CONGRATULATIONS, Ms. Rosamma Thomas, former Technical Officer, Blood Center, IRCS, NHQ. We proudly present this STAR EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH at IRCS-NHQ. She was looking after the technical works of the blood center. We appreciate her efforts towards maintaining the cleanliness at her workstation & her surroundings.

IRCS (NHQ) MEETINGS

Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Hon’ble Chairman, Indian Red Cross Society (Hon’ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare) presided over the Annual General Meeting of Indian Red Cross Society at IRCS, NHQ, New Delhi on 17th May, 2022. Hon’ble Chairman expressed his pleasure on the 150 ambulances, blood collection vans & testing vans that are being given to the Red Cross branches & blood centres in the country to deliver health & blood services at the door steps of the people.

Severe flooding in the eastern Indian state of Assam has displaced tens of thousands of people. Heavier than usual rains have submerged several villages, forcing locals to seek shelter in squalid conditions, sometimes even on roads. Hundreds of rescue camps have been set up to shelter those affected by the floods.

I would like to thank the Guwahati district branch for providing aid (Food, Shelter & hygiene kits etc.) to the vulnerable & needy.

In his presidential address during the Annual General Meeting of IRCS, Hon’ble Chairman, mentioned that Tuberculosis is one of the curses that pervades almost the entire country. He emphasised on the participation of all actors in the development sector, including Red Cross to eradicate tuberculosis from this country. He also said that health is a service & not a commerce.

I would like to congratulate all the individual awardees of the RED CROSS GOLD MEDAL and RED CROSS MERIT CERTIFICATES for the years 2019-20 & 2020-21. I also congratulate all the State/UT branches for getting RED CROSS FUNDRAISING & MEMBERSHIP & RED CROSS HIGHEST NO. OF VOLUNTARY BLOOD COLLECTION shields for the years 2019-20 & 2020-21.

I take this opportunity to welcome new office bearer Dr. Mukesh Agarwal, General Secretary, Haryana Red Cross State Branch into the Red Cross family who joined this month. I would also like to welcome Mr. Sudhir Kumar Dutta, General Secretary, IRCS, West Bengal State Branch & Sh. Pradeep Tripathi, General Secretary, Madhya Pradesh, State Branch. I am so proud to have all of you as part of our family.

IRCS also bid adieu to Ms. Rosamma Thomas, Technical Officer, Blood Centre, IRCS, NHQ. We wish her good luck, health & prosperity in her life ahead. I would also like to congratulate her for being recognized as the STAR EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH for maintaining hygiene & cleanliness at the workplace.

I take this opportunity to pay homage to Mr. Andrew, Chairman, IRCS, Senapati District Branch, Manipur whom we lost this month. Under his able leadership the state branch achieved several milestones.
IRCS NHQ Blood Centre

A Man Who Saves One Life Saves All Mankind

The Month of May, 2022
Donors – 1778
Voluntary Donors in camps — 1521
Voluntary Donors in-house — 257
No. of camps— 31
Blood/Blood Components issued - 4263 units

IRCS NHQ Blood Center timings for blood donation:
Monday- Saturday (except 2nd Saturday): 9 AM - 7 PM
2nd Saturday, Sunday, Public Holidays: 10 AM - 6 PM
Note: The NHQ Blood Center is open 24/7 for the issue of blood

Donate Blood During COVID-19 is Safe!

IRCS NHQ Blood donation camp organised at Sub District Hospital Banihal, Ramban, Jammu & Kashmir.

Blood donation camp, Medchal, Telangana. Total 510 units of blood were collected.

Blood Donation camp, IRCS, Sonamura sub divisional branch in collaboration with NAMF

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Donate Blood If You Want To Play A Significant Role In Society.

Blood donation camp organised at Sub District Hospital Banihal, Ramban, Jammu & Kashmir.

Blood donation camp, Rotameak, Telangana. 101 units of blood were collected.

A voluntary blood donation camp was held at Peddamandadi, Wanaparthy, district of Telangana. Total 33 units of blood were collected.

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Thank you, donors!

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Distribution of Relief Materials/Soaps/Masks/HP kits/Medicines/food items etc.
War against COVID-19, floods and other disasters

Distribution of blankets to underprivileged families of Senapati District, Manipur.

Hygiene kits being distributed to the poorest of poor in Kerala.

IRCS, Jalpaiguri district branch, West Bengal extends its helping hand to the disabled by distributing aids & appliances.

Volunteers of IRCS, Darrang, district branch distributed tarpaulins, soaps, etc. to eight erosion-affected families near the Mangaldai river, Assam.

Mr. Deba Prasad Sarma, Secretary of the IRCS, Guwahati district branch spoke about the devastating flood in Assam & humanitarian response by IRCS district branch on Al Jazeera an English (International News Channel).

Distribution of hygiene kits, Ukhrul, Manipur.

Distribution of Hygiene kit, clothes, dry ration & a tri cycle to a differently abled women at Pupri, Sitamarhi, Bihar.

Distribution of relief material including rations, hygiene kits and soaps at flood relief camps of Bishnupur district, Manipur.
More than 7 lakh people have been affected by the floods in 29 districts out of 33 districts of Assam till 22nd May, 2022. Floods have so far killed 12 people. Responding to the emergency situation IRCS, Guwahati district branch organised relief for 500 most vulnerable households. The first phase of distribution took place on 25th May, 2022 in Morigaon district targeting 200 households.

