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Case Reference: SPG/2018/000501

Mr. Suprakash Jana..... Complainant

vs

Ramkrishna Mission SevaPratishthan..... Respondent/ Respondents

ORDER SHEET

Office Note	Order No.	Date	Order
	2.	03/03/2020	<p>This complaint would pertain to medical negligence. According to the complainant, his wife was admitted in the Clinical Establishment. During delivery, there was no complication. The patient was released in due course. However, the new born was infected with meconium aspiration syndrome causing Pneumonia and he was under treatment of around ten days.</p> <p>On the last occasion, we requested Dr. Apurba Ghosh, Director, Institute of Child Health to assist us by sharing his valued opinion on the basis of the medical records. We also requested Dr. Ghosh to be present today at the hearing. Dr. Ghosh has expressed his inability to be present because of his occupation. However, he has given his opinion that is extracted(supra).</p> <p>1. "As there was thick meconium aspirated by the baby, the</p>

clinicians started empirical antibiotic therapy anticipating early neonatal sepsis and quite justifiably stopped once negative blood culture report came.

- 2. The answer provided by the clinicians is self explanatory.*
- 3. The decision to administer O2 therapy was justified and pneumonia is always a close radiological differential diagnosis of meconium aspiration syndrome.*
- 4. Blood investigations were done and the baby was observed for any clinical deterioration. The baby was discharged in a clinically stable condition. So the question pertaining to the cause of fever spike two days before discharge is clinically insignificant.*
- 5. The x-ray plate in question has not been provided to me by your esteemed office. So I cannot make any inference on this explanation."*

The doctors present in the panel are ad-idem with Dr. Ghosh. We feel, no further interference is required for.

The complaint would also pertain to allegation of absence of the consultant during delivery. It appears from the medical records, the



Registrar on call, did the surgery in absence of the consultant that is permissible, according to doctors present in the panel. We do not find any scope to interfere on that score.

We dispose of the complaint accordingly.

Before parting with, we intend to record displeasure of one of our technical Members, Dr. Banerjee. According to him, the hospital should have been more cautious in attending the induction of labour to avoid complication that resulted in prolonged stay of the new born.

Sd/-

The Hon'ble Chairperson

Sd/-

Prof. (Dr.) Sukumar Mukherjee – Member

Sd/-

Prof. (Dr.) Makhan Lal Saha – Member

Sd/-

Prof. (Dr.) Madhusudan Banerjee – Member

Sd/-

Dr. Maitrayee Banerjee – Member

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