

INDIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY



CONGRATULATIONS!

We proudly present the **STAR EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH Award** to **Ms. Snehlata Gautam**, Social Worker at Blood Center, IRCS (NHQ) for **ALWAYS HAVING SUCH AN UNCLUTTERED DESK!**

She has been a diligent worker responsible for managing records and data for the Blood Center. We appreciate her efforts towards maintaining the cleanliness at work station.

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From the desk of The Secretary-General

Covid-19 vaccination is gaining momentum. India's immunisation drive, which began on January 16th, is one of the largest vaccination programmes in our memory. Now onwards people above the age of 45 & without any co morbidities are also being given the jabs. I appeal to all those who are eligible to take the vaccine. I urge all to follow the Covid protocols as new wave is a result of carelessness as people stopped using masks and are not maintaining social distancing. Together, let us make India COVID-19 Free!

I would like to thank all the branches for undertaking various humanitarian activities like the distribution of Hygiene kits, Masks, Soap, Sanitizers, Blankets, Food items to the vulnerable and needy during the Covid-19 pandemic and other disasters. I would like to thank all the donors & volunteers for their kind and generous support.

I am glad to share that Nucleic Acid Test (NAT) facility was introduced at IRCS (NHQ), Blood Centre. This would surely reduce the risk of transfusion-transmitted infections in the recipients. Also, three fully equipped vehicles, including two blood collection vans, which would be used to hold blood camps and add blood units to the Red Cross Blood Centre were inaugurated.

South Asia National Societies Leadership virtual meeting was held this month. Several issues were discussed like learnings so far from Covid pandemic, priorities for next steps on Covid-19 immunization, preparedness by South Asia NSS towards adopting "New Normal" and the information required for Movement Advisory Group.

COVID-19 has pushed many organisations go the online route to continue business. To promote paperless office, "e-Office" was also introduced at IRCS (NHQ). I am sure that e-office system would bring in more transparency, efficiency and accountability leading to increased productivity.

I would like to congratulate Ms Snehlata Gautam (Social Worker at Blood Centre) who is the "Star Employee of the month". I request all to maintain the cleanliness and hygiene at the workplace for better professional outcome as well as physical well being.

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Minister for Health and Family Welfare and Chairman of the IRCS (NHQ) inaugurated **Nucleic Acid Test (NAT) Facility** at the IRCS (NHQ), Blood Centre. Three fully equipped vehicles, including two blood collection vans which would be used to hold blood camps and add blood units to the Red Cross Blood Centre, were also inaugurated.

IRCS (NHQ) MEETINGS

- South Asia National Societies Leadership Meeting was held on 24th March 2021. The meeting was held through online videoconferencing via Microsoft teams organized by the CC Delegation, Delhi. ICRC-Head of the Delegation, IFRC-Head of the Delegation, and IFRC Secretary General from Geneva also participated. IRCS made a presentation on Covid-19 response & other contemporary issues.
- IRCS in partnership with IFRC and Google has launched Project on Early Flood Warning System. The project has been started initially in 8 districts – 4 each in Assam and Bihar. In this regard a consultation meeting with stakeholders and project design workshop were held from 17th to 19th March 2021 at Guwahati and 25th to 27th March 2021 at Patna.
- Blood Bank Committee Meeting was held on 23rd March 2021
- Introduced electronic filing system at IRCS (NHQ) to promote paperless office.



Donate your blood and make a difference

You don't have to be a doctor to save a life:
Just donate blood

Thank you, donors!



Blood donation at Balibil
Red Cross Shelter, Odisha



The blood donation camp was held successfully in the JRC
Training camp at Sundargarh District



Donor Certificate being given, Manipur

Fighting (COVID-19)



Awareness session on hand hygiene-
Odisha



The Covid-19 awareness campaign was held
by the IRCS, Delhi Branch & Disaster
Management Authority South East district on
20th March 2021



Keeping in mind the health of the farmers agitating in Sonipat on
the Haryana-New Delhi border, Covid-19 vaccination camps
were organized with the support of IRCS

IRCS NHQ Blood Centre

"Bring a life back to power. Make blood donation your responsibility"



The month of MARCH 2021

Donors – 2228
Voluntary Donors in camps — 1947
Voluntary Donors in-house — 281
No. of camps— 27
Blood/Blood Components issued
-4249



Donating Blood During COVID-19 is Safe!

