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## From the Desk of The Secretary-General



As temperatures soar & we find ourselves amidst a sweltering summer. I want to express my deepest gratitude to each one of our volunteers who are dedicating their time & effort to serve the needy during these challenging times.

Your selfless acts of kindness & compassion have made a significant difference in the lives of those who are most vulnerable to the effects of heat waves. Whether it's distributing cold water & refreshing snacks, providing access to cooling centers, or offering a friendly ear & a comforting presence, your contributions have provided much-needed relief and support to individuals & families in our community.

As we continue to navigate the challenges of this summer season, please know that your efforts have not gone unnoticed or unappreciated. You are the heart and soul of our organization, & we are incredibly grateful for everything you do.

This month Sh. Shivdular Singh Dhillon, Member National Managing Body, IRCS, & Secretary, IRCS, Punjab State Branch attended 6th Commonwealth Red Cross Red Crescent Conference on International Humanitarian Law, held at Pretoria, South Africa.

I am pleased to inform you that this month we held several important meetings including meetings of various committees of the Managing Body.

I would like to welcome Mr. A.N Narayanan who has joined as Officer on Special Duty in IRCS, NHQ.

I would also like to appreciate the tireless work of the staff & volunteers of IRCS branches who are continuously providing relief in the form of food, clean water, hygiene kits, tarpaulins, kitchen sets & other medical care to those who have lost everything and ensuring their safety during any disaster or crisis.

I would like to appreciate the IRCS, state branch's initiative of creating an awareness on first aid training to the people across its districts. Emergency first aid training, particularly training in CPR, empowers everyone to save lives.

The branches observed many important days in April like World Health Day, World Haemophilia Day, World Malaria Day, World Earth Day, etc. Such occasions give us an opportunity to connect with people & create awareness about Red Cross.



Shivdular Singh Dhillon, Member National Managing Body, IRCS, & Secretary, IRCS, Punjab State Branch attended 6th Commonwealth Red Cross & Red Crescent Conference on International Humanitarian Law, held at Pretoria, South Africa from 15th to 19th April 2024.

The theme of the conference was "Towards a universal culture of compliance: The contribution of the Commonwealth to the implementation and development of International Humanitarian Law".

The conference marked 75 years of the Geneva Conventions and was held also as a preparatory meeting for the 34th International Conference of the Red Cross & Red Crescent to be held in Geneva in October 2024.

There were a total of 99 participants including the representatives of ICRC and the observers from various International Organisations.



Shivdular Singh Dhillon



## Meetings of IRCS, NHQ



In his first visit to the Regional Delegation in New Delhi, Yoann Davison, Operations Coordinator for Asia and the Pacific, held important meetings with ministries and had productive engagements with the Indian Red Cross NHQ and Red Cross Gujarat state branch

29th April, 2024; Secretary General had a zoom meeting with Mr. Gintare Guzeviciute, Sr. Advisor & Leadership Transformation, Solferino Academy, IFRC

15th April, 2024; Secretary General, IRCS, NHQ had a meeting with Secretary Health on new IRCS Bill.

18th April, 2024, Virtual meeting on IRCS bill, 2024.

19th April, 2024, Warehouse and Property Development Committee Meeting was held virtually.

The Selection Committee of IRCS conducted interviews for the posts of Joint Secretary, OSD and Young professionals. The Selection Committee shortlisted, Mr. A.N Narayanan as OSD and who has joined IRCS, NHQ. Offer letters have been issued to 3 Young Professionals.



Blood donation camp, Bishnupur district branch, Manipur



Blood donation camp, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Telangana

## IRCS NHQ Blood Centre

Donate blood and be the reason for someone's existence



### The Month of April, 2024

Donors – 1927  
Voluntary Donors in camps — 1612  
Voluntary Donors in-house — 315  
No. of camps - 24  
Blood/Blood Components issued - 2572 units



### 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 issue of blood**



Donate blood and save lives

### World Hemophilia Day -2024

**Bleeding disorders are not the end of the world; you could still lead a normal life**



In 1989, the World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH) started the first-ever World Hemophilia Day to raise awareness about hemophilia and other bleeding disorders. April 17 was chosen as the date in memory of Frank Schnabel, who was born on that day in 1942 and dedicated his life to improving the lives of people affected by bleeding disorders.

Hemophilia is sometimes referred to as "the royal disease," because it affected the royal families of England, Germany, Russia and Spain in the 19th and 20th centuries. It is a rare and serious disease affecting approx 1 out of 10,000 people around the world. Many people with haemophilia are still undiagnosed or inadequately treated. Even when treated, people may suffer from chronic pain and limited mobility mainly due to bleeds in the joints, and if undertreated or not treated at all, risk dying at a young age.

