



# National Organ Donation Day

## Why in News

**National Organ Donation Day** was celebrated on **27<sup>th</sup> November** by the **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare**.

## Key Points

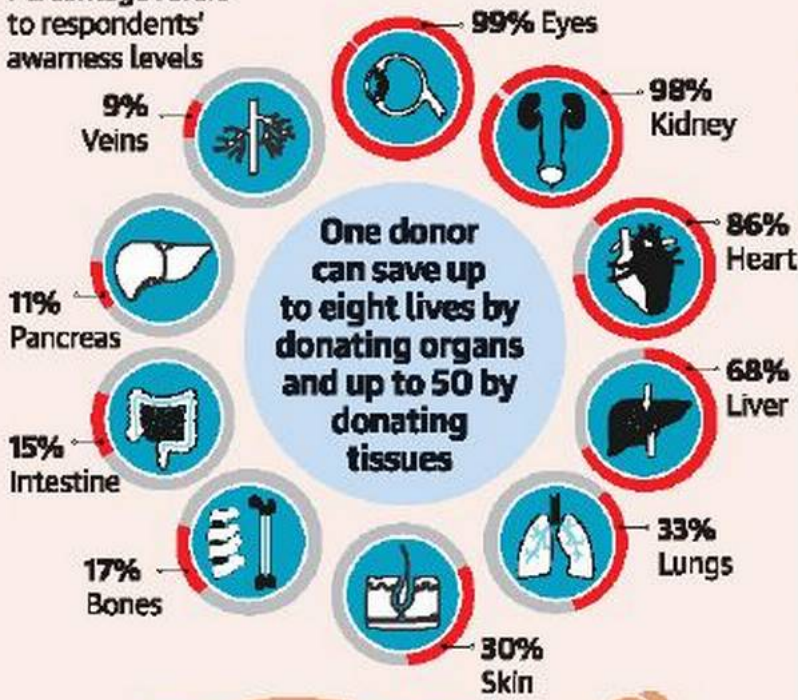
- **National Organ Transplant Programme (NOTP)**
  - **Provides financial grants for** establishing ROTTOs, SOTTOs, developing new and upgrading existing retrieval and transplant centres.
- **Organ Donation Institutional Set up:**
  - The **National Organ & Tissue Transplant Organisation** (NOTTO), the **Regional Organ & Tissue Transplant Organisations** (ROTO) at regional level and the **State Organ & Tissue Transplant Organisations** (SOTTO) at state level.
- **State of Organ Donation in India:**
  - India **ranked third** in the world as per **WHO Global Observatory on Donation and Transplantation** (GODT) in terms of organ donation.

## Transplantation of Human Organs Act, 1994

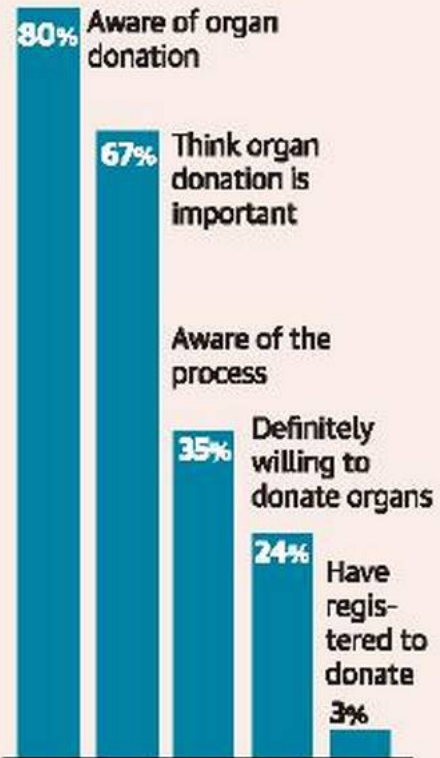
- Transplantation of Human Organs Act was passed in 1994 and subsequently amended in 2011 thus bringing in form **Transplantation of Human Organs (Amendment) Act 2011**.
- It provides various regulations for the removal of human organs and its storage.
- It also regulates the transplantation of human organs for **therapeutic purposes** and for the **prevention of commercial dealings** in human organs.
- **Main Provisions**
  - The act recognises brain death identified as a form of the death process and defines criteria for brain death.
  - It provides **regulatory and advisory bodies for monitoring transplantation activity**.
  - It also provides for **maintenance of a registry of donors and recipients** of human organs and tissues.

## Which organs can be donated?

Percentage refers to respondents' awareness levels



## Landscape of organ donation in India



Follow this process to pledge your organs

Visit NOTTO website and create an ID

Fill out the digital form and submit

On acceptance, you will receive an email notice

Create your donor card

## Way Forward

- Initiatives such as **Indian Organ Donation Day** helps **promote awareness and recognize the selfless contribution** made by deceased donors to healthcare and mankind re-instill our faith in humanity.

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