

Fortis Hospital, Mulund :

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Hospitals report fractures, trauma

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MUMBAI: Railway minister Mallikarjun Kharge announced on Monday that all treatment expenditure of the injured passengers in the Konkan train tragedy will be borne by the railways.

The railways have also announced a compensation of Rs 4 lakh for the deceased, for those who have lost limbs or suffered disfigurement of their faces.

Chief minister Prithviraj Chavan has also announced a compensation of Rs 2 lakh for the deceased and Rs 50,000 for the injured.

For other injuries, railway authorities said the compensation amount will vary from Rs 32,000 to Rs 3.60 lakh.

Around 36 of the 89 injured patients were rushed to Sion, KEM, J J and Fortis and Mulund hospitals in the city.

Of the 16 admitted to Sion Hospital, two patients have undergone surgery so far.

Acting dean Dr Suleman Merchant said all the patients were stable. "Most have sustained fractures or blunt trauma," Merchant said.

KEM Hospital doctors managed to salvage 70-year-old Sakharam Gurav's left arm by suturing the main artery that had got cut.

Acting dean Dr A K Gvalani said that they are hoping that the blood flow will be restored. The Parel hospital is treating 11 patients, including Kurla boy Sunil Bhostekar (20), who was travelling with his five friends to attend a wedding. While three of his friends escaped unhurt, Bhostekar and another friend sustained injuries to the chest. Six members from Mali family also sustained injuries ranging from fractures to blunt trauma and abrasions. Their youngest member, Dhanesh (11), has fractured his right leg.

Six more patients are recuperating at J J Hospital while **three others are in Fortis, Mulund.**

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