

# DOCTORS WINNING LIVES



## Heart stent saving life of a Diabetic patient

Mr. Micheal, a 55-year-old from Botswana was a known case of Hypertension, Diabetes Mellitus, Smoking, Alcoholic presented with complaints of gangrenous changes in right second toe. His CT scan showed Bilateral Superficial Femoral Occlusive Atheromatous Disease.

Peripheral Angiogram and Coronary Angiogram were performed at Wockhardt Hospital, North Mumbai to ascertain next line of treatment. The peripheral angiogram of the lower limbs depicted long segment occlusion of Superficial Femoral Artery and Popliteal Arteries in both lower limbs, with reformation of tibial arteries in upper leg region. The CT scan as well as the angiogram were reviewed by Dr. Someshwar, Intervention Radiologist, suggested Surgical Bypass – Femero Tibial Bypass across the knee joint to be the first choice and if surgery is not possible for any reason then with a limb salvage intention Endovascular Atherectomy with/without stenting could be attempted, but long term patency would be questionable. However, outcome prognosis and chances of Limb salvage were low. In view of above, he was referred to Vascular Surgeon Dr. Amish Mhatre.

Incidentally, his Coronary Angiogram revealed critical stenosis in the Right Coronary Artery (RCA) that needed urgent attention. An able Cardiologist – Dr. Anup Taksande accepted the challenge and conducted RCA Plasty with Drug-eluting stent. Mr. Michael was strictly observed and monitored in the ICU and his stay remained uneventful with his toe also showing signs of improvement. Mr. Michael was massively delighted with his improvements and flew to his home town while expressing gratitude to the team of doctors.



### Dr. Anup Taksande

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His core competencies include Angiography & Angioplasty (femoral /radial route), Rota Ablator, Permanent Pacemakers & Devices, Peripheral Interventions, Device Closures of Congenital Heart diseases viz, ASD/VSD & PTCA.

*Patient's name is kept confidential*