Indian Red Cross Society

COVID19 Response

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Updates from State/UT Branches

- IRCS Warangal (Rural) organised a blood donation camp in which IRCS Warangal (Urban) Blood Bank 215 units of blood (Telangana).
- IRCS Khargone, Madhya Pradesh donated 2500 masks to the Collector, for distribution among frontline corona warriors working as well as needy people living in containment zones.
- IRCS Puducherry celebrated ‘World No Tobacco Day’ by shedding light on how its use makes one more susceptible to covid, besides creating awareness on its harmful effects.
- IRCS Guntur, Andhra Pradesh is supporting the local administration in management of passengers who will be arriving from the first passenger train since the start of the lockdown. Red Cross volunteers have been positioned and all precautionary measures have been taken by IRCS at Guntur Railway Station.
- IRCS Gujarat has taken an initiative to provide advanced covid19 IgG screening for employees who will be joining office after the lockdown period. The testing will use ICMR & CEUA approved Abbott Kit & latest Diagnostic Machines.
- IRCS Odisha provided relief aid to 38 needy families affected by the whirlwind in Bhubaneswar.
- 142 units of blood was collected by IRCS Navsari, Gujarat, through two camps.
- IRCS Mumbai delivered 6854 cartons of beverages, donated by ITC Group of Companies. Amongst others, the supplies are being provided also to the hospitals treating covid19 patients.

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To ensure safety for all, IRCS Warangal (U) Blood Bank & Thalassemia Centre has installed a foot operated Hand-Washing apparatus, with provision for liquid soap & water.

Volunteers of IRCS Odisha are encouraging the stranded migrant labourers inhabiting the quarantine centre in Model Degree College at Bambada, Boudh to practice Yoga and Pranayam in order to de-stress themselves and remain healthy. They are also providing psychological support to those in need in order to strengthen their resolve to cope with this crisis.

Our volunteers continue distributing tarpaulins among families whose homes have been damaged in the wake of Amphan Super Cyclone. The team in Assam is also leaving no stone unturned to support those affected by floods. Volunteers have already distributed essential items such as tarpaulins, food, etc. among the needy.

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Despatch to State/UT Branches

IRCS Madhya Pradesh:
Gloves: 10,000 pairs; PPE: 300; Face Shields: 540; Thermal Guns: 05

14 pedal operated sanitizer dispensing stands are being installed by IRCS Goa to promote good hygiene etiquette amidst the COVID crisis. The State Branch is installing them along with hand sanitizer jugs at the Government offices & Goa Medical College.

10 hand washing kiosks are being installed across several places in Chennai by IRCS Tamil Nadu, to promote regular handwashing among people in public places. In order to dispense water, the kiosk has to be operated through pedals placed on all 4 sides.

40,000+ Red Cross Volunteers are in action across 550+ Districts