Indian Red Cross Society

Pan-India COVID19 Response

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Today's Highlights



IRCS dispatches material to State Branches

IRCS NHQ has dispatched masks, sanitizers and thermal guns to the following State/UT Branches- Tripura, Bihar, J & K, Ladakh, Assam, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh & Haryana.



COVID19 testing kits handed over to Department of Health Research

IRCS handed over COVID19 test kits sourced from abroad to the Department of Health Research. The kits weigh over 130 Kgs and shall test over 50,000 samples. The total cost of these kits amounts to INR 2.43 crores.

Today's Updates



Hon'ble President of India &
President of IRCS, Shri Ram Nath
Kovind ji interacted with
Governors and LGs and
requested them to exhort Red
Cross volunteers to supplement
the community level work relating
to COVID19



15,000 Red Cross volunteers in Karnataka have been enrolled as 'Corona Warriors' to work in tandem with the State Govt. They visited colonies inhabited by labourers & distributed masks, soaps, etc. among them. The State Govt. has sanctioned INR 4.50 crores for Red Cross activities.



Teach a child when s/he is young! Volunteers in West
Bengal are conducting door to door campaigns in rural areas to encourage people to wash their hands properly & regularly to protect themselves from corona



Volunteers in Tripura are leaving no stone unturned to reach the most vulnerable communities with essential relief aid such as food packets & other items



IRCS NHQ Blood Bank has taken measures to meet the additional requirements of Thalassemic patients who are unable to get blood from their designated Blood Banks.



Volunteers in Goa are delivering essential commodities at the doorstep of the elderly & others in need

रेडक्रॉस सोसायटी बांट रही भोजन के पैकेट



Volunteers in Bikaner, Rajasthan are ensuring that the needy receive food twice a day



Volunteers in Himachal Pradesh are visiting doorsteps in remote areas to spread awarenss on COVID19

Red Cross Volunteers in action 30,000













Present across

1100

Red Cross Units in India



Primary Activities

Dissemination & Awareness Creation

Through IEC material developed in local languages.

Campaigns in public places, at doorsteps to reach the last mile

By enforcing social distancing in public places such as pharmacy shops, kirana stores, farmer markets

Distribution of PPE: masks, gloves, sanitizers, soaps











Preparation & Distribution of Food among the needy

Community kitchens being run to prepare & deliver packed food to migrants, homeless, in slums & remote rural areas Dry ration & clean water being distributed

Fruits, water being provided to volunteers & Government staff providing services







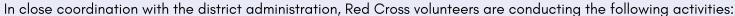


IRCS' Focus (1) (1)









- Community Surveillance to enforce lockdown and social distancing in public places
- Home delivery of essential items such as food, ration, medicines for women headed households, senior citizens, disabled individuals
- Logistic support in running and monitoring quarantine & isolation centers and homes of suspect cases
- Several Red Cross hospitals & cyclone shelters are being converted into Isolation centres for suspect cases
- Where possible, available spaces are being converted into **Shelter Homes** for the needy
- Pilgrims, tourists, migrant labourers, students & others are being provided food & shelter & are being connected with their families

Red Cross owned vehicles have been made available to the local administration for use

Out of the total 89 Red Cross blood banks, many are being run 24/7. All efforts are being made to meet the needs of Thalassemic & other blood transfusion dependent patients. Pick and drop facility is being provided to donors wherever possible.

All precautions are being taken to ensure safety of staff, blood donors and patient attendants.