

Senior citizen survives mishap that forced liver into his chest

Mohammed Ibrahim was operated on Wednesday, six days after the accident

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A 76-year-old man, who suffered severe internal injuries in an accident, miraculously survived six days without medical attention. A city-based doctor operated on the senior citizen, who is a native of Jodhpur in Rajasthan, on Wednesday at Rajasthan Hospital.

The victim, Mohammed Ibrahim, was driving on his luna when he was hit by a bike and again by a car. Doctors reports in Rajasthan stated that his diaphragm — a muscular partition between the chest and abdominal cavities — was torn and the liver was forced upward. The liver



Mohammed Ibrahim is recovering after the operation

is located on the right side below the diaphragm.

His son, Mohammed Shamim, brought him to Ahmedabad. The liver surgeon ordered for X-rays that showed multiple fractures along with a torn diaphragm. Shamim said, "We thought the treatment in Rajasthan was not right and we wanted

a second opinion."

Liver surgeon Kaushal Anand said, "Ibrahim was brought to the hospital on October 18. The seriousness of the case shocked us as he was able to move around for several days after the accident. The X-ray and CT scan showed that his diaphragm was severely damaged and his liver was in the chest. During surgery, I noticed that the liver was pushing up against the lungs."

Sharma further said that Ibrahim's heart was also exposed. A cardiothoracic surgeon was called in to assist in the surgery. Dr Bhupesh Shah helped Sharma to repair the large tear. "The surgery went on for nearly four hours," said Sharma.