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# Maternal Collapse

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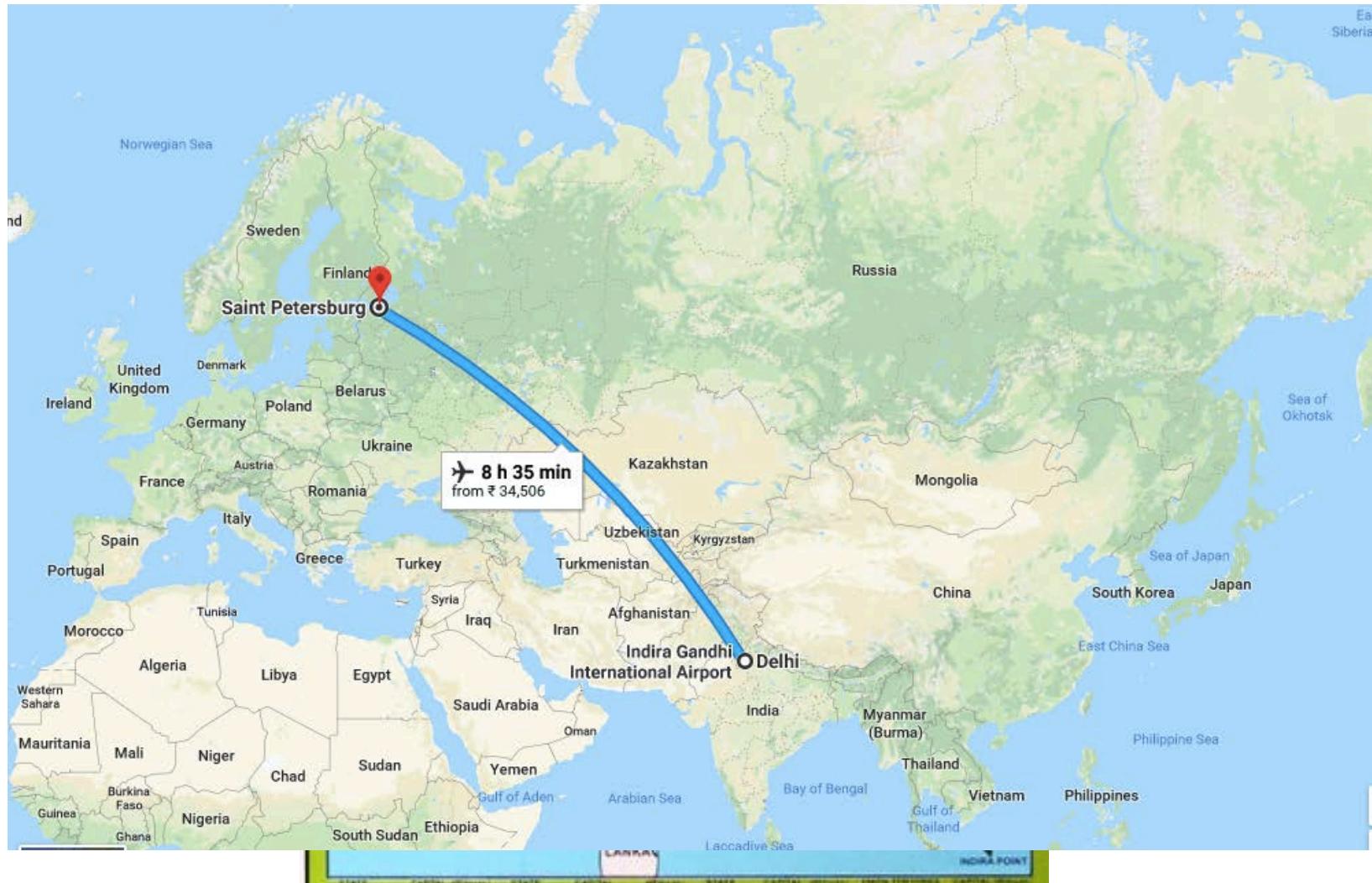
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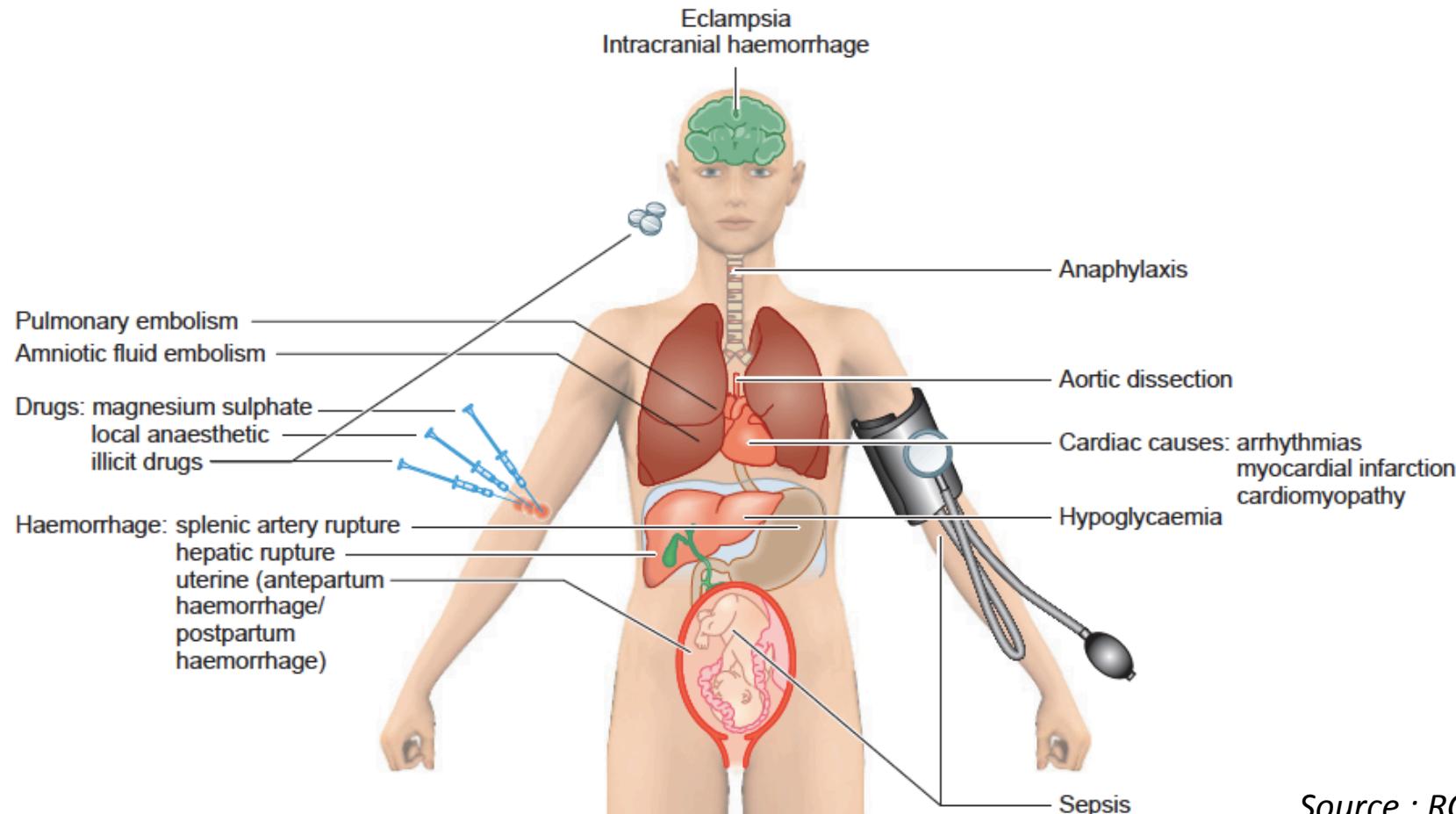




