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From the Desk of The Secretary-General



I'm glad to note that branches are continuously undertaking a number of activities to eradicate TB and Leprosy from country. Awareness programs are being organised in an effort to reduce stigma and discrimination against the patients.

I appreciate the work done by Andhra Pradesh State Branch in remote areas of Alluri Sitharama Raju district in Andhra Pradesh. The branch continues to reach out to the most vulnerable residents living in tribal hamlets. Health check-up camps were organised and medicines were distributed amongst the needy.

I would like to congratulate the Hoshiarpur district branch of Punjab on the opening of the Red Cross Vocational Training Centre for women. I am hopeful that vocational programs such as computer training and beautician course will empower women and help them become economically independent.

I also extend my congratulations to Visakhapatnam blood centre, Andhra Pradesh for obtaining the NABH Certificate.

I take this opportunity to convey my best wishes and congratulations to Dr.S.Lawrence a NDRT/RDRT trained volunteer from Trichy, Tamil Nadu for being awarded for his exemplary humanitarian services.

The branches observed many important days in February, like, World Cancer Day, National Deworming Day, International Epilepsy Day, etc. Such occasions give us an opportunity to connect with people & create awareness about the Red Cross movement.



IRCS Odisha state branch in association with the Grace Cancer Foundation and SLS Trust, held a free mega medical and cancer screening camp in Hon'ble President's village, Mayurbhanj district, Odisha



Team from IRCS Andhra Pradesh State Branch visited the tribal hamlets namely ; Nurupudi, Sunnampadu, Devarapalle, Ramannavalasa & Turrur in the interior forests of ASR District in Andhra Pradesh and provided kitchen sets and hygiene kits to 150 needy and vulnerable families.

Relief items issued by IRCS, NHQ during the month;

Rajasthan; 1000 blankets
Uttarakhand; 2000 blankets
Maharashtra; 1000 blankets
2000 plastic buckets
11000 hygiene kits
200 tarpaulins
Punjab; 5000 hygiene kits
Assam; 500 hygiene kits
West Bengal; 7000 hygiene kits

Meetings of IRCS, NHQ

- On 23rd February, 2024, a meeting was held in the office of Secretary, MoHFW to discuss the way forward for the shifting of IRCS building.
- On 21st February, 2024, there was a virtual meeting between Sh. R.K Jain, Secretary General and Mr. Conrad Sauve, President & CEO of the Canadian Red Cross (CRC) regarding IRCS and CRC project agreement.
- On 16th February, 2024, first meeting was held virtually of the Global Think Tank Group: Fundamental Principles in today's fast-changing world which was spear headed by Mr. Markus Mader. Sh. R.K Jain, Secretary General is also now a member of this Global Think Tank Group.
- On 2nd & 15th February, 2024, Selection Committee meetings were held.

Meetings of IRCS, State/UT branches



IRCS, Haryana state branch organised Award Sub-committee Meeting on 2nd February, 2024 under the Chairmanship of Sh. Lalit Siwach, I.A.S, Deputy Commissioner, Sonapat. Other participants were Smt. Sushma Gupta, Vice-Chairperson, Dr. Mukesh Aggarwal, General Secretary, Sh. Anil Joshi, Joint Secretary and nominated members. On this occasion branch's third quarter news bulletin on the activities of Red Cross was also released.



Indian Red Cross Society, Annual General Meeting, Thiruchirappally
District Branch in Tamil Nadu



Mr. A R Khan, Joint Secretary, IRCS, DB Keonjhar, Odisha
called on the Hon'ble Governor of Odisha Sh. Raghubar Das.
He updated him about the Red Cross district branch
activities.



Blood donation camp was held by IRCS, Sonamura, Sub-Divisional Branch, Tripura



The Youth Red Cross Wing of Gandhi Memorial National College in Ambala Cantt, Haryana organized a Voluntary Blood Donation Camp.

IRCS NHQ Blood Centre

A single drop of blood can make a huge difference



The Month of February, 2024

Donors – 1675
Voluntary Donors in camps — 1527
Voluntary Donors in-house — 148
No. of camps - 28
Blood/Blood Components issued - 4068 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



Mrs. Suranjika Behera, Secretary, IRCS district branch, Keojhar, donated blood to save the life of a newborn baby and mother

Thank you, donors!



IRCS, Manipur state branch in collaboration with artists of Yeningkol Sheidamshang conducted a voluntary blood donation camp at Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Medical Sciences (JNIMS). 20 units of blood were collected.



Blood Donation camp, Barh, Bihar



Blood donation camp, Kota, Rajasthan



Blood donation camp, Pojewal, Punjab

Distribution of Relief Materials



IRCS Imphal West district branch volunteers distributed blankets to BPL women



The District Red Cross Society of Gurugram and Fatehabad, Haryana distributed assistive gadgets and motorized tricycles to physically challenged and impoverished people of the society.



