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## Humanity Beyond Borders

### A Real Story of Compassion from Utkal Welfare Trust

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#### A Cry for Help

On a quiet morning, our President **Mr. Amarendra Sahani** received a distressing call. A fellow Odia brother from **Khurusia village, Mahakalpada (Kendrapada district)** had tragically passed away while undergoing treatment at a private hospital near **Basavanagudi, Bangalore**.

The deceased's **elder son**, young and emotionally shattered, stood alone in an unfamiliar city — having just lost his father and unsure how to proceed. As if the grief wasn't enough, the hospital raised a **large bill** and refused to release the body until part of the amount was paid.

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#### Alone in a Strange City

With help from local contacts, the family somehow managed to arrange a **partial payment**, and the hospital finally released the body. But now came another overwhelming challenge:

#### **Where to keep the body? How to perform the final rites?**





Returning to Odisha was not an option due to financial constraints.

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#### Utkal Welfare Trust Steps In

Under the guidance of **Mr. Sahani**, our **Utkal Welfare Trust volunteers** sprang into action.

Here's how we supported the grieving family:



-  Rushed to the hospital early morning
-  Completed all required paperwork
-  Transferred the body to **cold storage at KIMS Hospital & Research Center**
-  Provided emotional support and guidance

At KIMS, we met the **younger son** and a few relatives. Their grief was evident. They had no idea where to go or how to conduct the rituals as per **Odia customs**.

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#### Last Rites with Dignity

We took **complete responsibility** for the final journey:

-  Arranged an ambulance
-  Procured flowers, ritual items, and wooden offerings

- 🙏 Coordinated the **entire ceremony as per Odia traditions**
- 🕯️ Conducted the cremation with sanctity at the **electric crematorium**

Our volunteers stood with the family — **not as helpers, but as their own.**

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### **Journey Home with His Father's Ashes**

Following the cremation, the **younger son** needed to return to Odisha for the **Asthi Visarjan** and remaining rituals.

Utkal Welfare Trust ensured:

- 🎫 Train ticket was arranged
  - 🧳 He traveled home with dignity, carrying his father's ashes
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### 💛 **More Than Just Help**

This is **not just a story** — it's a lived reality for many **Odia families in Bangalore.**

In moments of emergency, they face helplessness — emotionally, financially, and logistically.

This is **why Utkal Welfare Trust exists.**

Because help isn't just financial — it's **presence, care, and compassion.**

It's about **giving dignity to the departed** and **strength to the grieving.**

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### **Gratitude & Call to Action**

To **Mr. Amarendra Sahani** and every **UWT volunteer** who stepped up selflessly — **Thank you** for showing the world what **real humanity** looks like.

We urge all **Odia associations, organizations, and individuals** in Bangalore:

🤝 Let's unite.

👥 Let's be the support every Odia needs during a crisis.

❤️ Let's build a network based on empathy, not just donations.

Because the **greatest gift isn't money** — it's **time, care, and unity.**

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### **Utkal Welfare Trust**

**Because no Odia should ever feel alone outside Odisha.**

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