This year 2024, World Hemophilia Day theme is "Equitable access for all: recognizing all bleeding disorders". This theme emphasizes treatment for all and envisions a society in which every individual with inherited bleeding disorders has access to care, regardless of their kind of bleeding condition, gender, age, or location.

India is home to the second largest population of patients living with hemophilia. The poor availability of diagnostic and treatment facilities, along with the lack of awareness about hemophilia amongst primary care physicians and specialists is a major obstacle for the management of hemophilia.

Care of hemophilia has improved a lot in the last decade with an increase in hemophilia treatment centres and free factor injections, that help in blood clotting. In developed countries, majority of the patients are on regular replacement therapy which decreases or prevents bleeding.

Recently India have conducted the first human clinical trial of gene therapy for haemophilia A (FVIII deficiency) at Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore. The trials involved deploying a novel technology of using a lentiviral vector to express a FVIII transgene in the patient's own haematopoietic stem cell which will then express FVIII from specific differentiated blood cells. Hence there is a hope that manufacturing of this vector will commence soon in India and proceed with further clinical trials.

Let's join people across the globe observing World Hemophilia Day to acknowledge volunteers, who support the hemophilia community and raise awareness about the condition.

Anant Pandhare

Vice Chairman, IRCS, NHQ

Thank you, donors!



Blood donor being felicitated at blood donation camp, Chennai, Tamil Nadu



Blood donation camp, Goa



## Distribution of Relief Materials



Mr. Raman Kumar Sinha, a resident of Subhankarpur ward, Darbhanga, Bihar, who is suffering from post-traumatic paraplegia, was provided with a wheelchair, and Sh. Nagendra Yadav, resident of Bharaul, a fire victim, received utensils.



Volunteers of IRCS West Bengal state branch provided relief assistance to the victims of storm hit areas of Jalpaiguri



Volunteers of IRCS Nellore district branch, Andhra Pradesh provided relief assistance to the victims of road accident. Volunteers cleared highway traffic and transferred the deceased to the nearby Govt hospital.



Indian Red Cross Society, Manipur State Branch handed over Tarpaulins and Hygiene kits to 11 windstorm affected families of Imphal East.



Distribution of dry ration and other relief items among 85 fire affected families, Bettiah, Bihar

## Miscellaneous Activities



To emphasize on the role yoga plays in our lives and to sensitize people about its benefits that can be utilized to curb drug menace and get the life of drug addicts on track, a thirty Minute Yoga protocol for de-addiction was introduced by the team of Doctors in the yoga camp organised at Red Cross De-addiction and Rehabilitation Center Nawanshahr, Punjab.



An exhibition cum event named TARANG was organized by Centre for Social Work at Punjab University, Chandigarh in which 45 organisations participated including Indian Red Cross Society, Punjab State Branch, Chandigarh. The event TARANG was organized for local artisans, non-governmental organizations, student startups and Self Help Groups (SHG's) etc. to raise awareness among the most vulnerable population so that they change their ways of life to achieve more economically sustainable life.



## Trainings & Workshops



First aid training was conducted for DBS bank staff, Chennai, Tamil Nadu



First Aid training at KMTL, Manipur



First Aid training at JJ School, Ghari by IRCS, Manipur State Branch.



First Aid training, Davanagere, Karnataka



First aid training at state level flood relief training camp, Braham Sarover, Kurukshetra, Haryana



Basic life support & CPR awareness program were imparted to the volunteers of the National Academy of Construction (Skill Development Training Institute), of Telangana State, Kondapur, Rangareddy district with support of Indian Red Cross Society, Rangareddy district branch.



Youth volunteers of IRCS, Imphal West District Branch under the guidance of Dr. Bankimchandra Thokchom (Master Trainer) conducted a Basic First Aid training program at 86 Bn CRPF



# Celebration of Important Days

## World Health Day



Celebration of World Health Day 2024, Patna, Bihar



A lecture on health awareness was organised at Red Cross Drug de-addiction Centre, Saket Hospital, Patiala, Punjab by following this year theme for World Health Day ; My Health, My Right to raise awareness about the importance of global health



IRCS DB Keonjhar celebrated World Health Day



North 24 Parganas celebrated World Health Day



Indian Red Cross Society, Darrang District Branch (Assam) celebrated World Health Day

## Miscellaneous Activities



On 13th Apr 2024, Red Cross Drug De-addiction and Rehabilitation Centre, Nawanshahr, Punjab celebrated vaisakh sangrand .



