

导读:中国一位61岁的老人怀孕39周, 成功生下一名健康的男婴。



A Chinese pensioner has successfully given birth to a boy at the age of 61.

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The baby, weighing 2,930 grams (103 ounces), was born at 39 weeks during a C-section in eastern China's Zhejiang Province on June 27, reported People's Daily Online.

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The mother, surnamed Zhang, decided to try for another baby after her only child died of illness, leaving her heart-broken.

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The news emerged two months after an Indian pensioner, Daljinder Kaur, gave birth to her first baby at the age of 70 in the state of Haryana, northern India.

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Zhang was devastated after her daughter passed away aged 30, according to Chinese media.

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The pensioner longed for a new family and her 66-year-old husband supported her idea of having another baby.

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After seeking doctor's advice from different hospitals, the 61-year-old was successfully conceived last November through IVF treatment.

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Upon hearing the good news, Zhang went to the Women's Hospital of Zhejiang University in Hangzhou to prepare for her labour.

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When Zhang showed up for her antenatal appointment for the first time, the doctors and nurses thought she was accompanying her daughter or daughter-in-law.

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They were later stunned to discover Zhang was the mother.

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Doctor He Jing, a supervisor at the Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics, said: 'She is the oldest expectant mother our hospital has received since its founding.

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'I've performed many C-sections over the years, and she is the first patient who is older than me.'

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Due to Zhang's age, pregnancy was a challenge.

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The mother was hospitalised twice due to bleeding, the first time at 28 weeks and the second time at 33 weeks.

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She also experienced complications in the heart, lungs and kidneys as the organs were weakening at her age.

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On June 23, five departments at the hospital joined forces to plan the C-section operation.

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Four days later, Zhang successfully gave birth to a healthy boy with the help of doctors from the departments of Gynecology and Obstetrics, Anaesthesia, Intensive Care Unit, General Medicine and Neonatal.

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Zhang is currently recovering in the hospital and is in a stable condition.

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She told a reporter emotionally: 'Doctor He is the savior of me and my son.'

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China operated a mandatory one-child policy for more than 30 years between 1980 and 2016.

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It's becoming a social issue for aging parents in the country to cope with life when their only child passes away.

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This is because Chinese pensioners rely heavily on their children to support them both mentally and financially. Many think raising a child is the only way for them to have a stable retirement.

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Currently, there are about 660,000 such families in China, with 41 per cent of them living in rural areas, according to the National Bureau of Statistics.

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These families receive a monthly subsidiary of up to 340 Yuan (39 pound) from the government.

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China abolished the mandatory one-child policy on January 1, 2016.

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