Medical Council has received a complaint of Shri Gopal Mehandru, alleging medical negligence on the part of the respondents 1 & 2, in the treatment administered to the complainant's mother, Mrs. Padma Chatterjee, Reg. No. 244732, D.O.A. 134304 at Batra Hospital & Medical Research Centre (located at 1, Tuglakabad Institutional Area, New Delhi) during her stay on 14.3.2004. The Delhi Medical Council perused the complaint, reply of Dr. S.S. Arora and medical records of Batra Hospital & Medical Research Centre. The following were found in the records:-

1. Shri Gopal Mehandru

2. Dr. S.S. Arora

3. Dr. M. Sharma, Medical Superintendent, Batra Hospital