



**MESSAGE FROM VC DESK  
ON OCCASION OF ORGAN DONATION DAY**

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Greetings to all on the occasion of 11<sup>th</sup> Organ Donation Day 2020. In the year 2000, the government of India declared 13<sup>th</sup> August as the Organ Donation Day. Why was ‘Organ Donation Day’ declared? The interesting fact about this could be the need of the day and the need of the nation. Like several “DAYS” are declared to commemorate special events for great cause, the need to focus on the treatment of patients dying of end organ failure arose in our country. The Health system of the country rose to the occasion of solving problems of millions of people suffering from different diseases and ultimately succumbing to them because there were limited or no therapeutic options available to save such suffering patients. Unfortunately majority of them hailed from economically deprived or compensated status. One of the well-established therapeutic options is replacement of failed organ/ tissue from healthy human body either living or dead due to several reasons where the healthy organs/ tissues could be utilized to save a life and nurture a family. Thus the ‘Organ Donation Day’ was born.

We as a nation have come a long way in organ/ tissue transplantation to save the lives of suffering patients. The founder Director of our University and IKDRC-ITS, late Prof. H.L. Trivedi had envisioned the creation of a university which will address these issues. Hence GUTS was established with his vision and whole hearted support of the government of Gujarat on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015.

Let us all try to achieve the best by meeting the main goal of our research and work; give the gift of a good healthy life after excellent transplantation with minimum or no medications so that the individual, and the family and hence the society lives a healthy and happy life.

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