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IRCS dispatches material to State Branches
IRCS NHQ has dispatched masks, sanitizers and thermal guns to the following State/UT Branches- Tripura, Bihar, J & K, Ladakh, Assam, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh & Haryana.

COVID19 testing kits handed over to Department of Health Research
IRCS handed over COVID19 test kits sourced from abroad to the Department of Health Research. The kits weigh over 130 Kgs and shall test over 50,000 samples. The total cost of these kits amounts to INR 2.43 crores.

IRCS NHQ Blood Bank has taken measures to meet the additional requirements of Thalassemic patients who are unable to get blood from their designated Blood Banks.

Hon'ble President of India & President of IRCS, Shri Ram Nath Kovind ji interacted with Governors and LGs and requested them to exhort Red Cross volunteers to supplement the community level work relating to COVID19.

15,000 Red Cross volunteers in Karnataka have been enrolled as 'Corona Warriors' to work in tandem with the State Govt. They visited colonies inhabited by labourers & distributed masks, soaps, etc. among them. The State Govt. has sanctioned INR 4.50 crores for Red Cross activities.

Teach a child when s/he is young! Volunteers in West Bengal are conducting door to door campaigns in rural areas to encourage people to wash their hands properly & regularly to protect themselves from corona

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Red Cross Volunteers in action

30,000

Present across

1100

Red Cross Units in India

Primary Activities

Dissemination & Awareness Creation
Through IEC material developed in local languages.
Campaigns in public places, at doorsteps to reach the last mile
By enforcing social distancing in public places such as pharmacy shops, kirana stores, farmer markets
Distribution of PPE: masks, gloves, sanitizers, soaps

Preparation & Distribution of Food among the needy
Community kitchens being run to prepare & deliver packed food to migrants, homeless, in slums & remote rural areas
Dry ration & clean water being distributed
Fruits, water being provided to volunteers & Government staff providing services

In close coordination with the district administration, Red Cross volunteers are conducting the following activities:

- **Community Surveillance** to enforce lockdown and social distancing in public places
- **Home delivery of essential items** such as food, ration, medicines for women headed households, senior citizens, disabled individuals
- **Logistic support** in running and monitoring quarantine & isolation centers and homes of suspect cases
- Several **Red Cross hospitals & cyclone shelters** are being converted into Isolation centres for suspect cases
- **Where possible, available spaces are being converted into Shelter Homes for the needy**
- **Pilgrims, tourists, migrant labourers, students & others are being provided food & shelter & are being connected with their families**
- **Red Cross owned vehicles** have been made available to the local administration for use

Out of the total 89 Red Cross blood banks, many are being run 24/7. All efforts are being made to meet the needs of **Thalassemic & other blood transfusion dependent patients. Pick and drop facility** is being provided to donors wherever possible.
All precautions are being taken to ensure safety of staff, blood donors and patient attendants.