

## UNPLEASANT SEQUELE OF CRIMINAL ABORTION

Foreign body in the bladder for termination of mid trimester pregnancy  
with vulval synechae and white patch near clitoris

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As 80% of our women still live in the villages, number of induced criminal abortion in these women is very high. Different substances like pastes, strong soap-solutions paste, needle and wooden sticks are employed for abortion. A case is reported wherein patient from rural area mid-trimester abortion was induced by inserting stick covered with cotton in bladder.

### CASE REPORT

Smt. R. L. aged 30 years was admitted in K.R.H. on 9-1-82 with history of 4 months amenorrhoea. She gave history of induction of abortion by Dai in her village. At the time of induction she had severe burning sensation at vulva. In spite of induction she did not abort. She noticed white patch near clitoris and severe pain in region of perineum. She also complained of dysuria and haematuria since 6 hours. Exact date of induction was not told by patient. Probably induction was done by stick soaked in some acid solution.

Uterus enlarged to 16 weeks, non-tender. Vaginal examination—both labia minora were adherent. White patch seen near clitoris and on labia majora.

Due to vulval synechae internal examination without anaesthesia was not possible.

Next day under anaesthesia vulval synechae were separated gently. White patch was seen around clitoris and labia on internal examination, cervix was closed, uterus anteverted enlarged to 16 weeks size. A cord-like structure felt in anterior fornix, which was mobile and tender. Other fornices were free. Sounding of bladder was done. Diagnosis of foreign body in bladder was confirmed. Self retaining catheter was passed and about 50 cc of blood stained urine drained. Suprapubic cystotomy was done stick, 3" x 1/2" one third of which was covered by cotton was removed from bladder (Fig. 1) Bladder was stitched by 000 Chromic catgut in two layers, followed by hysterotomy and tubal ligation. Antiseptic cream applied on labia daily.

Post operative period was uneventful. Patient reported after one year with no complaints. Internal examination, revealed no abnormality.

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