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## Although dead, Sumit lives on in six other bodies

### 20-year-old student's corneas, kidneys, heart valves and bones transplanted

Pursuing his Chartered Accountancy course, was declared 'brain-dead' at ORBO (Organ Retrieval Banking Organisation) at AIIMS after he had a head-on collision with a railway pillar while travelling in a local train, at Ghaziabad junction on February 3

His father's family friend admitted Sumit to Yashoda Hospital in Ghaziabad, but the injury had proved fatal.

"The doctors who attended on him said that the patient would not react to any treatment as his brain was not functioning. Sunny also told me of his brother's last wish, and it took us a full day to overcome the pain and trauma and think a step ahead," Virendra Jain, Sumit's father told *HT from Murshidabad (West Bengal)*.

"When the family agreed for organ donation, I referred him to ORBO for certifying this case and completion of legal formalities," said Dr. Atul Gupta, a senior neurosurgeon at Yashoda Hospital.

"Their resolve was further strengthened as I told them of Sumit's wish regarding organ donation," said Sunny Jain. Both brothers had come to do CA from West Bengal.

"The operation was conducted on February 6, after which Sumit's organs gave a new lease

of life to at least six persons," Sunny told *Hindustan Times*.

The official at ORBO were also appreciative of the family's willingness to donate their son's organs. "They quite readily agreed for the donation. You don't find such understanding families often. It should send a positive message across, and motivate others to follow suit," said Dr. Arti Vij, Chief of ORBO.

Two corneas, kidneys, heart valves and bones were transplanted to at least six people, who were in need. All the transplants were successful.

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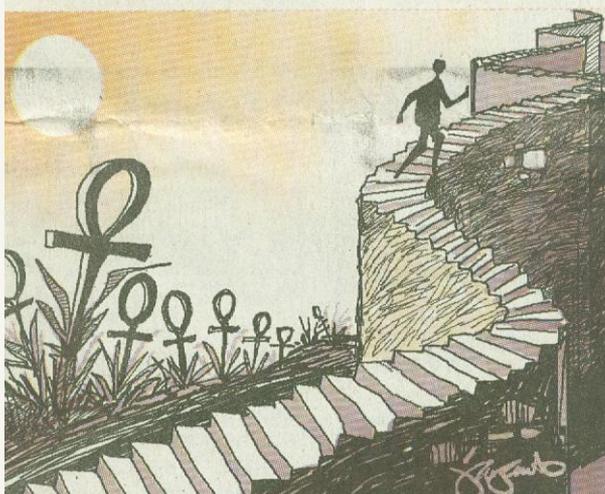


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TWENTY-YEAR-OLD Sumit Jain never knew that the words he spoke to his elder brother a month back would give a new lease of life to atleast six people waiting for organ transplant.

"Bhaiya, I would like to donate my organs some day. If I die, please donate all my organs, not some but all of them, to others who need them," Sunny Jain recalled his brother's words.