eft on ventilator support after a serious tragedy, his parents are struggling today to gather INR 11,00,000.00, the amount needed to give him the required care.

With his father working as a daily wage laborer, collecting this amount quickly seems impossible.



"My elder child, Harikrishna, is the kindest soul I have ever known. He always keeps complaining about how I work day and night, and thus, usually comes home from school and helps me with my daily tasks.

But on 5th February, something felt off when he went straight to sleep without saying a word. It was only 6 o'clock, and at first, I thought he was just tired.

When he wouldn't wake up, I insisted, and as soon as he did, he started vomiting," explained Madhavi.

Clueless and terrified, Harikrishna's parents rushed him to the local doctor, who prescribed some medicines. **Hoping for a quick recovery, the family decided to return home.** 

However, things did not just stop there.



"That night, after we returned home, he began uncontrollable vomiting. Witnessing the pain in his eyes shattered my heart," sobbed Madhavi.

Seeking advice from relatives, they admitted him to a bigger hospital in Hyderabad, where **doctors immediately placed him on ventilator support.** 

Following numerous tests, doctors attributed the abdominal trauma to an incident at school, resulting in a severe stomach injury - possibly a hole in the small intestine with an abdominal infection.

"Overwhelmed by the news, all I could do was plead with the doctors to save my child."



Harikrishna urgently needed medical attention, and the doctors recommended an emergency surgery called laparotomy. This procedure aims to drain fluid and repair the hole in the stomach.

"Following the surgery, the doctors informed us that he requires extended care in the ICU, assistance from a ventilator, TPN, and blood products as needed.

They also indicated that he has to stay in the hospital for about 2 - 4 weeks, with the estimated cost for his treatment around INR 1,20,00,000.00.

Hearing this, we couldn't help but shed tears. How will we manage such a huge amount of money?" explained Madhavi.



"My husband's labor work earnings barely cover our family's needs. At times, when work is scarce, we even skip meals.

Despite our difficulties, we made sure our children were getting the needed education and enrolled them in a government school. I don't understand what went wrong with my prayers, why does my son have to suffer so much?" sighed Madhavi.

With no savings, relying entirely on loans, and settling in a rented house, the family has already spent Rs. 10 lakhs on Harikrishna. They now face the burden of high-interest loans and have zero resources for their child's future treatments.



"We've spent beyond our means, wondering how to pay off these loans. It breaks our hearts to see him suffer at such a young age.

Please help my child recover! Be a part of Harikrishna's recovery journey by supporting his treatment now."

The specifics of this case have been verified by the medical team at the concerned hospital. For any clarification on the treatment or associated costs, contact the campaign organizer or the medical team.



Date: 10.02.2024 Hyderabad

## TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to inform you that Master Hari Krishna s/o C Somaiah 11years old male adolescent was brought to this hospital on 07.02.2024 at 12.46am with alleged history of trauma to abdomen (happened at Govt. school while playing on 05.02.2024 at around 5pm) followed which child developed abdominal pain, multiple episodes of vomiting and altered sensorium since afternoon on day of admission. At the time of admission child was in shock with encephalopathy. Child started on mechanical ventilation, inotropic support through central line, IV Antibiotics and arterial line was placed for invasive hemodynamic monitoring. CECT Abdomen showed traumatic bowel perforation likely small bowel perforation with peritonitis. In view of bowel perforation, surgical opinion was taken and child was posted for emergency laparotomy. Laparotomy with drainage of fluid and repair of perforation was done on 07/2/2024 at 6.30pm. Current working diagnosis is Blunt trauma abdomen with hollow viscus perforation with perforation peritonitis s/p explorative laparotomy and perforation repair with severe sepsis and MODS and currently child is on mechanical ventilation, multiple vasoactive support through central venous catheter (right IJV), invasive hemodynamic monitoring, neuroprotective care, IV fluids and IV antibiotics. Child requires prolonged ICU care, ventilatory support, TPN, blood products as and when required. Patient requires approximately 2 - 4 weeks of hospital stay and estimated cost of treatment approximately between 10-12 lakhs.

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