"A strong community response is critical to fight the COVID-19 pandemic, which has affected everyone but migrant labourers & displaced people are worst affected. Our volunteers are on the frontline of this response. Let us all unite and salute Covid Warriors of our great Humanitarian organization."

Sh. Basrur Rajeev Shetty, Member, National Managing Body, IRCS

**Indian Red Cross Society**

**COVID19 Response**

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**Our Impact**

- Total number of **blood units** collected at NhQ Blood Bank: **40**

- Health check-up conducted in mobile dispensary for 120 people in Pune, Maharashtra

- Cooked food packets provided to 1402 people in Singrauli, M.P.

- Medicines worth INR 8.5 L provided to needy patients by Gurdaspur, Punjab till date

- 225 kgs of rice distributed among 45 needy families in Srinagar, J&K

- 1450 food packets distributed in Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh

- 55275 people provided cooked food packets in Rohtak, Haryana

**Today’s Highlights**

**Hon’ble LG Delhi** reviewed the work of **IRCS, Delhi** in a meeting held today. He appreciated the role of Red Cross volunteers in supplementing the efforts of the State Health Dept. towards containment of COVID-19 & reaching the needy with essential relief aid

Volunteers are working with **BSF personnel** deployed at the **International Indo-Bangladesh Border** in **Sonamura, Tripura**. They are sensitizing the security forces as well as communities living in the local villages on COVID-19

**Blood Services**

Blood Banks in **Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Bihar, Chattisgarh, Jharkhand & M.P.** have taken several initiatives to encourage donors to come forward & donate blood in this time of crisis

Voluntary blood donors await their turn in a queue at a camp organized for blood donation by IRCS **Gujarat**. All social distancing & donor assessment norms were strictly adhered to
Our Activities

- Community kitchens, distribution of dry ration
- Community surveillance & community service (home delivery of essential items)
- Logistic support to quarantined homes & centers
- Red Cross Ambulances for transporting patients
- Distribution of masks, gloves, soaps, IEC material, etc.
- Shelter Homes, Red Cross Hospitals & Isolation centers
- Establishing link between stranded people & their families
- Maintaining an uninterrupted supply of blood by providing pick & drop facility & collecting blood through Blood mobile vans

Beneficiaries & Donors Speak

"During this hard time, only Red Cross Society came to our village to help us. We did not have food to eat. They gave us necessary food material. Our children are also very happy now. I want to thank Red Cross for this help."

*Bhawgabati Sardar, Natipota, Dalit village, Tehatta, West Bengal*

"I read in the news that Red Cross is providing pick & drop facility to blood donors. When I contacted them, they were very prompt. I feel really glad that I have been able to contribute in the fight against covid19. Red Cross is doing a great job by inspiring people to come forward for blood donation."

*Hans Raj, a blood donor from Kamal, Haryana (9729078866)*

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