Indian Red Cross Society
IMPACT REPORT
COVID19 Response  June 1st, 2020

Over 40 million lives have been impacted, thanks to the hard work & dedication of 40,000+ Red Cross volunteers & 2000+ staff, who are on the frontline, Saving Lives, Changing Minds. Because We Care.

IMPACT - RED CROSS BRANCHES DURING THE COVID19 LOCKDOWN PERIOD

VOLUNTEERS
40,000+
Red Cross volunteers deployed

Majority with specialized training

First-Aid: 18,000+
Hygiene: 17000+
Epidemic Control: 4,500+
COVID19 Case Detection: 4,500+

ALLEVIATING HUNGER
3,00,00,000+
cooked meals served

11,00,000+
families provided dry ration that will support a family for 20 days on an average

BLOOD SERVICES
Ensuring Unhindered Access to Safe Blood

During the lockdown period, Red Cross staff & volunteers have been engaged in providing blood services, holding blood donation camps, motivating & mobilizing donors, free pick up and drop facilities & supporting Govt. Hospitals with blood supply.

79,000+ units of blood has been collected through Red Cross' support.

1,775+ Blood Donation Camps have been held.

CONTROL ROOMS/HELPLINE SUPPORT

2,025 Helpline Services have been established by Red Cross across the country to support people in need during the lockdown period.

6,50,000+ people have been assisted till date.

People dying of COVID require specialized cover & handling. IRCs NHQ has facilitated 360 dead body management cases.
PREVENTION & AWARENESS

*Civilian 3 layered Masks, N95 Masks, Soaps, Sanitizer (500ml), Risks, Social Distancing*

**Community Engagements/Campaigns Conducted:**
- **17,70,000+ on Risks, Social Distancing**
- **355 Ventilators, 28 Oxygen Cylinders, Kits for Testing 10.5 lakh samples, 16 lakh Masks, 90,000 PPE Kits, 130 Thermal Scanners, 25,000 Face Shields, 1.25 lakh pair of Gloves**
- **36,000+ Hygiene Kits distributed among the needy.**

SHELTER & MEALS

- **240+ Shelter Facilities** across the country have supported **30,000+ stranded labourers, roofless elders, homeless & other needy people.**

ISOLATION & QUARANTINE CENTERS

- **25,775 people** have been supported through many Isolation Centers across the country.

Besides, **1,274 Quarantine Centers** have supported **41,760 people.**

SUPPORTING MEDICAL NEEDS

- **61,570 beneficiaries** (mainly Thalassemia, cancer & dialysis) have benefited through transportation services provided by **388 Red Cross vehicles** during the lockdown period.
- **Free medicines** worth Rs. 44 lakh+ have also been provided to the needy, including several TB & Thalassemic patients

BUILDING IMMUNITY

- **4 lakh+ pouches & bottles of Immunity boosting Homeopathic pills and Ayurvedic Kada** provided free of cost to Red Cross staff, volunteers as well as vulnerable groups, including senior citizens.
- **1 lakh+ nutritional supplements** have been distributed.

TRAININGS & PPE

- The safety of our staff & volunteers is our priority.
- **4,500+ volunteers were trained in COVID 19 special trainings.**

**PPE items utilized are:**
- **4,80,000+ Masks, 11,000+ N95 Masks, 45,000+ Sanitizers (500 ml), 85,000+ Pairs of Gloves & 12,000+ Single Use Gowns.**

DOORSTEP DELIVERY OF ESSENTIALS

- **27,6,000+** vulnerable sections such as senior citizens, women headed households and needy in Red/Containment Zones have been reached at their doorstep with essential commodities such as food supply & medicines.

REUNITING FAMILIES

- **869 stranded individuals** were connected & subsequently reunited with their families during the lockdown period under our Family News Service Program.

RESOURCES & ENGAGEMENTS

- Expenses worth Rs. 150 million incurred
- Funds worth Rs. 100 million raised
- Resources worth Rs. 116 million mobilized in kind

By **1,150+ Partnerships** with Civil Society & Private Sector Organizations

SUPPORT TO THE GOVERNMENT

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- **7,70,000+** People assisted with psychosocial support.

The Way Ahead

- Strengthening Advocacy efforts on social distancing, hygiene promotion & personal protection.
- Uninterrupted blood services.
- Supporting BPL families in income generation (with cash transfer option).
- Organizing COVID specific webinars.
- Specific COVID 19 projects to be piloted in States/UTs.
- Psychosocial counselling including counseling for reducing stigma/discrimination.

OUR STAFF & VOLUNTEERS-THE REAL HEROES

"The perseverance and commitment I see in the staff and volunteers to mitigate the impact of the coronavirus shall go in the annals of Red Cross history, both nationally and globally, as the best exhibition of valour. We have conquered fear and our victory is certain."