## Maternal collapse

- **Definition**
  - Acute event involving the **cardiorespiratory systems** and/or **brain** resulting in a reduced or absent conscious level ( and potentially death), **at any stage in pregnancy** and up to **six weeks** after delivery
    - RCOG;2011
- **Incidence**
  - **8.5 /100,000 births (UK)** MBRRACE-UK 2016
  - **440/100,000 (India )**

## Causes of maternal collapse





<b>4 Hs</b>	<b>Hypovolemia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bleeding (maybe concealed); APH/PPh/Ectopic/Ut rupt/Splenic art rupture/Hepatic rupture</li> <li>Relative; hypovolemia of dense spinal block/septic or neurogenic shock</li> </ul>
	<b>Hypoxia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easily become hypoxia</li> <li>Cardiac events ; Peripartum cardiomyopathy/MI/aortic dissection</li> </ul>
	<b>Hypo/Hyper Kalemia / other electrolyte abnormality</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nebulisation/Diuretics/Blood transfusions</li> </ul>
	<b>Hypothermia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Especially in peripheral hospitals/Winters</li> </ul>
<b>4 Ts</b>	<b>Thromboembolism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amniotic fluid embolus/Pulmonary Em/MI</li> </ul>
	<b>Toxicity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Anesth Syst Toxicity LAST/Magnesium</li> </ul>
	<b>Tension Pneumothorax</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trauma/Suicide attempt</li> </ul>
	<b>Temponade ( Cardiac )</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trauma/Suicide attempt</li> </ul>
	<b>Eclampsia/PreEclampsia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subarachnoid hemorrhage</li> </ul>

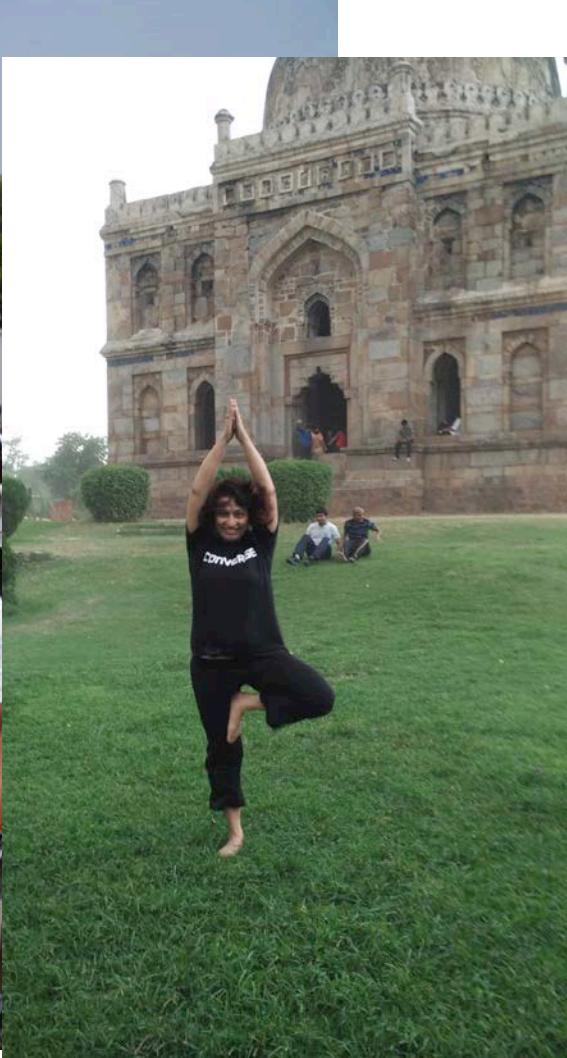
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## Early Warning Signs ( EWS)

- Quickly determine degree of illness
- Based on vital signs
  - Respiratory Rate
  - Oxygen Saturation
  - Temperature
  - Blood pressure
  - Pulse/Heart rate
  - AVPU response

*NICE; 2007/Watkinson et al 2006/  
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## Early Warning Score

Score	3	2	1	0	1	2	3
RR	>35	31-35	21-30	9-20			<7
SpO2	<85	85-89	90-92	>92			
Temp (C)		>38.9	38-38.9	36-37.9	35-35.9	34-34.9	<34
Systolic BP		>199		100-199	80-99	70-79	<70
HR	>129	110-129	100-109	50-99	40-49	30-39	<30
AVPU				Alert	Verbal	Pain	Unresponsive