Sr.Citizens & divyang sewa by YRC Volunteers, DRCS Jhajjar, Haryana



## Health Camps



Health checkup, Bhiwani, Haryana



Red Cross drug addiction and rehabilitation centre Gurdaspur organized an awareness camp at Shivalik Public school GURDASPUR under "Nasha Mukat Bharat Abhiyaan



An awareness seminar was organised by team Red Cross drug de-addiction centre, Gurdaspur at Sports stadium, Government college, Gurdaspur.



A drug awareness camp was organized under the "Nasha Mukat Bharat Abhiyan" at St. John Convent School Kahnawan, by the Red Cross de-addiction and rehabilitation center, Gurdaspur, Punjab.

## Welcome



A.N. Narayanan joined as Officer on Special Duty (OSD) at IRCS, NHQ

## Miscellaneous Activities



Awareness on heat stroke and its prevention, Chhapra, Bihar



An awareness session on drug de-addiction was organised under the "Nasha Mukat Bharat Abhiyan" at village Chahal Kalan by the Red Cross De-addiction and Rehabilitation Center, Nawanshahar, Punjab.



**STATE**

**Assam Rifles conduct medical camps**  
DIMAPUR: Assam Rifles,

**Joint social work**  
DIMAPUR: In a joint effort to curb the menace of dumping garbage at Dimapur Government Col-

in collaboration with the Indian Red Cross Society, Nagaland (IRCSN) and Centre of Naga Hospital, organized a blood donation and medical camp on April 6 at New Minister Hill in Kohima.

AR said skilled medical professionals from the Asian Redf. IRCSN, and Naga Hospital provided free consultations and essential medication to all attendees.

Furthermore, informative sessions were conducted to educate the public on various health-related topics, promoting a healthy lifestyle. A total of 61 individuals donated blood, while 124 individuals took advantage of the medical camp services.

The day (DGC) was also during the National Highway-56 and to the office of the Department of Health and Family Welfare. A joint session (DGC) was held on April 6.

A press release by the Nagaland Government College Students' Council (DGC) stated that the joint session was conducted in collaboration with the Municipal Council (DMC) and the National Council of the National Service Scheme (NSS) of DGC. DGCs said despite repeated warnings by the authorities, the public turn deaf ears to

## EARLY TIMES REPORT

AMMIL, Apr 8: Organized Cross Society, AKK UT indicated three days First-Aid training programme for the employees of Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., Industrial Fuel Station, Jamnagar and Gravity Metal Inc. S. N. Patel, Industrial State, Karbuva, we of 4th April to 8th April, 2024.

During the three days training, different topics were covered like various techniques of Disaster Management during Earthquakes, Fires, Floods, First-Aid Kit, wounds, bandages, types of fractures, bleeding emergencies, burns etc.

Emergency technique of Stancily bleeding patient

Pharmacist and Sh. Jignendra Kumar Pharmacist, IBCS, Jamnagar. Along with a special lecture on Drug De-addiction, he also organized and free eye check-up



*Participants during first aid training programme organized by Red Cross Shawan at Jammu.*

The practical and theoretical lectures were laid by Dr. Kavita Nibhon Verma &

■ शिविर लगाकर लोगों को गर्मी से बचाने के लिए...

प्रधानमंत्री डॉ. वाघाई सिन्हा को अत्यन्त बत में राहत एवं आपदा प्रबंधन समिति की बैठक हुई।

बैठक में सर्वसम्मति से यह निर्णय लिया गया कि आने वाली भीषण गर्मी की लहर से बचाव के लिए लोगों को जागरूक करना है। शिविर लागाने लोगों को लू से बचाव के उपाय बताए जाएंगे। बैठक में आईआरसीएस बिहार के उपाध्यक्ष उदय शंकर प्रसाद सिंह, राहत एवं आपदा प्रबंधन समिति के

**लू लम्बने पर यह करें उपाय**

बैठक में शामिल सदस्यों ने बताया कि लू लगने पर आमतौर पर निम्नीकरण, गर्मी की ऐदन, थकवट या होट स्ट्रोक जैसी समस्याएँ उत्पन्न हो सकती हैं। इसका समरा पर इलाज नहीं होने पर जान भी जा सकती है। लू लगने पर व्यक्ति को किसी ठंडी जगह

पर ले जान चाहिए। पखा, झेलना चाहिए। थोथत बेडोड हो जाते तो डॉक्टर से साराफा लेते चाहिए। लोगों को एक आपाकालीन बिट्टे जिसमें एक पानी का बोतल, छाता, टोपी, हाथ पकड़ा, पलेटोलाइट, मुन्डोको हो उसे हमेशा धारत रखना चाहिए।