Sh. RK Jain, IAS (Retd), Secretary General, IRCS
We congratulate Dr. Harshvardhan, Hon’ble HFM & Chairman, IRCS on being elected as the Chairman of the WHO Executive Board. Your role in transforming India’s healthcare has been commendable.

Nestle India Ltd also handed over food supplies worth Rs. 14.50 lakhs to IRCS West Bengal & Goa for distribution among cyclone victims & the needy.

We thank our benevolent donors and partners who have supported us or have pledged assistance in cash and kind to Red Cross.

Material Dispatched to State/UT Branches:
- 11,01,100 Masks
- 1,32,500 Gloves
- 8,240 Sanitizers
- 4,860 Face Shields
- 3,880 PPEs
- 3,192 Wet Wipes
- 1,930 Jackets
- 1,100 Body Bags
- 2035 Nutritional Food Supplements for Children
- 35 Thermal Guns

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IRCS NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

89 IRCS BLOOD BANKS

Material Dispatched to State/UT Branches:
- 41,600+ units collected
- 44,000+ units issued to patients
- 7,770+ units issued to Thalassemics
- 6,804 registered Thalassemics

IRCS BLOOD BANKS

- 3,754 units collected
- 5,186 units issued to patients
- 2,087 units issued to Thalassemics
- 730+ Blood Donation Camps Held
- 2094 units of blood collected through camps
- 41 Blood Donation Camps Held
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Irregularities in the blood transfusion system have been reported by Thalassemics India. Thalassemics India has reported issues with the blood transfusion system.

Thalassemic patients and their families are facing difficulties due to irregularities in the blood transfusion system.

Special Online Interactions

- Hon’ble HFM Minister interacted with Red Crossers on the 21st of April, 2020.
- NHQ organized 4 interactions with the National Managing Body, 8 with State/UT Branches, 3 with Blood Banks, a special webinar on E-Raktkosh for IRCS Blood Banks & regular weekly meetings with Red Cross Movement Partners.

Dealing with Multiple Crisis

Assam Floods: Incessant rains have triggered floods in several parts of Assam, compounding the existing COVID19 crisis. Volunteers are doing all they can to support those affected. Preliminary assessment has been conducted. Essential items such as tarpaulins, drinking water, food, etc. have been distributed. Besides, tarpaulin sheds have been installed alongside roads to provide temporary shelter to 32 families in Dhemaji & 10 in Goalpara.

Amphan Cyclone: Volunteers in West Bengal & Odisha are working tirelessly to support Amphan affected communities. Volunteers are extending their support in providing a cover to the roofless. Nearly 8500 tarpaulins & other relief aid is being distributed among the needy.

Vizag Gas Leak tragedy:
For two days, IRCS Andhra Pradesh distributed over 3000 food packets among evacuated families.

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“First of all, thank you. We, at Thalassemics India, are so grateful to IRCS NHQ Blood Bank team for working tirelessly to ensure that Thalassemic patients continue to receive blood on time for their transfusions. IRCS also ensures that donors & patients are safe and cared for while simultaneously anticipating and preparing for what’s next. The fact is that as always, you are willing to recognize our needs and find ways to take immediate steps. Please accept our heartfelt appreciation and gratitude for saving our patients and making thousands of differences.” Ms. Shobha Tuli, Secretary, Thalassemics India

Thank you Donors

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Support In Cash:
- IFRC, ICRC, Japan Govt, Canadian Red Cross, Qatar Red Crescent, Aramco, Aviva life insurance, Lutron GL Sales & Services, Future First, Nestle, Anand Vardhan Kanorien, Gill Group Foundation, The Supreme Master Chang, Rolex & many more.

Support In Kind:
- IFRC, ICRC, Jack Ma and Alibaba Foundation, Vietnam Red Cross, Govt of UAE, Taipei Economic & Cultural Centre, Nestle, P C Financial, Compact India Pvt. Ltd.

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HON’BLE HFMs VISIT TO IRCs NHQ

During his visit to NHQ, Hon’ble HFM & Chairman, Indian Red Cross, Dr. Harsh Vardhan, flagged off relief material for COVID19 response on May 8th, World Red Cross Day. He appreciated the selfless service of scores of Red Cross volunteers who are working on the frontline across the country. Hon’ble HFM also visited NHQ to inaugurate a 'Blood Donation Camp' organized at the Blood Bank on 4th May, 2020. He appreciated the initiatives taken by Indian Red Cross Society to encourage donors to come forward during the COVID19 pandemic so that needs of Thalassemics & other blood transfusion dependent patients could be met. He also encouraged people to come forward and donate blood in the camp.

ACTIONS ON THE GROUND

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