

GUIDELINES FOR BODY DONATION

1. After death, a consent form should be prepared stating the willingness to hand over the body to the Anatomy Department of Govt Medical College Kottayam for study purposes.
2. The **consent form** should be prepared on a stamp paper of Rs.50.
3. An **attested photo** of the donor should be pasted on the stamp paper.
4. Clear signature or thumb impression of the donor should be recorded in the consent form.
5. In addition, the names and signatures of all legal heirs (husband, wife and children) of the donor must be recorded.
6. All the aforesaid signatures should be recorded in the presence of any **two witnesses**.
7. Witnesses should be properly informed regarding body donation by the donor.
8. Witnesses must record their name, address and signature.
9. A **copy** of this document should be signed by the HOD of the dept of Anatomy and kept with the donor.
10. Original should be given to the head of the department of anatomy through the principal of the medical college, either directly or by post.
11. A copy of the donor's **Aadhaar card** should be submitted along with above mentioned document.
12. After the death of the donor, the **death certificate** and a copy thereof should be brought along with the body by the concerned. The copy is meant to be kept in the anatomy section.
13. The death certificate must be issued from a registered medical practitioner.
14. Only bodies that have died of natural causes and are not damaged can be used for study purposes.
15. Bodies subjected to post-mortem or have undergone organ donation (other than eye donation) are not accepted.
16. Bodies affected by deadly diseases such as AIDS, hepatitis B, etc. will not be accepted.
17. It should be declared in the document that once the body is received by the Anatomy department the body will not be reclaimed by the relatives
18. The working hours of the Medical College and Anatomy department are from 9 am to 4 pm.
19. If the death occurs after 4 pm or on a holiday, keep the body in the medical college hospital mortuary or a mobile mortuary for preservation and then bring it to the anatomy department

A sample of the information to be recorded in the document

Consent Form

..... (District) (Taluk) (Country)
(Surname) of (father's name)Son/ Daughter
..... (Name) I submit this Affidavit before Principal of Kottayam
Medical College on (date)

It is hereby recorded in the presence of the witnesses shown below with the consent of all the heirs that I am fully inclined to hand over my body posthumously to Kottayam Medical College for the purpose of the medical education.

..... your signature/thumb impression

Name

Address.....

I(Son/Daughter/Wife/Mother/Brother/Sister) of
Mr./Mrs.....(deceased) hereby inform that I have no objection in donating
the body of the deceased to Anatomy department, Government Medical College Kottayam for
study purposes.

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(All legal heirs should sign this document with their name, address and mentioning their relation to the deceased)

Witnesses (Name, Address, Signature)

1.

2.

Place

Date