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Recent Updates

Distribution of relief aid continues in Amphan affected areas of **West Bengal**. Recently, 300 tarpaulins, 400 food packets (to mothers & children) & 150 sanitary napkins (to girls & women) were distributed in the Block of Basanti, South 24 Parganas.

In association with the District Administration, IRCS **Karnataka** has distributed 1 lakh fruit juice tetra packs and 1 lakh bottles of fruit juice & nutritious drinks, received in donation, among needy people across the State.

Recently, IRCS Warangal (U) Blood Bank, **Telangana** collected 191 units of blood at Ghanpur Station. In Mancherla, **Telangana**, 101 units of blood was collected. IRCS thanks all donors & donor organizations for their support during this crisis!

Red Cross volunteers of Sonamura subdivision, **Tripura** are working with the Government medical team to motivate people to give their samples for COVID swab testing. Volunteers are also creating awareness & providing counselling to the people in containment zones.

Volunteers of IRCS **Punjab** are providing masks to patients of TB enrolled under its TB Project to ensure the safety of the most vulnerable sections.



Stock Availability NHQ Blood Bank

Update from 19th to 22nd June, 2020

Units **Collected** : 274

Units **Issued** : 440

Units Available Today-

103 units of **PRBC**,

80 units of **PC**,

540 units of **FFP**; **107** units of **WB**

Despatch to State/UT Branches

IRCS Jammu & Kashmir:

Face Masks: **15,000**;

Gloves: **4000 pairs**; Face shields:

270; PPEs: **100**



International Yoga Day



Across the country, Red Crossers celebrated the International Yoga Day on June 21st to create awareness on the important role Yoga plays in keeping a person strong and healthy, not just physically but also mentally. Sessions were conducted in adherence to all COVID19 safety precautions.

Popular on Social Media- Donate Blood for Thalassemics

Patients of **Thalassemia** need frequent and regular blood transfusions to **SURVIVE**. **EVEN DURING COVID19**. We urge you to donate blood to save their lives. Please call us on **011-23359379, 9319982104** or **9319982105** for any related query.

Patients of **Thalassemia** need your support.

All you need is **15 minutes**.



Donate blood today. **Save lives.**



156 units of blood was collected by IRCS **Anand Blood Bank** in **Gujarat**.

Lives Impacted- **Saving Lives, Changing Minds**

The COVID19 pandemic is unlike anything the world has ever experienced before. As countries across the world struggle to contain the outbreak, India implemented a timely lockdown to successfully slow the rate of transmission of the virus and keep its citizens safe. However, the lockdown ended up leaving several people such as those who were traveling or were away from home stranded in its wake. **IRCS Pune, Maharashtra** came to the timely rescue of one such person in dire need of help during the lockdown period. Natasha (name changed to protect privacy) is a patient of HIV & is registered for treatment in Jabalpur. In the second week of March, she reached Pune to visit her relatives with medicines requisite for the travel duration. All pandemonium broke loose when the lockdown was announced and Natasha was left stranded in Pune with her depleting stock of medicines. Natasha did not know whom to approach for help or how to replenish her stock of expensive medicines without a doctor's prescription. When the Red Cross team in Pune was contacted for support, their doctor and staff immediately got in touch with doctors from Jabalpur Government Hospital, requesting them to send her prescription and all related documents over phone so that her medicines could be procured locally. Not just this, Red Crossers reached Natasha at her doorstep with medicines for one month & assured her of all possible help in the future. Natasha, her family and relatives are very grateful to Red Crossers who left no stone unturned to ensure that she receives her life saving medicines on time and does not have to miss even a single day's dosage.

Since the last two months, dedicated Red Cross **Social Emergency Response Volunteers (SERV)** have been working tirelessly on the frontline as caretakers of COVID19 patients at the Civil Hospital in **Ahmedabad, Gujarat**.



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