

Rare 7.5-kg kidney tumour removed

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New Delhi: Doctors at a private hospital removed a 7.5-kg tumour from the kidney of a 49-year-old Afghan national. Reportedly of a rare kind, the tumour was originating from the blood vessels and fat surrounding the patient's left kidney.

For the last two years, Nasima had been complaining of excruciating pain in her abdomen. After tests in her native country drew a blank, she had gone to Pakistan, where a CT-scan revealed that she had a renal tumour. But doctors there had expressed their inability to deal with the case.

She was flown to India in the beginning of this month. The operation lasted for more than three-and-half

Medical Feat

- A tumour weighing 7.5 kg was removed from the kidney of an Afghan national
- It was heavier than the average weight of a six-month-old baby
- This is one of the largest tumours of its type, ever reported in medical history

hours. Dr Rajesh Taneja, senior consultant urologist, who performed the operation, said: "The tumour was of the angiomyolipoma type, it was growing from the blood vessels and fat surrounding the kidney. The rate of growth of such tumours is usually slow but fatal."