"I am always very happy to serve people in need. That is when I feel content. Today, more than ever, we need people to come forward and help those in need. I believe that by working for the needy during the COVID19 pandemic, we are serving God. I am fortunate to be on the frontline of the response team."

Sh. Laba Kumar Sarma, Worker, IRCS Assam State Branch

Our Impact

IRCS Himachal Pradesh is working tirelessly to provide relief aid to the needy. Volunteers are traversing difficult terrains to reach people living in remote & mountainous areas. The team has reached 6,98,592 people with cooked food & 27,601 people with dry ration till date.

IRCS Hisar, Haryana has taken several initiatives to maintain adequate supply of safe blood during the lockdown period. As a result, the District Branch has been able to collect 2564+ units & has also successfully motivated its volunteers to themselves donate blood.

IRCS Kerala is going all out to ensure the safety of vulnerable individuals and communities through dissemination of accurate information on COVID safety precautions. 1,50,000 masks & 400 pairs of gloves have been distributed among the needy till date.

Recent Highlights

In collaboration with the District Administration, volunteers in Sona Mura, Tripura distributed dry ration among daily wage brick field labourers. The IRCS team reached around 4000 such needy in the area.

Volunteers in Kareli Badi, Chhattisgarh encouraged labourers engaged in MGNREGA work to practice social distancing at all times to keep safe from COVID. They also distributed personal hygiene items such as masks among them.

IRCS Choryasi, Gujarat has launched an automatic sanitizer machine & chambor in collaboration with an organization, Saksham Surat to ensure the safety of 10,000 people who are being provided food through the Langar.

Updates from NHQ

Blood Bank- NHQ

Units Collected : 81
Units Issued : 26

Units Available -
212 units of PRBC,
87 units of Platelet
Concentrate, 1609 units of FFP

Our Beneficiaries

"Since the lockdown has been announced, I have been stranded in Madhya Pradesh. Being a daily wage labourer, I have not got any work as a result. My friends and I did not even have the money or means to arrange food for ourselves. Thankfully, Red Cross volunteers came to our rescue & have been providing us cooked food everyday since then. I am very thankful to them for helping people like me survive during this time of crisis."

Sh. Ramesh Kumar, a beneficiary from IRCS Madhya Pradesh
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The Corona pandemic has certainly altered the way we lead our lives. However, it is people who require regular blood transfusions such as Thalassemics & others who are struggling the most to cope with this sea change. Indian Red Cross is leaving no stone unturned to ensure those in need have unhindered access to safe blood, even in the remotest corners of the country.

Rana Ghosh, an eight year old is a Thalassemic and a resident of Karuigachhi, a remote area in Tehatta, West Bengal. During the lockdown, Rana’s Hemoglobin dropped sharply below 4, leaving his family sleepless & worried. What made matters worse was the uncertainty of finding blood donors in the lockdown period. On being approached by the boy’s family, IRCS immediately reached out to all voluntary blood donors in a bid to motivate them to step forward when it mattered the most & save a child’s life. The relentless efforts of Red Cross volunteers helped facilitate Rana’s urgent transfusion on time, thanks to the generosity of 2 blood donors – Sh. Shubha Roy Chowdhury from Chatarpara and Sh. Biplab Sarkar from Debnathpur who readily agreed to donate blood at Tehatta Blood Bank. Today, Rana is fit and healthy and gets his regular transfusions done without any difficulty, thanks to the real heroes of the corona crisis.

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Mrs. Manashi Chakraborty has been living alone since her husband passed away years ago. While her health usually does remain unstable, it deteriorated considerably during the lockdown. The thought of being alone and miles apart from her only daughter who lives in Haryana added to her anxiety and impacted her health. Manashi felt that she had nobody to care for her. On being contacted by her daughter, the local Red Cross Chapter back home immediately rushed to Manashi’s aid. Not only did they facilitate her medical checkup through the local Health Dept, they also replenished her stock of prescribed daily medicines. The team also assured Manashi & her daughter of all possible support in case need arises. Today, Manashi is doing well & enjoys visits by Red Crossers who regularly check on her.

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