Indian Red Cross Society
COVID19 Response- NHQ Blood Bank

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"IRCS Blood Bank Delhi is a centre that is always supportive in need. Never refusing. Always ready to share. Truly a friend in need."
Dr. Poonam Coshic, CMO, Main Blood Bank, AIIMS. New Delhi

Impact - IRCS NHQ Blood Bank

38,000 voluntary blood donors registered with IRCS NHQ Blood Bank are being contacted for Blood Donation

Support to Govt. Hospitals
- Units issued to AIIMS Delhi: 109
- Units issued to Govt. Hospitals: 409
(Data from May 1st, 2020)

IRCS NHQ Blood Bank appreciates the massive support extended by IRCS Haryana State Branch & all its District Branches in enabling NHQ to organize blood donation camps in the State during the lockdown period. 549 units have been collected in 7 camps held till date

Impact During Lockdown (Data from March 25th, 2020)
- Units collected: 2836
- Total registered Thalassemics: 984
- Units issued to Thalassemic patients: 1578
- Units issued to other patients: 2109
- Camps conducted: 26
- Collection through camps: 1460

Your support today means that the needy has to fight 1 less battle- that of easy access to safe blood. Join us tomorrow, the 14th of May, 2020 in Rohtak to do your bit. The camp is being organized in association with Sati Bhai Sai Das Sewa Dal. All are welcome!

24/7 Control Room at NHQ Blood Bank
The Control Room has facilitated the following requirements in the period between April 12 to May 12, 2020:
- Donors: 225
- Food Requirement: 136
- Blood Seekers: 244
- Other Services: 331
- Other Calls: 3500+
- Total Calls: 4436

Blood is being processed in the laboratory at NHQ Blood Bank in accordance with social distancing norms & other safety measures

Every vehicle that enters IRCS NHQ premises in Delhi is disinfected everyday to ensure the safety of all staff and blood seekers

Daily Stock Availability - NHQ
Blood Bank- NHQ
Units Collected : 80
Units Issued : 149
Units Available - 244 units of PRBC, 113 units of Platelet Concentrate, 1669 units of FFP
42,000 Red Cross Volunteers are in action across 550+ districts
Their hard work is helping Save Lives, Change Minds

**Impact - IRCS State/UT Branches**

**Work in Red/Containment Zones**
Volunteers in Kisanganj, Bihar are working tirelessly to reach the needy at their doorstep with food, medicines & other essential commodities. Special effort is being made to reach people in areas under containment. The team is aiding 1930 families & is also educating them on COVID safety precautions.

**Ensuring Food Security**
The COVID crisis has taught us to live without many things we thought were indispensable. Food, however, is a necessity & the team in Telangana is ensuring that the vulnerable don’t lose this basic right by distributing cooked food among migrant labourers. 2000 people were reached in Hyderabad & Ranga Reddy Districts.

**Preparing for the Challenges that Lie Ahead**
As stranded people across the country make their way home, IRCS Manipur State Branch is training the volunteers of Jiribam District on protocols that need to be followed while facilitating their homeward journey. An orientation program was conducted & three layered masks, hand gloves and sanitizers were also distributed among the participating volunteers.

**Creating Awareness, Safeguarding the Vulnerable**
Volunteers in Vellore, Tamil Nadu distributed relief aid among 25 families belonging to a Gypsy tribe. The wandering community was also educated on the importance of maintaining appropriate social distance in the fight against the disease. Members were also informed about other covid related safety precautions such as frequent hand-washing.

**Leading by Example – Donating Blood, Saving Lives**
Not only has the team in Uttar Pradesh proactively facilitated blood donations for several people in need during the lockdown period, more than 120 volunteers have themselves stepped forward to donate blood for Thalassemics, Cancer patients & others in need in the last one month.

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**Updates from IRCS Blood Banks**
Units Collected by IRCS Blood Banks across the country

**Units Collected at:**
- IRCS Blood Bank Petlad, Anand, Gujarat: 16 units
- IRCS Navsari, Gujarat: 26 units
- IRCS Anand, Gujarat: 22 units
- IRCS Singrauli, Madhya Pradesh: 10 units

Units available on 13.05.2020 morning: 70

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