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



Blood donation was held at JRC Counsellors
Training camp Rayagada District, Odisha.



155 units of blood were collected at Dayavihar
Degree College, Kanas, Puri.



Blood donation at Aska science college,
Aska

Distribution of Relief Materials/Soaps/Masks/HP kits/Blankets War against COVID-19,Cyclone &Flood



Hygiene Kits distribution-Nagaland



**We are grateful to all our major Donors
(Aramco, Aviva & Nestle) and Volunteers for their generous support for IRCS
relief efforts on behalf of the millions of underprivileged and vulnerable families
struggling to survive in the aftermath of the COVID-19 Pandemic and other
disasters. Thank you for your compassion, patience and contribution.**



Distribution of mosquito nets, tarpaulins to the needy villagers of Nagari Village , Phul Nakhara, Cuttack,Odisha



Distribution of Mask, soap and hygiene kits to migrants at Malmunda , Gaintala, Puintala of Bolangir District,Odisha



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Distribution of mask , soap and hygiene kit to the tribal people of Kesinga, Kalahandi District,Odisha



Distribution mask , soap and hygiene kit to the tribal people of village Gobari, Dhadra Of Nabarangpur District,Odisha



Distribution of mask, soap and hygiene kit to the tribal people of Nuapada , Harabhanga, Boudh District,Odisha



Distribution of sanitary kits in hilly Village of Baramulla, Kashmir



Masks, Soap, and Hygiene kits were distributed amongst villagers of Godabhang, Bargarh district, Odisha.



Masks, Soap, and Hygiene kits were distributed at Old Age Home, Cuttack



Masks, soaps, and hygiene kits were distributed amongst villagers of the Kutra Sundargarh district of Odisha



Surajpur,Chattisgarh masks were distributed to people



Soaps & mask distribution at Jammu



Soaps & mask distribution -Jammu



Soaps & masks distributed to children at Channi Rama, Jammu



Masks, soaps and hygiene kits were distributed amongst villagers of the Kutra Sundargarh district of Odisha



Covid vaccination awareness rally Dhamtari,Chhattisgarh



Covid vaccination awareness- Mashall rally-Dhamtari,Chhattisgarh



Volunteers of IRCS Chhattisgarh from Govt. Higher Secondary School Khartuli, Dhamtari, conducted an awareness program on Covid-19 vaccination.



IRCS Ballari organized First Aid Awareness to all Media Persons of Ballari ,Karnataka



JRC Counsellors of NUAPADA District are managing COVID -19 vaccination centre



The vaccination camp was held at Indian Red Cross Society, Tamilnadu



Director DM&R handing of IRCS Soaps to Champai DDMA



Secy Health Dept Gov of Mizoram and Chairman IRCS Mizoram handing over consignment of soap to Disaster Management Dept Mizoram

Workshops & Trainings



IRCS Karnataka State Branch successfully conducted 03 days State Disaster Response Team (SDRT) Training in association with IRCS-Dakshina Kannada District Branch and NITK, Surathkal. 60 participants from 14 IRCS-District Branches participated.

Dakshin Dinajpur District Branch participated in NCC special training at Balurghat LMAU Vidyalaya. The major highlights of the training were the First-Aid post and Awareness on Covid-19. Total 350 NCC cadets participated in the training program.



State-level 3 days Youth Red Cross Orientation cum Training camp was held at the University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK, campus Bangalore. 154 Participants from 24 universities across the state participated in the training program.

First Aid Training was imparted to Indian oil corporation Ltd. and Indane gas staffs at Mattaparai, Tamil Nadu



First Aid Training was held at JRC Counsellors Training Programme Khordha District, Odisha



Fire Safety and Rescue training by fire officers to the participants of JRC Counsellors Training Programme at Khordha District of Odisha.



