LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

The students at the end of the session should be able to:

a) Describe embryological development of lips and palate.

b) Enlist the different types of cleft lips and palate.

c) Discuss the causes and treatment of cleft lip and palate.

CASE

An infant was brought to you in the OPD with complain of difficulty in taking feed. The mother was 37 years old and it was her fourth child. She gave the history of baby getting cyanosed during the feed. On examination we could appreciate a unilateral cleft lip extending into the floor of his nose and through alveolar process of his maxilla. A mid palatal cleft was also documented with involvement of the uvula as well.