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**APPEAL TO PROMOTE ORGAN & TISSUE DONATION AND REGISTER  
PLEDGES OF CITIZENS IN THIS REGARD**

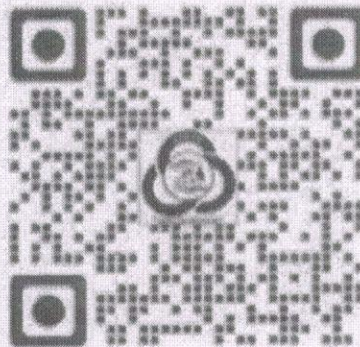
Dear colleague,

As you may be aware, there is huge shortage of Organs available, as compared to the number of patients who require Organ transplants in our country resulting in a wide gap between demand and supply of organs.

A donor after Brain Stem Death, can donate up to 8 vital organs namely 2 Kidneys, Liver (which sometimes can be split for giving to two patients), Heart, 2 Lungs, Pancreas and Small intestine & many tissues like Cornea (Eye), Bone, Skin, Heart valves etc. Thus, one such donor can save up to 8 to 9 lives through organ donation and improve the quality of life of many others through tissue donation. Further, a donor after natural death can also donate tissues like Cornea, Bone, Skin, Blood vessels etc. Organ Donation is best possible after certification of Brain stem death, before the heart stops.

Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has also highlighted the importance of organ donation in his Mann Ki Baat program.

Anyone of the age 18 years and above can pledge for Organ donation by visiting NOTTO [web-portal notto.abdm.gov.in](http://web-portal.notto.abdm.gov.in) A 24x7 toll-free helpline No. 1800114770 is functional for providing any guidance related to pledging process or for any information on organ donation. The aforesaid web portal can also be accessed through scanning the QR Code as depicted here: -



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It is requested to disseminate the information widely so as to engage with all stakeholders to get associated with the noble cause of Organ Donation for the sake of humanity and inspire their families, friends and fellow citizens to donate organs and tissues after death.

I request for your kind support for this national endeavor to promote organ donation for saving lives of fellow human beings suffering from organ failure.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,



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To

1. The Principals/The Dean of Medical Colleges, All States/UTs
2. The Director, All AIIMS