सदस्य अजित सिंह, डॉ. गिरिश पांडेय के प्रबंधक गोपाल प्रसाद, सुरेश कुमार आदि मौजूद रहे।

RICT Dated: Monday 08, April, 2024

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इंडियन रेजिस्ट्रार सोसाइटी (विचार राजन) में पुष्पहार चारमेन को, विनय बहदुर सिन्हा को अइँसावना में आपत जेकड़ हूँ।  
इंडियन मेडिकल बिभाग (मौसम) में अदरल से जुन के बंध, पाँच तक जे जुलाई में भी देश के उत्तर-पश्चिमी भाग में असमायज रूप से उग्र तामनाम होने का अनुमान लाय्य है। इसमें भीषण भागी की लहर चलने की संभावना है। बचाव के लिए मौसम बिभाग ने कुछ महत्वपूर्ण सुझाव दिए हैं। इसके मंत्रिजुर इड्रोसिरी राज्य के सभी जिलों में स्थानीय शाखा के नायब से बचाव के लिए प्रचार-प्रसार करने का निम्ना उठाया है। इसकी पुष्टि चेयरमेन ने भी की। उद्देश्य बताया कि गमी से होने वाली परेशानी के बारे में

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तीन माह पर सुविधा, कोई शुल्क नहीं

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स्क्रीनिंग विस्तारित करेगा। स्क्रीनिंग के दौरान जो भी जांच जरूरी होगी, वो कराई जाएगी। उसमें हेचर पाटा एक साल तक कोई शुल्क नहीं देना होगा। सोसाइटी के चेयरमैन डॉ. विनय बाबुदुर सिन्हा ने कहा कि जांच के दौरान किसी भी बीमारी का पता चलता है तो उसे जल्द उपचार देना पड़ेगा।

उसका इलाज भी न्यूनतम शुल्क पर किया जाएगा। इस व्यवस्था को अधिक से अधिक लोग लाभ उठा सकते हैं और खुद को स्वस्थ रख सकते हैं। इस तरह विरथ स्वास्थ्य दिवस का बीम मेरा स्वास्थ्य, मेरा अधिकार है।

किशोरी में हर स्वास्थ्य व्यक्ति का स्क्रीनिंग अनिवार्य है। यदि किसी स्त्री में भी विरथता स्वास्थ्य स्क्रीनिंग कराए तो किसी भी बीमारी की उस पर पहचान हो जाएगी और उसका इलाज भी समय पर हो जाएगा। कोई बीमारी भीतर नहीं होगी। लो आर्थिक वर्गों में के कारण स्क्रीनिंग नहीं आती है। रेडक्रॉस में यह वि

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**earlyTIMES** | **JAMM**

पानवत, 12 अगस्त (भा.र.) : उपकुपित एवं विद्रोही हैदराबाद सेवादात्री के अध्यक्ष डॉ. वीरेंद्र कुमार दौबिया के माध्यम से न्यूयॉर्क काइरफोन के तहत डॉ. सेठु सिद्धिन्त हैदराबाद भवन में आयोजित सहभागी प्रसिध्दा प्राप्त कर रहे सिद्धिन्त औद्योगिक इकायों के प्रबंधकों को मानदण्ड के प्रति सावधान किया गया।

हैदराबाद साहित्यिक गुरु सम्मेलन ने बताया कि महाद्वार दिवस के दिन सबसे पहले महाद्वार प्रति जलपान स्थल पर तहत लोगों को जागरूक किया जा रहा है।

उन्होंने सभी को लोकांतरित मण्डलीयों को प्रमाण प्रस्तुत हुए स्वयंसेवक, निष्पक्ष व निष्ठापूर्ण कार्य, धर्म, जाति, समुदाय, भाषा व अन्य विस्मृति

भी प्रमाणित से प्रभावित हुए विचारों को दृष्टिगत रखते व माध्यमिक के प्रयोग के लिए साधन दिलाते।

जहाँ मानव करने के लिए दिव्यताओं को स्वयंसेवक सहभागी एवं उर्ध्व मानव के साथ कर्तव्य के लिए प्रेरित किया। उन्होंने कहा कि लोग मानव दिवस पर सबसे पहले बोट डाल कर आए और बाद में अन्य कार्य को करवाकर हवा का सबसे जल्दी कार्य है।

इस अवसर पर प्रसिध्दागत अक्षरकार हरीमन चंद, रत्न केकरे, ईश्वरजी, डॉ. पूजा सिंघाण, हैदराबाद आर.सी.आई.टी. निदेशक प्रमोद सिंह, वन प्रोटेक्टर रत्न सहभागी सुनील कुमार व प्रवक्ता कला भारद्वाज मौजूद रहे।

### Indian Red Cross Society engages in community outreach

**EARLY** April 30 is the date of the 1994 World Bank Conference on World Bank Group activities in the World Bank Group, which is being held in Washington, D.C. The conference is being organized by the World Bank Group, the International Monetary Fund (IMF), and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). The conference will focus on the theme of "The World Bank Group: A New Agenda for the 1990s". The conference will be held in the Washington Convention Center, which is the largest convention center in the world. The conference will be held in the Washington Convention Center, which is the largest convention center in the world.

