Advanced Project Cycle Management Workshop

**Background** - Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS), National Headquarters (NHQ), with the support of ICRC, has initiated a comprehensive intervention to improve IRCS branches’ program implementation & management capacity. As part of this initiative, total 57 IRCS staff (18 Females, 39 Males) from 25 branches and NHQ were trained through 3 workshops (2018-2019). This intervention is also intended to create a team of around 15 IRCS staff/regular volunteers (mix of various state branches, NHQ as well as male/female) who will be expert in PCM (with results-based approach) and address the PCM needs of IRCS throughout the country.

**Rationale** – PCM with results-based approach has potential to significantly improve various programs/interventions of IRCS (irrespective of geography and thematic) at all levels which eventually will contribute in better recognition, visibility, trust (by community and government) and fund generation. Moreover, the PCM would also benefit the disaster/emergencies specific activities of IRCS.

**Objectives** – To strengthen the capacity of selected IRCS staff in complex components of project planning & management focusing on effective & efficient results-based programming by IRCS.

**Methodology** – The workshop will be conducted with an intensive approach with focus on conceptual clarity and skill building in a step by step manner. It will employ participatory methodology, scenario analysis, experiential sharing and adult learning techniques.

**Schedule & Venue** – Nov 2022; Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)

**Key topics** –
- Summary of PCM
- Project Proposal writing
- Project Risk analysis & mitigation
- Basics of Integrated Programming
- Budget monitoring and control
- Evaluations of projects
- Sustainability (projects and/or results)
- Draft SOPs of results-based programming for IRCS
- Other (as per the suggestions by NHQ/branches/participants)

**Participants** –
- IRCS co-facilitators selected from previous workshops
- 2 staff from state branches having considerable knowledge & experience of project implementation/management

**Facilitators** – Cooperation team (ICRC) together with IRCS NHQ staff

**Next steps after workshop** – The trained staff shall -
- start integrating PCM approach in their respective state branch projects
- support other state branches in their PCM needs on the request of the branch/NHQ