



## THE LITTLE VANQUISHER

### BABY OF JYOTI, A BORN FIGHTER

**April 2023, beginning of summer tide brought along with it a new chapter in the lives of Konar family. Their long awaited dream and the answer to their prayers and efforts bloomed into the womb of Mrs. Jyoti Konar.**

**It was only 26 weeks into the gestation journey when the world turned upside down for the Konars, as Mrs. Jyoti was admitted to Jupiter Hospital on 3 rd October 2023, in view of Pre eclampsia with swelling over her face and breathlessness. The doctors decided to do a C-section and take the baby out considering the risk to both mother and foetus.**

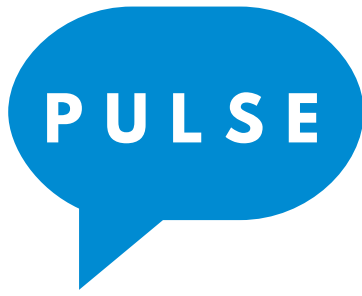
It was at 9:55 pm when the fighter was born, a little princess weighing 628 grams. Silence boomed in within the labour OT as the princess did not cry immediately on birth. She was limp and in brady cardia. The fight to thrive had begun with Bag Mask ventilation followed by intubation and rushed to the NICU. She was incubated comfortably in her cocoon with all the required care and supports. The battle included series of investigations, parenteral nutrition and medications. An umbilical venous catheter was secured, followed by a PICC line. There were many times the little angel became tired and had multiple episodes of desaturation and reduced heart rate.

She had to be extubated and reintubated thrice in her journey.

Gradually things seemed to improve and after 15 days of critical monitoring she was switched to non- invasive ventilation. She developed pressure injury on the nose bridge due to non-invasive ventilation, but that was soon healed using special dressing material as per the advice of doctor.

#### HER CHALLENGES FOLLOWED ONE AFTER THE OTHER:

- On 19 th October, ROP screening was done, which showed oedematous cornea after which subsequent screening showed hazy macula that likely suggested a Laser surgery but latter was not required
- In the beginning of November she was reintubated in view of large PDA and posted for surgery on 18 th of November for PDA closure which was uneventful
- 20th of November she had an episode of convulsion, which demanded Cardio pulmonary resuscitation along with Inj. Adrenaline to stabilize her, bringing her back to life.
- The beginning of December brought in another challenge as she started showing signs of sepsis and her culture came positive with Enterobacter cocci. She was started on antibiotics thereafter. She also had to undergo inguinal hernia surgery.



Despite of all the struggles and challenges, the New year brought in a ray of hope as she started showing signs of improvement She was now active, tolerated oral feeds, responded to voice and sounds around her and became fond of cuddles and love. She was given Kangaroo mother care which was the happiest site to see, the most awaited moment for a mother to hold her little one in her arms. She lay close to her mother's warmth, comfortably listening to the songs her mother sang for her. 16th February 2024 was the victorious day as the fighter had finally won the 4 months battle between life and death. She was discharged and made way towards home in the arms of her parents.



**THE WARRIORS: NICU TEAM WITH THE FIGHTER AND HER FAMILY**

**“WHILE UPS AND DOWNS ARE A PART OF LIFE, NAVIGATING THROUGH IT WITH STRENGTH AND COURAGE IS THE BEAUTY OF LIFE.”**

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