गरहा टोला के अग्निपीड़ितों  
के बीच राहत सामग्री वितरित

तीन माह पर सुविधा, कोई शुल्क नहीं

देवच खिंदर / घटना

इंदियन रेडक्रॉस सोसाइटी (बिहार शाखा) के पोलो क्लिनिक में 100 साल के तीन-पहलू करतक एक लाख तक तीन-पहलू माह पर स्वास्थ्य जांच (स्क्रीनिंग) निःशुल्क करा सकते हैं। बिहार स्वास्थ्य विभाग पर रेडक्रॉस ने यह घोषणा की है। स्क्रीनिंग क्लिनिक करीब। स्क्रीनिंग के दौरान जो भी जांच जरूरी होगी, वो कराई जाएगी। उससे ईसए एक साल तक कोई शुल्क नहीं देना होगा। सोसाइटी के चैरमैन डॉ. विजय बहादुर सिन्हा ने कहा कि जांच के दौरान किसी बीमारी को पता चलने से तो उसे उपचकार करने में मदद

उसका इलाज भी न्यूनतम शुल्क पर किया जाएगा। इस व्यवस्था को अधिक से अधिक लोग लाभ उठा सकते हैं और खुद को स्वस्थ रख सकते हैं। इस तरह बिहार स्वास्थ्य विभाग के बीमा मेर स्वास्थ्य, मेरा अधिकार' में हर स्वास्थ्य व्यक्ति की स्क्रीनिंग अभियान है। यदि बिहार के लोग भी नियमित स्वास्थ्य स्क्रीनिंग करायें तो किसी भी बीमारी को समय पर पहचान भी जाएगी और उसका इलाज सही समय पर हो जाएगा। लोग अधिक खर्च होने के कारण स्क्रीनिंग नहीं करते हैं। रेडक्रॉस में यह बिना

घटना / ईशम शोषित कपिल

अरुण के पीछे वैसे फलन खान के तहत मगर ल्हावी और रूके दौरान लोग के स्वास्थ्य (विशेष तौर पर बच्चों, गर्भवती और माताओं) की सुरक्षा के लिए वो जाने वाली कर्तव्यों से संबंधित निर्देश दिया है। उन्होंने 15 बिभागों को भेजा और संज्ञक वही लो कहा है। अस्पतालों में हीट स्ट्रोक में प्रयोग की जाने वाली दवाएं पार्थिव मात में उपलब्ध रखने का लक्ष्य। लु चुनेन पर बच्चे, गर्भवती, धात्री माहवार, बुढ़नन और फकी से किसी बीमारी से प्रसित लोग जोरिम में पड़ सकते हैं।

दरभंगा, एक प्रगतिनिधि। भारतीय रेडक्रास सोसाइटी, दरभंगा शाखा के सदस्यों ने गुरुवार को तननुसा बाबू के पछोटी टोला में अग्निपरीक्षा के बीच राहत सामग्री वितरित की। तीन दिन राहत खास बनाने के क्रम में भीषण अवस्था की हुई थी। निराश्रमों पर परिवारों के घर जल गए थे।

सूचना मिलित पर कोषाध्यक्ष राघवेन्द्र कुमार ने मुखिया व सामाजिक कार्यकर्ता मुन्ना खान से जायज लेकर पूरी टोला के साथ पंचसंस्कार राहत सामग्री का वितरण किया। विहार राज्य प्रतिनिधि डॉ. राम बाबू खेतान, संयुक्त

चेयरमैन डॉ. बोधी झाटी, सहचिव मनमोहन सारथी व कोषाध्यक्ष राघवेन्द्र कुमार के नेतृत्व में पीछाट परिवारों को हिलापल, बर्तन सेट, दो मखनदासी, स्वस्थ सम्बन्धी सामान वगैरे पाने उपयोग को सामग्री दी गयी। मौके पर संस्थक आराम पात्र, मनोवैज्ञानिक, मेनेजिंग कमेटी के सदस्य आशीष तामर, रविंद्र पाण्डे, आशीष कुमार, मनीष कुमार सिंह, सत्यम दिनेश शर्मा, सामाजिक कार्यकर्ता संतोष कुमार, मुखिया प्रतिनिधि हसरत खां, मुन्ना खां, नदीम अमरुज खां वगैरे वहाँ अन्य लोग उपस्थित थे।

