

Indian Red Cross Society

COVID19 Response- **NHQ Blood Services**



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"Volunteers of IRCS are working proactively and selflessly in the service of the Nation. In the current circumstances, when movement is restricted due to COVID-19, IRCS has come forward to collect blood from donors either by bringing them to the Blood Bank or by collecting it from their location, to maintain a smooth supply of blood services in these testing times. IRCS is actively engaged in providing blood and blood components to the needy patients."

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Hon'ble HFM & Chairman IRCS



Hon'ble HFM & Chairman IRCS **appreciated & thanked the blood donors** at the camp held at IRCS NHQ today. **134 units were collected**



Today, Hon'ble HFM & Chairman IRCS, **Dr. Harsh Vardhan** inaugurated the 'Blood Donation Camp' organized at IRCS NHQ Blood Bank.

He appreciated the initiatives taken by IRCS to encourage donors to come forward during the COVID19 pandemic so that needs of Thalassemics, other blood transfusion dependent patients & the needy can be met. He also encouraged people to come forward and donate blood in the camp

Our Impact during the Lockdown



2120
Units **Collected**



984
Registered **Thalassemics**
1410
Units **issued** to Thalassemics



865
Units **issued** to
Hospital Stock



4984
Blood/Blood
Components prepared



3053
Total units issued to
Govt. & Private
Hospitals



18
Camps conducted

Our 24/7 Control Room



Operational Since:
April 13th, 2020



1000+
Calls received



350+
Blood donations
facilitated



150+
Blood seekers
aided



300+
Other Services
facilitated



200+
Food requirements
facilitated

Updates from NHQ

Blood Bank- NHQ

Units **Issued** : **79**

Units **Available** -

180 units of **PRBC**, **58** units
of **Platelet Concentrate**,
1451 units of **FFP**

Our 24/7 Control Room



"Working in the 24/7 control room has been an enriching & satisfying experience for me. I am very happy and proud to have gotten this opportunity to help and serve the needy during a crisis situation like this. I want to thank Indian Red Cross Society for placing faith in me in this critical hour."

Aayushi Gupta, a volunteer working in the 24/7 Control Room at IRCS NHQ

Hon'ble HFM (Chairman IRCS) interacted with the team managing the 24/7 Control Room at IRCS NHQ



The faces behind our success! Meet the dedicated team!



"I needed blood urgently for someone in immediate need & was not able to get it anywhere. However, on reaching Red Cross Blood Bank, I got the required units instantly. My friend who accompanied me also donated blood. I too donate blood often & encourage everyone to do so."

Saurabh Verma, a beneficiary at IRCS NHQ Blood Bank

Special precautions taken by NHQ Blood Bank during COVID19:

- Social distancing
- Regularly sanitizing & disinfecting the premises
- Cleaning of couches after each donation
- Protection of donors through head covers, shoe covers, etc.
- Temperature scanning by infrared thermal guns
- Sanitizers used at every station
- Counselling for Convalescent Plasma Donations through 24/7 Control room
- Supporting Thalassemics registered with other blood banks in NCR for transfusion



A **relief consignment**, comprising of hand sanitizers, gloves, masks, wipes, disinfectants & shoe covers was received as a gift from **UAE**. The total weight of the material received is **8 metric tonnes**. IRCS NHQ appreciates this kind gesture & is grateful to the donor for their generosity