IRCS, Hanumakonda, Telangana received Advanced Life Support (ALS) Ambulance worth of Rs.35 Lakhs from IOCL under CSR.

Distribution of hygiene kits, Bijapur, Chhattisgarh

The Ambulances received by the Kerala State HQ, being flagged off to the respective district branches by the Hon'ble Governor Sh. Arif Mohamed Khan from the Raj Bhavan, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
Trainings & Workshops

In Karnataka, Bangalore, Rural district branch conducted Mega Awareness/Training for ASHA workers. 255 ASHA workers participated in the activity.

First aid training, Pune, Maharashtra

20 candidates received FA CPR Training with Mock drill at JSW project, Bellary, IRCS, Pune.

CPR awareness program, Pune, Maharashtra

Aapada Mitra Training programme was held at Central Training Institute under NDMA on Disaster Management for community volunteers by IRCS, Tripura state branch.

Training on emergency response, Telangana state branch
**WELCOME !**

A hearty welcome to the new members of the Red Cross family;

Dr. Mukesh Agarwal, General Secretary, Haryana Red Cross State Branch.

Sh. Sudhir Kumar Dutta, General Secretary, IRCS, West Bengal State Branch.

Sh. Pradeep Tripathi, General Secretary, Madhya Pradesh, State Branch

**TRIBUTE !**

Mr. Andrew, Chairman, IRCS, Senapati District Branch, Manipur

IRCS, Senapati district branch Chairman, Mr. K. Louno Andrew passed away this month. He rendered great service to the needy people through Red Cross in the Senapati district. He was a man of action, a great visionary who could think the unthinkable. We express our deep sense of loss & extend heartfelt condolence to the bereaved family.

**Farewell !**

IRCS bid audieu to Ms. Rosamma Thomas, Technical Officer, Blood Centre, IRCS, NHQ. She joined the society on 29th April, 1989 as a lab technician at Blood Centre. After serving the Society for 33 long years she retired from the service as Technical Officer. IRCS, wishes her good health & prosperity in her life ahead.

**CONGRATULATIONS !**

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Announcements were made at the AGM held on 17th May, 2022 at IRCS, NHQ, New Delhi presided by the Hon'ble Chairman, IRCS, NHQ & HFM, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya.
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Dr. A. Sridhar Reddy was felicitated by the Hon'ble Governor of Andhra Pradesh on the eve of World Red Cross Day, for his exemplary social service to the society.
Celebration of Important Days

World Red Cross Day

Distribution of blankets at old age home to elderly people and also to street beggars & orphan children at Shrirampur, sub-district branch, Maharashtra on the eve of World Red Cross Day.

Dehradun Youth Red Cross unit in association with Dolphin Institute of Biomedical & Natural Sciences celebrated World Red Cross Day.

Hon'ble Governor of Haryana showers his blessings to the volunteers & encouraged youth to work for the cause of Humanity on World Red Cross Day.

Ambulances were flagged off by Hon'ble Governor of Telangana Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan from Raj Bhawan on World Red Cross Day. Which would be used by district branches.

Distribution of blankets to the needy on World Red Cross Day, Imphal West District, Branch

Blood Donation Camp was held on World Red Cross Day at Manipur State Branch

IRCS, Darrang district branch, Assam distributed kitchen sets & other relief items to needy & poor.
World Red Cross Day, Boudh, Odisha

Painting competition was held on World Red Cross Day, Manipur

International Thalassaemia Day

World Red Cross Day Celebration, Guwahati District Branch, Assam

Celebration of International Thalassaemia Day, Pune, Maharashtra

World Red Cross Day Celebration, Jharkhand

Observation of World Red Cross Day & Inauguration of Immunization Clinic, Basic Life Support Ambulance by District Magistrate, Barasat, West Bengal.

Mother's Day

World Anti-Tobacco Day

International Nurse's Day

On Mother's Day, IRCS, Karimpur, West Bengal volunteers provided aid & medicines to a woman dwelling in slum.

On World Anti-Tobacco Day, 2022 an awareness program was organised for approx. 100 staff by Godrej Pirangnt in collaboration with IRCS, Pune, Maharashtra.

Celebration of International Nurse day, Guwahati, Assam
Health Camps

A golden colour chariot came to the shores of Sea due to Asani cyclone in Srikakulam district of Andhra Pradesh. Red Cross volunteers reached there and take out the chariot out of sea. It might be flown from Japan, Thailand or Malaysia.

Miscellaneous Activities

A new block for Lenac Radiotherapy unit was inaugurated at Nellore Cancer Hospital, by Hon’ble Governor of Andhra Pradesh.

The senior citizen home “Vatsalya” run by IRCS Gujarat State Branch has completed 10 wonderful years!

On World Red Cross Day an exemplary humanitarian service was done by IRCS, Boudh district branch, Odisha. They performed funeral rituals of a dead poor destitute Sulava Pradhan, aged 80 years, a resident of village Balasinga of Boudh block. Villagers refused to perform the rites due to social stigma & a fear of catching an infection.

Tree Plantation at Koubru Hill range by volunteers of IRCS, Imphal
Red Cross, friend of the vulnerable

Govt. lauds Red Cross Society

DC Correspondent
Hyderabad, May 8

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Pupils in ministry of health to go to school

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