Score >5; increased likelihood of death or admission



## Maternal Early Warning Criteria (MEWC)

<b>Systolic BP; mmHg</b>	<b>&lt;90 or &gt;160</b>
<b>Diastolic BP; mmHg</b>	<b>&gt;100</b>
<b>Heart rate; / min</b>	<b>&lt;50 or &gt;120</b>
<b>Respiratory rate; /min</b>	<b>&lt;10 or &gt;30</b>
<b>Room air Oxygen saturation; %</b>	<b>&lt;95</b>
<b>Sea level Oliguria</b>	<b>&lt;30 mL/hr for 2 hrs</b>

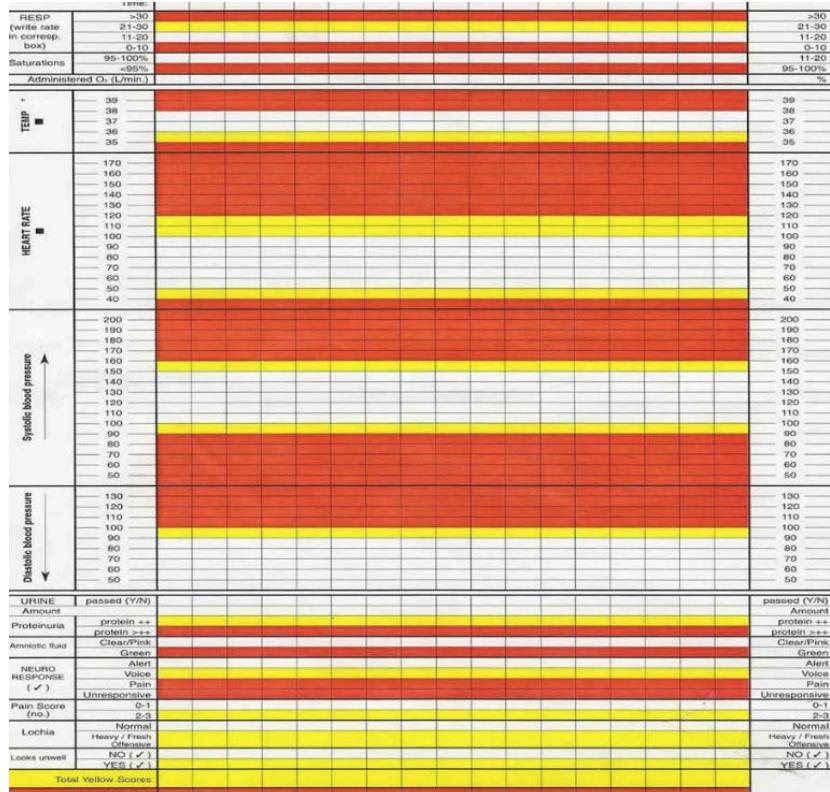


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## Significance of EWS

- Monitor EWS/MEWC at regular intervals
- Prompt reporting
- Bedside evaluation
  - First responder generally anesthetist



*Singh et al; 2012*  
*Clarke et al; 2009*



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## Management of Maternal Collapse

- Look for 4 Hs & 4 Ts & treat accordingly
- If non responsive then proceed to CPR
- *Before 20 weeks*
  - Normal BLS/ACLS
- *After 20 weeks*
  - Modification of CPR due to physiological changes



Cardiovascular system	Changes	Implications
Plasma volume	↑ 50 %	Dilutional anemia ↓ O <sub>2</sub> carrying
HR	↑ 15-20 b/min	↑ CPR demand
CO	↑ 40 %	↑ CPR demand
Uterine bld flow	10 % of CO	Massive hemorrhage
SVR	↓	
BP	↓ 10-15mmHg	↓ reserve
Venous return	↓	↑ CPR demand



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### Respiratory system

RR	↑	↓
O2 consumption	↑ 20 %	Early Hypoxia
Arterial PCO2	↓	↓ buffering/acidosis
FRC	↓ 25 %	↓ buffering/acidosis
Laryngeal edema	↑	Diff intubation

### Other systems

Gastric motility	↓	aspiration
LESphincter	relaxed	aspiration
Uterus	↑	FRC/diff ventilation Supine hypotension Venous return /CPR
Weight	↑	Diff intubation/ventilation

