"Body Donation Honor by Students" 31st October 2015 at AIIMS Raipur"

<u>AIIMS Raipur</u> has very well and successfully organised "Body Donation Honor by Students" on 31st October 2015 between 10am to 1pm in the Department of Anatomy.

More than 150 people other than faculty members and students had attended the program. Program started in a very impressive and harmonious condition with lamp lightening and Maa-Saraswati's vandana by students. Chief guest Professor Dr Nitin M Nagarkar Director of AIIMS Raipur, Dr. Ajay Dani Medical Superintendent and Dr. D. K. Sharma HOD Anatomy, Directors of the NGOs Badhte Kadam Raipur and Rajnandgaon, Pranam Sanstha Durg, Gurukul Ashrum Nandanvan and Vriddhashrum Mana Raipur, Professors and faculty members of other departments were present. Dr. Nitin M Nagarkar threw light on the significance of cadaver's dissection and said without human body dissection excellence in providing better healthcare and medical study cannot be maintained.

Dr Manisha Sinha and Dr Soumitra Trivedi informed about the various activities regarding body donation and its significance in medical education and research in Medical Science. Later Dr. Mrithunjay Rathore, Dr. AU Siddiqui, Dr. Bikash Satapathy assisted the program and students presented flowers to relatives of the 29 body donors in this institute and also to the 170 peoples for the body donation in favour of this Institute. Among the ledgers for body donation some important persons were Mr. Pilliwar (recently awarded by CM Dr. Raman Singh for Life time achievement award) and Dr. Hambarde Couple, Director Council of Science and Technology, Dr. Alok Shukla Professor in Education department etc. Students took oath towards paying respect to cadavers and treating them in respectful manner.

Finally Dr. D. K. Sharma in his presentation by slides informed the various aspects and activities going on related to Body donation in different parts of India and abroad. He pointed out about the history of anatomy and said that the trend of Body donation is in practice from the ancient time. He told about Shri Shankaracharya's belief in organ and body donation and about Maharshi Dadhichi who donated his body in life to defeat the Danavs in Devta-Danav Sangram. He said that cadavers are very important for the medical education in medical science to develop a doctor of good quality to provide an excellent health care to our society, our coming generation and our offspring. He has also informed that this type of body donation and memorial honor programs are the common and usual happenings in India and Foreign countries too.

Many people put their valuable and Impressive thoughts and suggestions regarding the betterment of Medical Education and queries related to the body donation procedure and after dissection outcome etc. were satisfactorily answered.

Program was very much appreciated by the gathering, press and media personnel and various Govt. and Non-Govt. Organisation's representatives.

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