Smile Train Project

Free Treatment For
Under Privileged Children,
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Every ten minutes
one child is born with
Cleft Lip & Palate
in India

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Anticipating the birth of a child is an exciting and joyful event and the child is visualised as a perfect infant. The birth of child with cleft lip and/or palate or craniofacial anomalies is a shock to most families. Most of these children have normal mental development.

Although cleft baby is not a ‘perfect baby’, one should realize that this baby is no different from normal one except that in the early weeks of pregnancy, two parts of the face do not join completely. The exact cause of this anomaly is not known. In a few children there is family history of cleft. One should not believe that it is caused by exposure to eclipse or bad omen or due to certain food or fruits. If there is genetic predisposition, then it can get precipitated by vitamin and other nutritional deficiency in mother, any fever or medication in the first two months of pregnancy.

Craniofacial deformities are not so common, but they can be even more devastating. These children need complex reconstructive surgery of face, ear and other parts. We also have state-of-the-art tertiary level neonatal unit for children with major craniofacial anomalies needing critical care. These children need our combined efforts with parents to bring them to normal stream of society.

CLEFT TEAM
Feeding Problem & Child development (Paediatrician & Nutritionist)
Surgery of Cleft (Plastic Surgeon) Speech Problem (Speech Therapist)
Inheritance (Geneticist) Hearing Problem (ENT Surgeon)
Care of Teeth (Orthodontist, Pedodontist & Prosthodontist)

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