## Emergency management of maternal collapse and arrest (BLS)

Modified Basic Life Support algorithm for in-hospital obstetric emergencies at more than 22-24 weeks gestation

Collapsed / sick pregnant woman

- Call for help
- Rule out & treat cause; 4 Hs 4 Ts
- **Left lateral position** at 15° tilt
  - On rescuers knee/Wedge/Manually displace uterus/Tilt table
- Intubate with cricoid /Ventilate
- Monitor /Fluids ; **2 wide bore cannulas**
- Chest compressions ; slightly higher on sternum; **30:2**
- AED/Drugs : No alteration
- Usg abdomen
- NOT responding to resuscitation
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- **Emergency LSCS within 4 minutes**
- **Delivery of fetus within 5 minutes of resuscitation**

minutes of ongoing arrest

## Emergency management of maternal collapse and arrest (ALS)

Modified Advanced Life Support algorithm for in-hospital obstetric emergencies at more than 22-24 weeks gestation

Unresponsive

Hypovolaemia (haemorrhage)  
Hypo/hyperkalaemia/metabolic (eclampsia)  
Hypothermia

Tension pneumothorax  
Tamponade (cardiac)  
Toxins (sepsis, anaphylaxis, drugs, local anaesthetic)  
Thrombo-embolic (coronary, pulmonary, amniotic fluid or air)



## Perimortem cesarean section

- If resuscitation not effective ; deliver fetus & placenta immediately within 5 mts
- Maternal benefit
  - ↑ Venous return & CO
  - Facilitates chest compression & ventilation
- Place of surgery : Wherever patient is
- Incision
  - Midline incision best/ Incision most comfortable for obstetrician
  - Close abdomen in normal layers
- Equipment
  - Scalpel/gloves/cord clamp
- For maternal benefit mainly



## Perimortem cesarean delivery: Were our assumptions correct?

Vern Katz, MD,<sup>a,\*</sup> Keith Balderston, MD,<sup>a</sup> Melissa DeFreest, MD<sup>b</sup>

**Results:** There were 38 cases of perimortem cesarean delivery identified; 34 infants survived (3 sets of twins, 1 set of triplets); 4 other infants survived initially, but died several days after the deliveries from complications of prematurity and anoxia. Of the 34 infants (25–42 weeks' gestation), time of delivery after maternal cardiac arrest was available for 25. Eleven infants were delivered within 5 minutes, 4 were delivered from 6 to 10 minutes, 2 were delivered from 11 to 15 minutes, and 7 were delivered more than 15 minutes. Of 20 perimortem cesarean deliveries with potentially resuscitatable causes, 13 mothers were resuscitated and discharged from the hospital in good condition. One other mother was successfully resuscitated after the delivery but died

within 24 hours from complications related to her amniotic fluid embolism. In 12 of 18 reports that documented hemodynamic status, cesarean delivery preceded return of maternal pulse and blood pressure, often in a dramatic fashion. Eight other cases noted improvement in maternal status. Importantly, in no case was there deterioration of the maternal condition with the cesarean delivery. We wish to emphasize the large selection bias in this data.



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rate before and after 5 min. In fact, the best available evidence suggests that the injury free survival for both declines in a more or less linear fashion with time. Furthermore, with only 11% of Cesareans accomplishing birth within 60 s, the assumption that birth can normally

be completed within 5 min is clinically irrelevant.

So what clinical guideline should replace the Four-Minute Rule? "Deliver the baby as quickly as possible—for both maternal and fetal benefit," should become the new guideline based on the best available evidence. It is also important to note that of all the reversible causes cited for maternal cardiac arrest by the American Heart Association, many are absolute indications for prompt birth (DIC, abruption, bleeding, amniotic fluid embolism) (Jeejeebhoy et al., 2015). The potential direct benefit on the physiology of resuscitation itself has been described on the basis of experimental evidence by Rose et al. who also call for



