



AMRI Hospitals Bhubaneswar successfully conducts the critical surgery of Post Burn Contracture on a 7 yr old girl Gifts the orphan a fresh start towards normal life

Bhubaneswar, 11th Nov, 2015: AMRI Hospitals, Bhubaneswar, recently conducted a successful surgery of a critical case of Post Burn Contracture on an orphan child of 7 years. Post Burn Contracture is a serious but common complication in most of the severe burn cases, which can have a disabling effect on the daily quality of a victim's life.

The patient, **RituTappo** aged about 7 years had sustained about 60% burn four years ago in a fire accident. The fire accident led to the little girl suffering a severe deformity on the right side of her face and neck due to which her arm pit, shoulder and neck got connected thus restricting movement of her head. Unfortunately, the child was abandoned by her family after the incident and she ended up begging on the streets of Rourkela until she was rescued by the representatives of **Karuna Prem**, an NGO. The NGO finally approached AMRI for this critical surgery after they failed to find any affordable provision in any hospitals in Bhubaneswar to get this operation and proper treatment undertaken for the child. **Dr. Biswajit Mishra, MS (Gen Surg) MCh (Plastic Surgery) Fellowship – Reconstructive Microsurgery** and the management of AMRI Hospitals, Bhubaneswar whole heartedly assured to support & help the child in the best possible way. After a series of discussions with **Dr. Salil Kumar Mohanty, VP, AMRI Hospitals** and other senior management representatives regarding finances and other related affairs, the surgery was undertaken successfully on 18th November, 2015.

Though not a rare operation, but the surgery poses a major medical criticality since the neck area houses a vital concentration of major blood vessels, nerves and crucial structures of the body. Dr. Biswajit Mishra evaluated the patient and confirmed that it was a case of post-burn contracture and subsequently conducted the surgery successfully. The surgery was conducted in 2 stages in the same sitting. Releasing contracture, safeguarding the vital structure and second stage covering the defect created by first stage with split skin graft from the patient's thigh area.

“The surgery turned out to be very successful and the patient is now able to move her head, rotate her shoulder and resume her day to day activities. As a post-surgery follow up procedure, dressings and physiotherapy are being undertaken at regular intervals,” said **Dr. Biswajit Mishra, MS (Gen Surg) MCh (Plastic Surgery) Fellowship – Reconstructive Microsurgery.**



The entire cost of the operation was jointly borne by Emami Foundation and Mr. Mihir Narayan Burmon, a social worker. “Such a noble gesture has helped Ritu Tappo get rid of the deformity and has also helped her regain the lost self-image and confidence, said **Dr. Salil Kumar Mohanty, VP, AMRI Hospitals, Bhubaneswar.**

Ms. Sangeeta Budhiraja of Karuna Prem thanked the entire team of AMRI Hospitals, Bhubaneswar for their support in treating the child. She said, “After getting disheartening response from various hospitals across the city, I was immensely impressed by the positive response from AMRI Hospitals, Bhubaneswar. The operation gave the child a new life. I also realized that AMRI not only talks about humanity but also believes and works towards it. I hope and look forward to more such collaborations in future where we can contribute to the society in a concrete way.” She also extended her thanks to Dr Biswajit Mishra, AMRI Hospitals and Emami Group for bringing back normalcy to little Ritu Tappo’s life.

About AMRI Hospitals Ltd

AMRI Hospitals, a multi-specialty healthcare facility in Eastern India with specialization in Oncology, Neuro Sciences, Cardiac Sciences, Orthopedics, Emergency & Trauma care, Gynecology & Childcare is the largest player in private sector with its existing strength of around 1000 beds. With its state-of-the-art equipment and modern facilities, AMRI is ensuring that people from Eastern India are provided affordable high quality medical care in the region, so that patients need not travel to other parts of the country for medical treatment. Capacity expansion is also underway at AMRI for additional beds in its existing facilities in Kolkata. A 400 bedded state-of-the art super-specialty hospital has recently become operational in Bhubaneswar. AMRI Hospitals will soon be setting up a new 400 bedded facility in West Bengal with an investment of Rs.500 crs. The Group is committed to serve the people of Eastern India and has plans to add another 600-700 beds in the next 3-4 years.

About Karuna Prem

Karuna Prem has been working for the poorest of the poor sections of the society for last 20 years. Besides their regular program, they in their Leprosy Cure Mission are associated with Mother Teresa Homes at Midnapore (West Bengal), Janla (Odisha), Seemapuri and NirmalHriday (Delhi and Surat) where surgeries are done on regular basis.

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