

Case Study

Few children were born with a rare disease. “HYDROCEPHELUS” is one of the most critical medical deformities which is too tough to diagnose as well as cure. Last year Purulia CHILDLINE dealt with such kind of two cases of Hydrocephalus. It was our first experience, we were just unfamiliar about that rare disease. These two rare medical case carrying two different stories or we can say two different family circumstances or can say two different maternity.

In the month of July 2015 we got an information from Kotshila PS that they rescued a new born female child from a dustbin & her head was bigger than her body. Getting this information we reached there to receive the baby, here the BMOH of Kotshila informed us that the baby was suffering from rare disease namely Hydrocephalus and need immediate diagnosis & treatment. We immediately brought him to Purulia Sadar hospital and admit there. Here we came to know that 7 days back this baby was born here and last day his parents bring him to their home. We immediately collect the address of that couple and informed OC of Kotshila to find them out. One next day her parents came to our office with fearful manner, when we asked her father why he did this, he said when that baby was born his wife was socked and became senseless.



Doctor advice them they have to bring their baby to Kolkata for better treatment but they are illiterate and too poor to afford this. So they decided to through her away. They apologies their fault. Afterwards on 8th July as per the instruction of doctor we admitted her at Bankura hospital. During diagnosis no improvement was shown, doctor said they have no enough infrastructure to deal with such kind of disease. They refer her to Kolkata NRS hospital. On 23rd July we brought her to Kolkata NRS along with her father. But unfortunately on 8th August she was died.

Hydrocephalus is a condition that occurs when fluid builds up in the skull and causes the brain to swell. The name means “water on the brain. Treatment is often a tube (shunt) inserted surgically into a ventricle to drain excess fluid.



Another one was reported through an ICDS worker, she informed us about Md Ashu who was a 7months male baby whose head was almost 6.5 kgs. When we went there and met him we was socked, he was more critical than the earlier one. But we saw his mother was did every possible services for his betterment always pray god for his son. Learnt from our last experience we decided to diagnose him at Ranchi RIMS because from our source we came to know that RIMS dealt this kind of hydrocephalus case earlier. With the support of

Ranchi CHILDLINE we admitted him at Ranchi on 9th August 2015. Within a week his first operation was successfully done, a tube inserted into his head to drain his excess fluid. But this disease effect your immune system the patient become famished day by day. Due to that unfortunately we lost Ashu on 13th August.