

MB was twenty five years old and was a resident of Banjhi village of Godda district. This was MB's fifth pregnancy (Three of her children survives her). She had no problems during her nine months pregnancy and received two TT injections. She had also gone for two ANCs in private clinic at Poreyahat. At about 6 pm on 26.08.13 MB had labour pains and was taken to CHC Poreyhat in Mamta Wahan where abnormal presentation (hand) was reported. MB was further referred to Sadar Hospital, Godda. There she was put under IV and injections were administered. The family was told that by 2 or 3 am, delivery will take place and ANM's demanded and took Rs 400. A number of medicines and IV's were administered amounting to Rs 1500 (being purchased by the family from nearby shop). But when no progress was observed till 6 am on 27.08.13, MB was referred to Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College and Hospital at Bhagalpur (Bihar) which was 70 km away. On asking about the reasons for MB's referral and it was also told that if blood would required her husband could donate or arranged it from private facility. The hospital authority stated that - there was no blood transfusion or C section possibility in Sadar Hospital and no one was ready to take the risk.

They reached Bhagalpur by 10 am and then she was put in IV and preparations for operation begun. Her husband was asked to bring a unit of blood; her husband donated a unit at the blood bank and MB was transfused. A dead boy was delivered post operation. MB was put in oxygen breather and KA was asked to get another unit of blood; by the time he returned after donating 200 ml. of blood further at the blood bank, MB had expired around 6.10 pm. The family spend Rs 7000 on medicines at the hospital and Rs. 400 was further taken by the nurses on duty.

The family had to hire a vehicle to bring back MB's body paying Rs 2700. The whole village contributed in the same. MB's family had to take loans and advances to manage the total expenses of Rs 12,000.