

Indian Red Cross Society

Pan-India COVID19 Response



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Today's Highlights



Volunteers in Punjab have made personal contributions to provide ration for MDR TB patients

Red Cross reaches out to 32 Assam pilgrims in UP

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Guwahati: The Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) has helped 32 pilgrims from Assam, including two bus staff, stranded in Vrindavan in Uttar Pradesh, establish contact with their family members.

The pilgrims, mostly from the tea community, who are residents of the Borfolong Tea Estate in upper Assam's Golaghat district, had arrived in Vrindavan in a bus after visiting the temple.



IRCS helped 32 Assamese pilgrims stranded in UP establish contact with families in Assam & inform them of their whereabouts



Vadodara Blood Bank started pick and drop facilities for VBDs. Mobile vans were flagged off today

Today's Updates



Today, we handed over 500,000 masks to the Ministry of Health. These were sourced through donation by IRCS & consisted of 450,000 single use masks and 50,000 civilian/surgical masks (technical standard: N95 or similar). Total value amounted to INR 3.5 crores.



Volunteers in Telangana are working along with police personnel & staff from the Health Department to verify the health status of close contacts of covid19 positive cases.



Round the clock, volunteers in Kerela, have been conducting community surveillance of vehicles. They are also using thermal scanners to detect any COVID19 suspects.

11,654 volunteers from **Haryana** State Branch have reached **10,52,882 needy** people with essential relief aid (packed food & dry ration). They are providing **shelter** to more than **11, 703 migrant labourers** & stranded people



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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



Current Focus



In close coordination with the district administration, Red Cross volunteers are conducting the following activities:

- **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.