

Chapter 16

DIGESTIVE SYSTEM

DISORDERS:

Digestive system is subjected to a number of diseases like **Ulcer, hyperacidity, Jaundice, Vomiting, Diarrhoea, Constipation, Indigestion, appendicitis, heart burn.**

Indigestion:

- Improper digestion of food leading to a feeling of fullness.
- Defect of stomach, food poisoning, over eating or due to consumption of spicy food.

Vomiting or Emesis:

- Forceful expulsion of the contents of stomach through the stomach.
- Feeling of Nausea precedes vomiting.

Constipation:

- Passage of small amounts of hard, dry bowel movements.
- Sometimes leads to complication like Haemorrhoids.

Appendicitis:

- It's a condition which appendix become inflamed
- Appendicectomy – Removal of Appendix.

Heart burn:

- Reflux oesophagitis.

Diarrhoe:

- Excessive frequency and liquidity of faecal discharges

Jaundice:

- Is not a disease.
- Its a syndrome caused by excessive presence of bilirubin in blood and its deposition in skin, Mucous membrane and sclera.
- This condition is called **Hyper bilirubinaemia.**

Types of Jaundice:

- 3 – Main categories.
- **Prehepatic Jaundice** – Neonatal jaundice or haemolytic jaundice.
- **Obstructive Jaundice** – Infective Jaundice.
- **Hepatic Jaundice** – Infective Jaundice.

Marasmus:

- Due to Deficiency of protein in diet as well as less calories in the diet.

Kwashiorkor:

- Sickness of the weaning
- Due to only lack of protein.
- But calorie intake is normal.