First - Aid training to JRC Counsellors' by Dr. Asish Rathore Master Trainer at JRC Counsellors Training Camp Malakangiri District, Odisha



First Aid Post organized by IRCS Kandi SD-Branch, Odisha



JRC Counsellors' Training Camp at Bhadrak District, Odisha



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A fire fighting demonstration was held by Fire officers at JRC Counsellors Training Camp at Kendrapara District, Odisha

IRCS Imphal West District Branch, Manipur had opened First-Aid posts for 16th State-level Women's and 4th Junior Boys Polo Tournament from 1st to 7th March 2021.



Demonstration on Search and rescue operation was held showcasing different transportation methods and mock drills by FIRE Dept. Kandhamal at JRC Counsellors Training Camp, Kandhamal, Odisha

Disaster Management Basic Course Training had been organized by IRCS Tehatta Sub District Branch West Bengal. Key highlights of the training were DM concept, Vulnerability, Hazard, FA in Emergency, Triage with practical group discussion, etc.



JRC Counsellors Training Camp was held at Sambalpur, Gajapati, Balasore, Kendrapara, Kandhamal, Cuttak, Jajpur, and Bargarh districts of Odisha to provide different types of services to the underprivileged and socially downtrodden people by strengthening JRC at the grassroots level & by capacity building of the counselors.



Having you as a trained first aider would be a **big plus**.

You can make a difference.
Become a volunteer.



Miscellaneous Activities



More than 4,000 students participated in a 'Red Cross Centennial Cycle Rally', which was held in Nellore, Andhra Pradesh. Other than the Nellore rally took place at Srikulam, Chittoor, Kurnool, Anantapur, and Kadapa districts of Andhra Pradesh.



The Indian Red Cross Society, Karnataka State Branch, in partnership with the IRCS Chikkaballapura District Branch and the Kidwayi Cancer Hospital in Bengaluru, organized a comprehensive cancer awareness campaign in Chikkaballapura District on 6th March 2021.



Sewing machine distributed among 27 beneficiaries in district of Kupwara, J&K



Punjab State Red Cross Branch in collaboration with St John Brigade New Delhi, Punjab Home Guard Division Amritsar and District Red Cross Branches of Faridkot, Hoshiarpur, Ludhiana, Patiala & Tarn Taran had established 12 First Aid Posts during Holla Mohalla at Sri Anandpur Sahib from 27th to 29th March 2021

Congratulations!



IRCS- Telangana State General Secretary Shri Madan Mohan was felicitated by Hon'ble Governor of the State Dr.(Smt.) Tamilisai Soundararajan for his contribution in a project by the National Institute of Nutrition to improve the nutritional status of the vulnerable in 3 districts (Bhadrachalam, Adilabad, and Nagarkurnool) of Telangana.



Harish L Metha, Chairman of IRCS Tamilnadu unanimously elected as President of Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for three years at AGM held on 22nd March 2021

Celebration of Important days

International Women's Day



International Women's Day, Pune district branch, Maharashtra



International Women's Day, Dhamtari, Chhattisgarh



On account of **Maha shivratri** IRCS Odisha branch provided Stretcher, Drinking water, Water sprinkles, First - Aid services at Lingaraj Temple, Bhubaneswar in a social service camp.



On account of International Women's Day, the IRCS Karnataka state branch felicitated women at Empress Junior college and distributed kitchen set amongst economically backward class women.



Chhattisgarh state branch, Raipur



Distribution of Masks by JRC volunteers- Kanker branch, Chhattisgarh



National Integrated Forum of Artists & Activists (NIFA) conducted Blood & Plasma Donation Camps all across the country in collaboration with Indian Red Cross Society State & UT branches on Shaheed Diwas, Martyrdom Day of Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Rajguru, & Sukhdev who laid down their lives for the freedom of our country.



In support of the noble work being done by FOGCI in observation of International women's Day 8th March 2021, IRCS Imphal West District Branch Chairman Dr.Koijam Arunkanta emphasized awareness for Cervical and Breast Cancer for Uplifting Women's Health by Preventing Cervical Cancer in Women



National Safety Week was observed in Boudh Distillery Pvt. Ltd. First-Aid and Fire fighting training was imparted to the Workers

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प्रचार्य विद्यालय, कामान
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