

LAST MONTH, SURGEONS IN THREE MUMBAI HOSPITALS CONDUCTED INDIA'S FIRST DOMINO KIDNEY TRANSPLANT INVOLVING FIVE PATIENTS AND A DONOR FROM THE FAMILY OF EACH. **MIHIKA BASU** REPORTS

Dr Jatin Kothari, consultant nephrologist and transplant physician at Hinduja Hospital, says that of the 2,000-odd patients waiting for cadaveric organ transplants in Maharashtra, even if 20 per cent get a match through such domino transplants, it will help fill a huge void. "The next step is to create a link between the cadaver and swap programme and make them work simultaneously, so that hundreds of patients can benefit," says Dr Kothari.