हिन्दुस्तान 03.05.2024

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# SPECIAL EDITION

## WORLD RED CROSS DAY 2024

Keeping  
*Humanity*  
alive

World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day celebrated on 8 May is of significance. This day we honour the legacy of Henry Dunant, the founder of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, and the Movement's enduring commitment to humanitarian action for over 160 years. This year's theme "**Keeping humanity alive**" resonates deeply with the spirit of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement in a world inundated by armed conflict and violence, natural disasters, climate-related crises, epidemics, food insecurity and mass displacement.



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#### Message from the Vice Chairman on World Red Cross Day, 2024



Dear Friends,

As we commemorate World Red Cross Day 2024, it is with deep gratitude and admiration that I extend my warmest greetings to all members and volunteers of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement.

This year's theme, "Keeping Humanity Alive," resonates profoundly with the ongoing challenges and triumphs we face as a global community. In the face of adversity, conflict, and natural disasters, the Red Cross continues to be a beacon of hope, compassion, and resilience, tirelessly working to alleviate suffering and protect the most vulnerable.

Today, we honor the unwavering dedication and selfless service of our volunteers, staff, and partners who embody the spirit of humanity in action. Your courage, compassion, and commitment to serving others inspire us all to strive for a world where every individual is treated with dignity, respect, and empathy.

As we reflect on over 100 years of IRCS and look ahead to the future, let us renew our pledge to uphold the fundamental principles of the Red Cross Movement: humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity, and universality. Together, let us continue to uphold these principles as guiding lights in our mission to alleviate human suffering and promote peace, health, and dignity for all.

On this World Red Cross Day, let us reaffirm our shared humanity and our collective responsibility to make a positive difference in the lives of others. Together, we can keep the flame of humanity burning bright, ensuring that no one is left behind. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to keeping humanity alive.

With warm regards,

**Dr. Anant Pandhare**  
Vice Chairman  
Indian Red Cross Society.



## **Message from the Secretary General on World Red Cross Day 2024**



*"One way or another, we all have to find what best fosters the flowering of our humanity in this contemporary life and dedicate ourselves to that."*  
– Joseph Campbell

*In a world often marked by strife, division, and adversity, the essence of humanity rises above adversity and upholds the values that define our shared humanity.*

*As we commemorate this occasion in 2024, the theme "Keeping Humanity Alive" serves as a poignant reminder of the enduring commitment of the Red Cross Movement to uphold human dignity, alleviate suffering, and extend assistance to people facing dire circumstances, particularly in remote and hard-to-reach areas.*

*In Indian philosophy, the concept of keeping humanity alive is deeply rooted in the ethical and spiritual teachings that guide individuals towards leading a life of compassion, integrity, and service. Across various philosophical traditions such as Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, and Sikhism, there are profound insights and principles that emphasize the importance of nurturing humanity in both individual and collective spheres. It is not merely a philosophical concept but a call to action—a commitment to embodying noble virtues, promoting social harmony, and working towards the well-being and upliftment of all beings.*

*In the Indian Vedas, the concept of keeping humanity alive is conveyed through various hymns, verses, and philosophical teachings that emphasize the importance of ethical conduct, compassion, and service to others. "समानं मन्तः समितिः समानी समानं मनसः चित्तमेषाम्। समानम् मन्तम् अभि मन्तये वः समानेन वो हविषा जुहोमि"; This hymn from the Rigveda extols the principle of sameness and equality in thought and action.*

*As we observe World Red Cross Day, let us pay tribute to the resilience of the human spirit and the power of compassion to overcome adversity. Volunteers are the backbone of Indian Red Cross activities, enabling branches to execute successful initiatives and benefiting millions of disadvantaged people. Let us honour the countless volunteers and staff who work tirelessly to bring relief and hope to those facing the greatest hardships. And let us recommit ourselves to the noble cause of humanity, ensuring that the principles of compassion, dignity, and solidarity remain at the forefront of our collective efforts to build a better world for all. I wish all Red Cross governance, staff and volunteers a happy World Red Cross Day.*

  
R.K. Jain

Secretary General, IRCS



## **Message from the Joint Secretary on World Red Cross Day, 2024**



*Dear esteemed colleagues, volunteers, and supporters,*

*On this esteemed occasion of World Red Cross Day 2024, it is with great reverence that I extend my heartfelt greetings to each one of you. Today, as we reflect on the enduring legacy of the Red Cross movement, we are reminded of our shared commitment to the timeless theme of "Keeping Humanity Alive."*

