

2 Apollo docs suspended over negligence death

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KOLKATA: The West Bengal Medical Council ([WBMC](#)) on Thursday suspended the practising charging them with [medical negligence](#) causing the death of 30-year-old accident victim Sanjay hospital with “inhuman behaviour”.

The licence of surgeon Shyamal Sarkar has been suspended for six months, and that of intervent

Sanjay's death had brought the patient-hospital relationship under the microscope, and was follo heart of chief minister Mamata Banerjee's [West Bengal Health Regulatory Commission](#), which i



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Feb 16, 2017 | Sanjay Roy, 30, meets with road accident; admitted to Apollo Gleneagles

● Family unhappy with treatment at Apollo, wants Roy shifted to SSKM

Feb 23 | Roy shifted to SSKM Hospital. Family claims delay in shifting as Apollo refused to release patient till full amount of ₹7.23 lakh was cleared

Feb 24 | Roy dies at SSKM

WHO ARE THE DOCTORS?

● **Dr Shyamal Kumar Sarkar**, general surgeon. Roy was admitted under him
Licence cancelled for 6 mths

● **Dr Usha Goenka**, radiologist
Licence cancelled for 1 year



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The Dankuni resident, who had suffered an accident, had been brought to the hospital on February 16, 2017 and was shifted to SSKM hospital on February 23, where he died the next day. His family had accused the Apollo authorities of medical negligence. They alleged the hospital had refused to release Sanjay until they cleared the bill of Rs 7.23 lakh. They alleged that if they had paid it, they would have released him. The ensuing furore had forced the resignation of Apollo's managing director. The medical council found the two doctors guilty of negligence and suspended them for 6 months and 1 year respectively.

“The council found lapses on the part of the two doctors,” WBMC president Nirmal Maji said on Monday. He added that though they had charged for the same. While the patient had suffered massive internal bleeding, the council found that the doctors had not followed the standard protocol.

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The council has been hearing the case for the past three months. While Sarkar was responsible for carrying out procedures to detect and treat the internal bleeding. The council had also considered the post-mortem report. “The post-mortem report reveals massive internal haemorrhage, which was not detected by the doctors,” the council said.

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much internal bleeding. The patient had bled 2.5 litres of blood externally, too, and the doctors did not do enough to stop it,” said a council member.

In addition to medical negligence, the council also charged Apollo of “inhuman behaviour”. The council will send a copy of its judgment to the two doctors concerned. “We at the council stand with doctors who perform their duty with honesty and integrity. But we will not support any doctor who indulges in medical negligence and malpractice,” Maji added.

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TOI tried to get in touch with the two doctors, but several calls went unanswered. “We are yet to shall be able to comment on the subject after we receive it,” said a press communiqué from Apo

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