

Small glimpses of hope at Johnson & Johnson

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A story that deserves spotlight



In the world's current situation, it's hard to see the silver-lining – the small glimpses of hope that highlight the power of humanity. But it's all around us. We see it in the faces of frontline workers and healthcare professionals who are fighting for their patients' lives every single day.

Take Gaurav Sahni, an Ethicon Sales Rep at Johnson & Johnson, for instance.

Called by a surgeon to assist in a critical gall bladder surgery in Lucknow, a city in the northern part of India, he travelled almost 3 hours and 22 kms to deliver life-saving medical device equipment during the state's COVID-19 lockdown.

In a normal situation, a sales rep would perform a demonstration of the product prior to the surgery, ensuring the surgeon is prepared to operate. However, the lockdown impeded Sahni from having the demonstration equipment readily available.

To aid in the urgency, he immediately called upon his colleagues, Siddhartha Dwivedi and Vaibhav Agarwal, to obtain an ETHICON GEN11 Generator hours away from his home. Without hesitation, he drove to pick up the generator and footswitch, along with the ETHICON HARMONIC FOCUS®+ Long Shears. On his journey to the hospital, Sahni was stopped by police twice due to the lockdown – but he persisted.

When he arrived, Sahni swiftly arranged the demonstration equipment and provided guidance on the use of the HAR17F shears, managing the use of optimizing, sealing, and cutting during the emergency procedure.

These are stories that deserve spotlight. Moments like this affirm that – no matter the distance – we can rely and depend on each other.