

## **Delhi Medical Council**

368, 3rd Floor, Pathology Block, Maulana Azad Medical College, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002

DMC/14/2/Comp. 265/2006/26605 to26609

27th November, 2006

Smt. Ram Katori C-60,Anoop Nagar, Bindapur Road, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi Complainant

Vs.

Dr. I.K. Mattoo G.D. Mattoo Eye Institute B-1/419, Janakpuri, New Delhi – 110058 Respondent

## ORDER

WHEREAS, a complaint of Smt. Ram Katori, forwarded by Directorate of Health Services, alleging medical negligence on the part of respondent, in the treatment to the complainant administered at G.D. Mattoo Eye Institute. The Delhi Medical Council perused the complaint, written statement of Dr. I.K. Mattoo, copy of medical record of G.D. Mattoo Eye Institute (referred hereinafter as the said Institute), AIIMS and Mata Chanan Devi Hospital, New Delhi. The following were heard in person:-

1) Smt. Ram Katori

Complainant

2) Shri Om Prakash

Son of the complainant

2) Dr. I.K. Mattoo

The complainant with a diagnosis of IMSC with high degenerative myopia Right Eye underwent stitchless small incision cataract extraction with TOI implantation on 26.8.2005 at the said Institute. The surgical procedure was performed by the respondent. As per the operation notes of the said Institute surgery was uneventful and the complainant was discharged on the same day with advise to follow up on 27.8.2005. In the early post-operative period (11<sup>th</sup> day i.e. 8.9.2005) retinal detachment was detected in the right eye; prognosis was explained and she was referred to a higher institution for further management. It is noted from the records of Dr. R.P. Centre for ophthalmic sciences, AIIMS that the axial length of right eye was more than that of left eye.

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It is observed that myopic eyes are known to be predisposed to retinal detachment. Cataract extraction in these eyes can further precipitate such a condition. Since the cataract surgery in this case was uneventful and the complication was detected within a reasonable post-operative period and adequate treatment was prescribed, no medical negligence can be attributed on the part of Dr. I.K. Mattoo in the treatment administered by him to the complainant.

It was, however, noted during the course of these proceedings that G.D. Mattoo Eye Institute is neither registered nor has applied for registration with Directorate of Health Services which makes availability of requisite infrastructure for such operations doubtful. Further no consent for the operation has been found in the records and Dr. I.K. Mattoo failed to submit it claiming the same to have been misplaced. Such an act reflects poor record keeping by the respondent. Warning is issued to Dr. I.K. Mattoo for failing in maintaining proper records. The matter may also be referred to Directorate of Health Services for appropriate action.

Complaint stands disposed.

By the order of and in the name of Delhi Medical Council

(Dr. R.N. Baishya) Secretary

## Copy to :-

- 1) Smt. Ram Katori, C-60, Anoop Nagar, Bindapur Road, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi 2665
- 2) Dr. I.K. Mattoo, G.D. Mattoo Eye Institute, B-1/419, Janakpuri, New Delhi 110058 26606
- 3) Director Health Services, Directorate of Health Services, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, F-17, -2664 Karkardooma, Delhi - 110032 - With reference to letter No. F.23(53)2005-06/NH/DHS/1723 dated 11.11.2006
- 4) Secretary, Medical Council of India, Pocket -14, Sector-8, Dwarka, New Delhi 110075 2 6608 for information and necessary action. Dr. I.K. Mattoo (Iqbal Krishen Mattoo) is registered with DMC under registration No. 19866 dated 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2003.
- 5) Registrar, Jammu & Kashmir Medical Council, C/o. Directorate of Health Services, Near MLA Hostel, Jammu for information and necessary action. Dr. I.K, Mattoo (Iqbal Krishen Mattoo) is registered with J&K Medical Council under registration No. 2674 dated 7th January, 1982

(Dr. R.N. Baishya) Secretary