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COVID19 Response



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"We are very happy to state that Shriman Rambhai Shah Blood Bank, Barshi is working in rural areas of Maharashtra to provide help during the covid19 crisis. We are supplying free blood to needy patients & are also distributing 1000+ meals everyday through our community kitchen. Besides, we have also undertaken many activities to create awareness on covid safety precautions in the surrounding villages."

Sh. Ajeet Kunkulol, Vice Chariman, IRCS Barshi, Maharashtra

<u> Impact- Shriman Rambhai Shah Blood Bank Barshi, Maharashtra</u>

Support to Govt. Hospitals & Blood Banks

- Solapur Govt. Civil Hospital: 60
- Osmanabad Govt. Civil Hospital: **39**
- Trust Blood Bank Nagpur (NAT Blood): 158
- Trust Blood Bank Yavtmal: 150
- Sangli IRCS Blood Bank: 135
- Udgir IRCS Blood Bank: 56

Issue of Blood Without Replacement

The Blood Bank issues Blood & Blood Components on a **50% discount** to all **female patients** & **senior citizens (58+yrs)**. It is the first Blood Bank in the district to supply **NAT tested blood.** The Blood Bank has also been **fully automated** & is using Cloud Blood Band Software to ensure adequate supply of safe blood during covid.

Today's Stock Report

PCV: **415**; RDP: **48**; Fresh Frozen Plasma: **307**

Impact During Lockdown

(Data from March 25th, 2020)

- Units collected: **1637**
- Total registered Thalassemics: 25
- Units issued to Thalessemic patients: 79
- Units issued to other patients: 1045
- Camps conducted: 25
- Collection through camps: 1400



In 1985-86, **Dr Rajiv Pradhan**, Hon. Secretary, IRCS Solapur District Branch & Head IRCS **Gopabai Damani Blood Bank Solapur** established the Blood Component Separation facility in the Blood Bank, the first in the State

facility in the Blood Bank, the first in the State of Maharashtra outside Mumbai. Later, in 1987, he established the only other Thalassemia

and Haemophilia Transfusion Center in the State after Mumbai. Today, the Blood Bank also provides Apharesis facility & boasts of automation in blood grouping and cross matching facilities. During the lockdown period, **847 units of blood** have been **collected** in-house & through **25 camps (695 units through camps)** whereas **316 units** have been issued to **Thalassemics (127 registered patients)**.

Today's Camp: <mark>123 units</mark> Location: Jamgaon







A **Thalassemia** patients's **mother walked 50 Kms** to obtain blood for her child. Not only did the blood bank supply the required units, they also arranged for her **drop off till home**.



Daily Stock Availability- NHQ

Blood Bank- NHQ Units Collected : 15 Units Issued : 125 Units Available -181 units of PRBC, 16 units of PC, 261 units of FFP

42,000 Red Cross Volunteers are in action across 550+ districts Their hard work is helping Save Lives, Change Minds





Ensuring Safety & Dignity of the Returnees

As thousands of stranded Manipuri's return home, the IRCS team is leaving no stone unturned to assure them their rightful dignity and safety. 10 mobile toilets have been installed in COVID screening centres across the State. Besides, staff & volunteers are engaged in facilitating social distancing & conducting thermal screening of returnees. Help desks have also been set up to provide the necessary information.



<u>A Stitch in Time, Saves Nine-Providing Blood to the Needy</u>

IRCS **Uttar Pradesh** has been very prompt in responding to all blood needs during the lockdown period. Several volunteers have themselves stepped up to donate blood during this crisis. Recently, when a 55 year old anaemic lady's Haemoglobin fell below 3, Sh. Alok Mathur, a Red Crosser did not think twice before donating blood. He quickly also got a friend on board to fulfill the requirement.



Ensuring Care & Support for the Elderly

IRCS Bhiwani, Haryana is running a campaign to proactively identify and support any elderly person in need of help during the covid lockdown. Volunteers are going door to door to seek information so that no one is left behind. Recently, the team came to the rescue of an 80 year old paralyzed man who has been living alone. Incidentally, the man too has spent his entire life working for the needy as a 'Vaid'.



Supporting COVID Dedicated Hospitals with Blood Requirements

Age is no bar- Red Cross volunteers across age groups are giving their all in the fight against covid. Recently, youth volunteers in IRCS Dehradun, Uttarakhand played an active role in organizing a successful blood donation camp for meeting the needs of the Govt. Medical College Blood Bank Dehradun, a COVID dedicated hospital. Forty five units of blood was collected.



<u>Rebuilding Homes, Rebuilding Lives</u>

Besides fighting COVID19, volunteers in Margherita, Assam are also battling severe storms & other difficulties that have wreaked havoc on the local communities. Recently, tarpaulins, food supply & other relief aid was provided to families whose huts were destroyed by a herd of wild elephants. 64 households were provided support in rebuilding their lives.

Updates from IRCS Blood Banks

Units Collected:

- IRCS Mehaboobnagar, Telangana: 180
- CRCBB, Odisha: 82
- IRCS Anand, Gujarat: 31
- IRCS Singrauli, Madhya Pradesh: 11 Units available on 19.05.2020 morning: 63
- IRCS Navsari, Gujarat: 29
- IRCS Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh: 6



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