*In a world marked by strife, uncertainty, and adversities of all kinds, the Red Cross stands as a beacon of hope, compassion, and solidarity. Our collective efforts, guided by the principles of humanity and service, continue to uplift and empower those who are most vulnerable and marginalized.*

*As Joint Secretary, I am deeply humbled by the extraordinary dedication and selflessness exhibited by our volunteers and staff members, whose tireless actions exemplify the true spirit of humanity. Whether it be providing emergency relief in the aftermath of disasters, offering essential healthcare services to communities in need, or advocating for the rights and dignity of the most marginalized populations, your unwavering commitment embodies the essence of the Red Cross mission.*

*On this momentous occasion, let us reaffirm our pledge to uphold the sanctity of human life and dignity in all that we do. Let us recognize the inherent worth and equality of every individual, irrespective of their background, beliefs, or circumstances. Let us strive to create a world where compassion, empathy, and solidarity reign supreme, and where no one is left behind or forgotten.*

*As we commemorate World Red Cross Day, let us honour the countless lives touched and transformed by our collective efforts. Let us celebrate the resilience and strength of individuals and communities who, in the face of adversity, continue to uphold the values of compassion, generosity, and unity.*

*Together, let us recommit ourselves to the noble cause of "Keeping Humanity Alive," and let our actions serve as a testament to the enduring power of compassion and solidarity.*

*Thank you for your unwavering dedication and steadfast support.*

*With warm regards,*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Dr. Anoop Kumar Puri".

*Dr. Anoop Kumar Puri*

*Joint Secretary, IRCS*

*Indian Red Cross Society*





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# WORLD RED CROSS DAY

8<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2024

**THEME: KEEPING HUMANITY ALIVE**

INDIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY, NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, NEW DELHI



With the garlanding of the bust of Jean Henry Dunant, founder of the Red Cross, on World Red Cross Day 2024 celebrations were started at NHQ. Secretary General, IRCS, NHQ, Sh. R.K. Jain, Joint Secretary, IRCS, NHQ, Dr. Anoop Kumar Puri, Mr. Kedir Awol Omar, Head of Regional Delegation, ICRC and Dr. Vanshree Singh, Director Blood Centre, IRCS, NHQ were among those who garlanded the bust of Henry Dunant.





Tributes were paid to the founder of the Red Cross by the ICRC, NHQ Secretary General, Sh. R.K. Jain, Joint Secretary, Dr. Anoop Kumar Puri and Head of Regional Delegation, ICRC, Mr. Kedir Awol Omar together with staff and officials of the ICRC, IFRC, and ICRC.





A seminar on the theme was held at IRCS NHQ in which the Vice Chairman, IRCS, Dr. Anant Pandhare joined virtually from Sivasagar, Assam, where he attended World Red Cross Day 2024. Dr. Anant Pandhare extended greetings to all members and volunteers and said, ***"Your courage, compassion, and commitment to serving others inspire us all to strive for a world where every individual is treated with dignity, respect, and empathy."*** He also informed in his address that a road in Sivasagar city is named after Red Cross showing the significance of the organisation.



Secretary General, IRCS, Sh. R.K Jain, Joint Secretary, Dr. Anoop Kumar Puri, Head of the Regional Delegation, ICRC, Mr. Kedir Awol Omar addressed the staff, officials, National Managing Body Members, Chairman and Secretaries of State and UT branches who joined virtually. Dr. Vanshree Singh, Director, Blood Center proposed vote of thanks.





# Slogan Competition

A slogan competition was organised on the theme **Keeping Humanity Alive** for the World Red Cross Day 2024. 134 entries were received at the Indian Red Cross National Headquarters. Secretary General, Mr. R. K. Jain, Head of ICRC Regional Delegation, Mr. Kedir Awol Omar & Joint Secretary, IRCS,NHQ Dr. Anoop Kumar Puri felicitated the winners. Ms. Rina Tripathi, DM, Advisor announced the awards.

The winners of this competition are as follows;

## Congratulations



**Best slogan - Sustaining Humanity's legacy- MANAVTA KI VIRASAT KO KAYAM RAKHNA** coined by **Ms. Garima**, Department/Course & Semester : UIET (BCA 2nd Semester) Maharshi Dayanand University (Rohtak, Haryana)



**1st highly acclaimed slogan - Ms. Rhema Mukti Baxter**, Digital Marketing expert, Delhi Regional Communication Centre, ICRC, **Slogan - Unity in Humanity, Strength in Solidarity**. As she was not present during the ceremony, one of her colleagues from ICRC received the award on her behalf.



