

# “King of Ghazals” Madan Mohan is dead

“THE King of Ghazals is gone and has left no peer” — this was how veteran composer Naushad described the death of maestro Madan Mohan on Monday at the Nanavati Hospital in Bombay, barely a few hours after he was admitted. He was 51 years old and is survived by his wife and three children.

Madan Mohan was staying with his sister, Mrs. Mahendru (Anju Mahendru's mother), at Juhu. On Monday morning he vomitted blood twice and was immediately taken to the Hospital. After a few hours he went into a coma, from which he never recovered. The end came at 3 p.m. He died of cirrhosis of the liver, the disease which took toll of lyricist Shailendra, Music Director Jaikishan and singer Geeta Dutt earlier.

Despite ill health, Madan Mohan attended last Sunday's meeting of the ad hoc committee of the Cine Music Directors' Association, of which he held the post of president once, after the split among the music directors. Madan wanted unity among the rank and



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