## Recommended equipment for routine airway management:

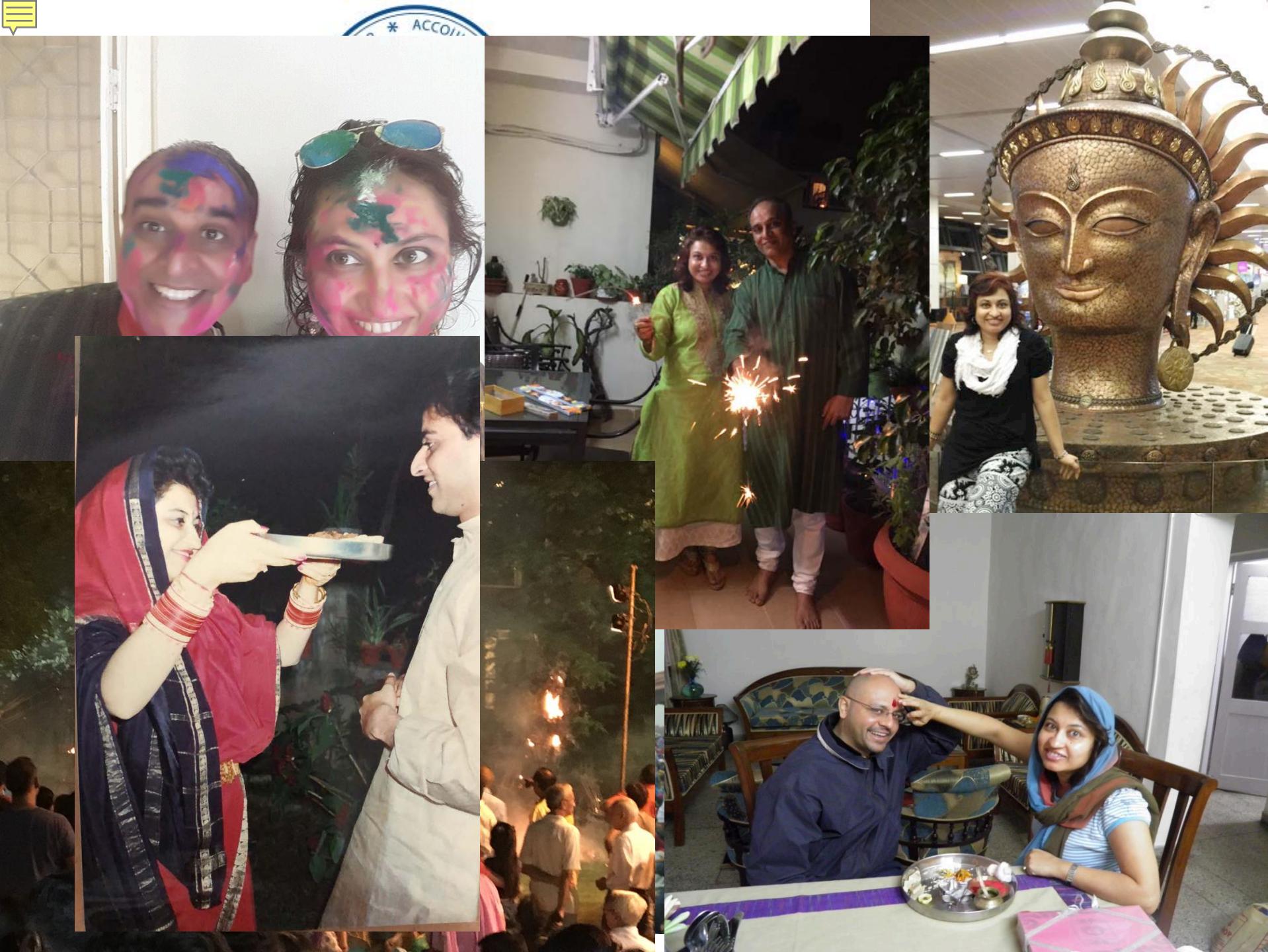
- Facemasks
- Oropharyngeal airways: three sizes
- Nasopharyngeal airways: three sizes
- Laryngeal mask airways
- Tracheal tubes in a range of sizes
- Two working laryngoscope handles
- Macintosh blades: sizes 3 and 4
- Tracheal tube introducer ('gum-elastic' bougie)
- Malleable stylet
- Magill forceps