**2nd highly acclaimed slogan - Ms. Mandeep Kaur**, consultant, National Headquarters, **Slogan- Imbibe Humanity and impartiality, Create a caste-class less society**.





# Celebration of World Red Cross Day on 8th May, 2024 by State/UT Branches

Branches from across the country commemorate the birth anniversary of Henry Dunant, the founder of the Red Cross. IRCS branches organized various events and activities to mark the day and raise awareness about the humanitarian work they do. These celebrations included; Blood donation camps, first aid training workshops, public awareness campaigns, community service projects i.e. distributing relief items to vulnerable populations, providing healthcare services, conducting disaster preparedness activities etc. Special events, such as seminars, conferences, or award ceremonies were organized to reflect on the history and achievements of the Red Cross and to honor individuals who have contributed significantly to humanitarian causes. Some of the pictures received from Odisha, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Goa, Tripura, Haryana, Punjab, Bihar are reproduced below;





















# इंडियन रेडक्रॉस सोसायटी राज्य शाखा द्वारा मनाया गया विश्व रेडक्रॉस दिवस

जयपुर समाचार गत, न्यूज। इंडियन रेडक्रॉस सोसायटी राज्य शाखा द्वारा 8 मई को विश्व रेडक्रॉस दिवस चेयरमैन जेरा कृष्ण बिरला के संदेशानुसार मनाया गया। नेशनल रेडक्रॉस दिवस की इस वर्ष की थीम "मानवता को रक्षा" के अनुसार रेडक्रॉस सोसायटी, राज्य शाखा के रक्तदान शिविर का आयोजन हवा गया तथा राज्य शाखा के नगरल सेक्रेटरी जगदीश सिंह ने रेडक्रॉस सोसायटी की महत्ता एवं इसके अंदरूनी कार्य एवं जलदायकों के हाइजीन किट वितरण किया व संस्था में नवस्थापित वाटर लक्ष्मी का उद्घाटन किया गया।



यैशाली नगर में विश्व रेडक्रॉस दिवस कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया गया। कार्यक्रम में संस्था के नगरल सेक्रेटरी जगदीश सिंह ने रेडक्रॉस सोसायटी की महत्ता एवं इसके अंदरूनी कार्य एवं जलदायकों के हाइजीन किट वितरण किया व संस्था में नवस्थापित वाटर लक्ष्मी का उद्घाटन किया गया।

# हर किसी को रेडक्रॉस से जुड़कर इंसानियत की सेवा करनी चाहिए : सुष्मा शर्मा

जयपुर, 08 मई



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# विश्व रेड क्रॉस दिवस: सराय ख्वाजा जेआरसी का रैली से मानव सेवा और शांति का संदेश

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# चित्रकला प्रतियोगिता में रौनक ने मारी बाजी



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# विश्व रेडक्रॉस दिवस पर चलाया टीबी उन्मूलन अभियान

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# पानीपत भास्कर 09-05-2024

धर्म-समाज-संस्था

# विश्व रेडक्रॉस दिवस पर शहर में विभिन्न संस्थाओं ने शिविर लगाए रेडक्रॉस भवन में 100 लोगों ने रक्तदान किया, रैली निकाल मतदान की शपथ ली



पानीपत, 08 मई : विश्व रेडक्रॉस दिवस के अवसर पर शहर में विभिन्न संस्थाओं ने शिविर लगाए। रेडक्रॉस भवन में 100 लोगों ने रक्तदान किया।

# रक्तदान से बढ़कर नहीं है कोई दान : देवेंद्र कुमार

25 रक्तदाताओं ने विश्व रेडक्रॉस दिवस पर रक्तदान करके दिया मानवता का संदेश



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# स्वास्थ्य विभाग और रेडक्रॉस एक-दूसरे के पूरक : डॉ. त्यागी

देहरादून, राजकोष इंटर कॉलेज मेहवाला में भारतीय रेडक्रॉस सोसायटी की ओर से रेडक्रॉस स्थापना दिवस मनाया गया। डॉ. त्यागी ने कहा कि स्वास्थ्य विभाग और रेडक्रॉस एक-दूसरे के पूरक हैं।

# रैडक्रॉस स्टाफ को फाउंडेशन ने किया सम्मानित

जौनपुर, 8 मई (संजीव) : कृष्ण सुदामा चैरिटी फाउंडेशन ने विश्व रेडक्रॉस दिवस पर रेडक्रॉस स्टाफ को सम्मानित किया।



संस्था के पदाधिकारी रेडक्रॉस सचिव को सम्मानित करते हुए।

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