

Case Study- master Tejas Ahire ( Congenital Heart Surgery in 2019)

Little Hearts master Tejas Ahire ( 9 years) was born with congenital heart disease (Single Ventricle Pulmonary Stenosis, S/p Glenn Shunt). He is living with his parents and grandparents in Ratanpura, District Dhule, State Maharashtra.

His father Gyandev is working as small time temporary driver earning a meagre amount of Rs. 60 to Rs.100 per day . Tejas was not keeping well. He would get tired very often, complained of pain in heart and had slow weight gain. They went to the paediatric heart camp at District Hospital which was organised by Wockhardt Hospital, Mumbai. He was diagnosed with a very complex cardiac defect. The doctor said he would need Trans Catheter Fontan Completion Surgery for survival. Then they came to Wockhardt Hospital, South Mumbai. The hospital gave an estimate of Rs. 2,50,000 for the surgery which was quite a huge amount for Gyandev to pay.

All the medical reports of Tejas were checked and documents such as his Birth Certificate, residence proof ( ration card, Aadhar card) and income proof of father were checked and verified.

The Paediatric Cardiologist at Wockhardt Hospital, Dr. Manish Chokhandre has stated that Tejas has undergone a novel surgical and Transcatheter technique. This hospital is probably the first hospital in the entire Western India to have successfully performed the complex procedure which requires two surgeries. The surgery was performed in such a way that the second stage of the surgery could be performed in cathlab without the need for reoperation or opening the chest again.

This kind of procedure provides various advantage to the patient - No need for opening the chest surgically, early recovery, reducing hospital stay, less complications, no post procedure pain and whole stay becomes short and also cost effective.

The Hans Foundation gave a generous fund of Rs. 1,50,000 towards the heart surgery of Tejas which is of great relief for the family of Tejas. The balance amount of surgery cost was arranged through other generous donations.

Tejas was admitted in the hospital on 24/01/2019. The surgery was successfully done on 01/02/2019 and he was discharged on 08/02/2019 in good condition with stable haemodynamic parameters. He is now well. Tejas and his family are very grateful to The Hans Foundation for the generous and noble help and have also thanked the Wockhardt Hospital and Wockhardt Foundation for the care taken during surgery and big help. Grandfather of Tejas , “My grandson has got a new life with less pain and I am very thankful to doctors and their team.”



