

## Fortis Hospitals conducts first kidney transplant in association with Chirayu Hospital

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**The 38 years old recipient got kidney from his wife in Karnataka's Kalaburagi district**



Fortis Hospitals, Bangalore along with Chirayu Hospital conducted first ever kidney transplant in Kalaburagi, part of Hyderabad-Karnataka border.

The team of doctors was led by Dr Mohan Keshavamurthy, Director- Urology, Uro oncology, Andrology, Transplant & Robotic surgery, Fortis Hospitals, Bangalore.

The 38-year-old patient was suffering from chronic renal failure and was on hemodialysis. He was in urgent need for a kidney transplant when his wife promptly came forward to donate her kidney.

Dr Mohan Keshavamurthy said, "With increasing life expectancy and prevalence of diabetes, hypertension and unhealthy lifestyle, there has been a significant increase in chronic kidney diseases in India. There is a huge need for specialized Uro-Nephro facility with the ability to perform kidney transplant in remote areas of the country for patients with renal failure. The availability of appropriate treatment and care at the doorstep in the middle of Hyderabad- Karnataka region catering to 15 million citizens which was hitherto unavailable, will help the patients to get back to productive life at minimal distance, instead of traveling to far-off metro cities for medical treatment."

The Fortis Urology team comprises of 18 qualified urologists, performing over 10,000 surgeries, in a 360 compass in a year. The team covers over 15 locations in Karnataka and surrounding states and 7 locations in Asia and Africa.

Dr Manjunath Doshetty, Nephrologist,MD,Chirayu Hospital, said, "We are glad that we have an association with Fortis Hospital Bengaluru , which has enabled us to provide a quaternary facility like kidney transplantation at doorstep to the people of Kalaburagi. Having a specialized medical clinic in the segment is helping patients get access to the right treatment within their city. Kidney transplantation is the best option for patients with permanent kidney failure in all terms including longevity, quality of life, productivity and costs. In continuation to the best of our initiatives, we have also inaugurated exclusive transplant ICU at the hospital today to handle the critical transplant patient at our center and also look forward to promote deceased donor transplantation in the region."

The Chirayu Nephrology- Critical care team comprises of two Nephrologists, six Intensivists and three counsellors. The team has a satellite centre at Bidar and caters to more than 1000 Dialysis session per month.