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“Goa State Branch came out of slumber and responded meticulously to the Covid threat. Food, blood, protection items have been a priority and we shall continue to serve the humanity with our volunteers.”
Sh. Rajesh Salgaonkar, Member, National Managing Body from Goa

Updates from State/UT Branches
- 255 units of blood were collected through 06 camps organized in Haryana. A staggering 25,071 units have been collected so far in the State during the lockdown period. The State Branch has also distributed more than 1,45,23,350 food packets till date.
- IRCS Pune’s (Maharashtra) mobile dispensary unit conducted free medical check up for more than 1000 patients in the last week. 200+ needy families were provided dry ration kits & free Vitamin D3 tablets were distributed among 2000+ people in old age homes as well as slums.
- 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. Tarpaulins were installed alongside roads to provide temporary shelter to 32 families in Dhemaji & 10 in Goalpara.
- 164 units of blood was collected at a camp organized by IRCS Barshi, Maharashtra.
- Volunteers of IRCS Manipur have been working tirelessly to extend all possible support to thousands of people returning home. They are conducting thermal screening at the railway station & district screening centres & are also distributing snacks & water among the returnees. Vehicles for their onward journey to assigned ‘Community Quarantine Centres’ is also being arranged by the team.
- In M.P, water & biscuits were distributed among 2000 migrant labourers onboard trains.
- 170 units of blood was collected by IRCS Warangal Blood bank in Mahabubabad, Telangana.
- Food supply worth 4.50 lakhs handed over to IRCS Goa by Nestle India Ltd for distribution among covid warriors.

Popular on Social Media
Red Cross volunteers in Assam have been conducting preliminary assessment in flood affected areas of Kamrup Rural, Goalpara, Morigaon, Hojai & Dhemaji Districts. Essential items such as tarpaulins, clean drinking water, biscuits, etc. are being kept ready in the highlands to support rescued people.

IRCS NHQ received supplies consisting of 21 lakh single use surgical masks & 68 ventilators, as a gift from abroad. As desired by the Government, all ventilators & 10 lakh masks have been handed over to them for use.

Lives Impacted
"I’m a Thalassemia patient and a social worker. When the lockdown began, I started receiving repeated calls from my fellow Thalassemics, who were struggling to find blood donors. I had never anticipated such challenging times in my lifetime, wherein we’d have to suffer due to the shortage of blood. I, then decided to do something to help. With the support from my organisation, Thalassemics India, I started spreading awareness on this issue via social media. I also got in touch with the Indian Red Cross Society and arranged for passes for willing donors so that they are able to travel without hassles for donating during the lock-down. We have so far been able to help all the patients who have asked for help with their donations. Overall we have managed to arrange more than 80 donations at various centres like Indian Red Cross, Sir Ganga Ram, Deen Dayal Upadhyay, Lady Harding & Apollo Hospital."
Ms. Swati Tuteja, Associate, Thalassemics India

42,000+ Red Cross Volunteers are in action across 550+ Districts

Stock Availability- NHQ
Blood Bank Update from 26th to 28th May, 2020
Units Collected: 80
Units Issued: 206
Units Available Today:
- 45 units of PRBC,
- 46 units of PC, 537 units of FFP,
- 02 units of Whole Blood

Your support helps us ensure last mile delivery of life saving information & relief aid.

WE THANK YOU!

Despatch to State/UT Branches
IRCS Delhi:
Face Masks: 15000; Gloves: 10000
PPE: 59; Face Shields: 270

We thank Prince, a Red Cross volunteer for saving the life of a one and a half year old Thalassemic baby in Buxar, Bihar! When the baby fell quite ill after her Haemoglobin level dropped below the critical mark, Prince, did not think twice before stepping forward to donate blood (he incidentally had the same rare blood group) when it mattered the most!

To prevent the spread of waterborne diseases during the challenging times of covid, volunteers in Kavali, A.P., are cleaning wells & water points to ensure vulnerable communities have unhindered access to safe & clean water.

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