

I am Aanchal Jain from Jagadhri (Haryana). Today I have a 18 months old boy with Down Syndrome. I want to share my story as my journey is bit different.

I under went a very healthy pregnancy for 9 months in year 2015 but when I was delivering a child everything went wrong and there is a lot of blood loss and I lost my baby and even I lost my uterus and doctor said that now I can't be pregnant again and we should go for surrogacy. We tried for surrogacy four times but no success. My husband and family insisted me for Adoption from the beginning after they came to know that I can't give birth to a child. Then after continuous fail attempts of surrogacy, I have made my mind towards adoption. In year 2019 we have Adopted a beautiful baby boy who was just 3 days old.



We named him "Adhrit".After 10 days we came to know that he has Down syndrome. We are not aware of this term before and my doctor gave me a horrifying picture of this term and suggested us to give

back this baby as our paper work was not been done completely. It was a complete shock and I was just gone into depression. I searched all over internet. It was very difficult for me to accept him. But my husband asked me a question "Are you ready to give away this child knowing this condition of him?". I immediately responded "No, I cannot ". I realized that I was so attached with him that I cannot even think to give away this child. My husband said that I have accepted this child from the day 1 and I can't give him back just knowing this that he has down syndrome, he said that he just know this baby is a human beings and he is my child and his each and every condition and struggle is mine now. I was bit shocked by his words. As time passed, slowly, I recovered from my stress and started caring and trying hard to make Adhrit physically and mentally strong. And when I accepted things that was happening with me, I started to see the changes in Adhrit too. Things changed, Adhrit was growing actively. He started roll over when he was just 3 months. He started sitting independently in 6 months. His first tooth came at 7 months. Now he is 18 months old and already started walking and has 10 teeth in his mouth. I realized that this change is within me and when I changed, things became positive. Adhrit has every emotions happy, sad, anger, aggressive and I must say he is a good actor too.

I might have not adopted Adhrit if I know about his condition before. But Today, I am thankful to God that he has given me a lovely and beautiful gift.



I have learnt that all of us has our dreams and So do Adhrit and any other person with down syndrome

has and he can do anything and everything if he wants. He changed me and my thoughts. God bless him always.