## Recommended equipment for management of unanticipated difficult intubation

- Difficult Airway Society guidelines algorithm flowcharts (or modified local version)
- Equipment list for restocking
- At least one alternative blade (e.g. straight, McCoy)
- Intubating laryngeal mask airway (ILMA™) set (sizes 3, 4 and 5 with dedicated tubes and pusher)
- Tracheal tubes – reinforced and microlaryngeal, sizes 5 mm and 6mm
- Flexible fiberoptic laryngoscope (with portable/battery light source)
- Proseal laryngeal mask airway (ProSeal LMA™)
- Cricothyroid cannula (e.g. Ravussin) with a high-pressure jet ventilation system (e.g. Manujet) or large-bore cricothyroid cannula (e.g. Quicktrac)
- Surgical cricothyroidotomy kit
- (Scalpel with no. 20 blade, tracheal hook, 6/7 mm tracheal and tracheostomy tubes)

## Alternative specialised techniques of proven value<sup>57</sup>

- Bullard-type laryngoscope
- Trachlight
- Aintree intubation catheter
- Combitub







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# Maternal Collapse in Pregnancy and the Puerperium

Green-top Guideline No. 56

January 2011

- American Heart Association
- European Resuscitation Council
- Society for Obstetric Anesthesia and Perinatology



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## Role of anesthetist in management of maternal collapse

- Usually first responders
- Hemorrhage
- Venous thromboembolism
- Amniotic fluid embolism
- Anaphylaxis; 0.5 ml adrenaline IM
- Drug toxicity
  - Local anesthetic; intralipid
  - Magnesium; 10ml calcium gluconate
- Sepsis
  - Sepsis bundle



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## Post cardiac arrest care

- Close communication between nursing staff/ obstetricians/ Senior Resident Anesthetists along with consultant in charge /Critical care/ Hematologist
- Documentation
- Incident reporting/ Morbidity meet
- Debriefing
- Training at regular intervals



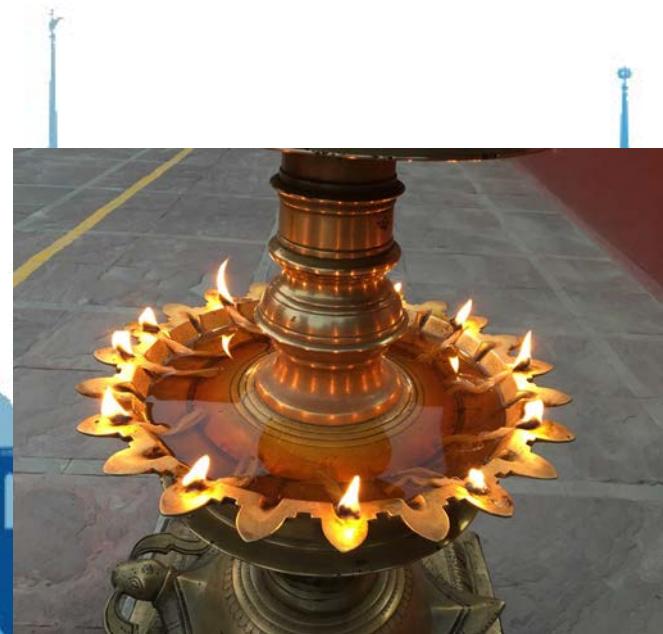
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## How we do it ?

- **Anesthetist first responder**
- **Patient in Obstetric Ward**
  - **Detailed orders with frequent assessments by emergency team**
  - **EWS < 5**
    - Vigorous communication b/w Anesthetists & Obstetricians
  - **If EWS > 5**
    - Shift to ICU
- **Post LSCS with high risk**
  - Shift to recovery room of Anesthesia /ICU
- **Post cardiac arrest/ respiratory arrest shift to ICU**
- **Cardiac or neurological factors pre or post delivery; shift to appropriate section**
- **Regular training of support staff**

- ◆ When there is maternal collapse , aim to deliver fetus as fast as possible but definitely within 5 minutes with all necessary precautions
- ◆ Monitoring for Early Warning Symptoms especially in pregnant ladies can avoid morbidity & mortality



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