## GIFT A LEASE OF LIFE

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CREATING AWARENESS ABOUT ORGAN DONATION: A healthcare professional speaks about the importance of organ donation to students from various schools at an awareness programme organized by Frontier Lifeline Hospital on Tuesday, World Organ Donation Day, at Chennai Central metro rail station. Senior cardiac surgeon Dr K M Cherian said India has the lowest rates of organ donation in the world at 0.5 donor per million population, compared to over 35 per million in Croatia, 30 per million in Spain and 28 per million in USA. An open house was set-up on the station's premises to showcase different types of hearts, latest equipment used in open-heart surgery and heart support system. Donor families were felicitated for their act of kindness and care