Distribution of hygiene kits and other relief items, Kota, Rajasthan



Distribution of kitchen sets, Bundi, Rajasthan



Distribution of blankets, Patna, Bihar



Distribution of blankets at health camp, Enkepally village, Telangana



Provision of drinking water sponsored by Radha TMT through IRCS Mulugu district branch, Telangana was inaugurated by Hon'ble Panchayatraj Minister, Dr. Dhansari Anusuya Seetakka at Medaram



Distribution of soaps, toothpastes, shampoo sachets to police personnel at Medaram Jathara, Telangana



Distribution of hygiene kits and other relief items, Bakhtiyarpur, Bihar

Trainings & Workshops



First aid training at District Education and Training Institute, Bageshwar, Uttarakhand



Nizamabad District Branch conducted first aid and CPR awareness program for traffic police at ACP office, Nizamabad, Telangana



First aid training for staff at, The Bay Club, Jio World Drive, Mumbai, Maharashtra. 15 staff from sports, F&B, and administrative departments were trained.

Miscellaneous Activities



Pavani Lata (28) was declared brain dead at Kurnool Government Hospital. Dr. KG Govinda Reddy, Chairman of the IRCS Kurnool District Branch, paid a visit to the hospital and persuaded the brain-dead patient's relatives to give her organs. The specialists at the government hospital took out her organs like lungs, liver, kidneys, and eyes. The organs were transferred to various hospitals across the state via the green channel.

Miscellaneous Activities



An awareness camp under the "Nasha Mukat Bharat Abhiyaan" was held at Govt. Primary School Niana Bet (Balachaur) by Red Cross Drug De-Addiction and Rehabilitation Center Nawanshahr, Punjab.



The Red Cross Drug De-Addiction and Rehabilitation Center Nawanshahr, Punjab held a drug awareness camp at Government Sen. Sec. School Hiala.



IRCS Imphal West District Branch held 3 days first aid training for the nursing students of Irengbam Thamcha Devi Nursing & Health Care Research Institute



Junior /Youth Red Cross, Pune district branch conducted an awareness session on importance of hemoglobin in body



First aid training was provided by IRCS Pune district branch amongst Alpine trekkers



First aid training was conducted by IRCS Pune district branch to students of DY Patil Institute



IRCS, Sonamura Sub-Divisional Branch provided school safety training at Kulubari High School during the NSS Special Camp at Sonamura, Sepahijala, Tripura.



First aid training cum healthcheck-up program was held for drivers & conductors by IRCS, Imphal East district branch, Manipur



IRCS, Assam State Branch, held a CPR training for 50 NSS volunteers from Assam Don Bosco University in Sonapur.



First aid training was conducted for the employees of Tata Steel plant, Pune, Maharashtra. 28 people participated in this session



First aid training, Jagtial, Telangana



IRCS, Haryana State Branch organised a State Level YRC Training Camp at Haridwar from 07th - 12th February, 2024. Dr. Sushma Gupta, Vice-Chairperson, IRCS, Haryana inaugurated this camp. Total 213 participants from 35 educational institutions of Haryana participated in this Camp.



First aid training was held for students at Mamasahab Mohol College, Pune in association with Savitribai Phule, Pune University



First aid training were provided to the employees of Gits food limited, Hadapsar, Pune. 25 staff members participated in the training program



Imphal West district branch of IRCS Manipur conducted first aid training for CRPF personnel at Group Centre, CRPF Langjing

Congratulations

Dr.S.Lawrence NDRT/RDRT, Trichy, Tamilnadu was awarded for his meritorious service in Red Cross for more than 25 years by Trichy district collector.



Miscellaneous Activities



Youth Red Cross organized a Leprosy for awareness campaign at Boudh Panchayat College in support of DLEU and Boudh District Hospital, as Boudh has the huge number of leprosy patients in Odisha.



Visakhapatnam blood centre in Andhra Pradesh got the NABH Certificate. This is the FIRST Blood Center in Andhra Pradesh to obtain NABH certification.

Celebration of Important Days

World Cancer Day



IRCS, Bhavnagar district branch organised various programs on cancer awareness and primary screening camp for oral cancer detection was also conducted.

National Deworming Day



Youth Red Cross Unit, Sanatan Dharma College Ambala Cantt, Haryana collaborated with local health authorities to execute the distribution of deworming medicines to observe National Deworming Day

Miscellaneous Activities



On 8th February, 2024, a vocational training program under the employment generation program was organised at Red Cross Drug De-addiction Centre Gurdaspur for rehabilitation of inmates getting treatment for addiction at this centre.

Congratulations



Indian Red Cross Society, Hoshiarpur district branch, Punjab has set up a new Red Cross Vocational Training Centre for Women under CSR initiative of Vardhman AE.

Total three courses will be run under this centre with an updated curriculum.

1. Computer Training
2. Steno and Typing
3. Beauty and Wellness

Along with this it will also include computer accounting, sessions on IT and GST return filling for commerce students. These vocational programs for women will support their economic independence.

Health Camps and Miscellaneous Activities



The IRCS Ranga Reddy District Branch held a health camp in Prasoin Nagar, Qutbullapur. More than 55 elderly people underwent examination and treatment.



IRCS, J&K in collaboration with Excise & Taxation Department, Jammu held a campaign to eradicate drugs from the society.



Cervical cancer screening and awareness camp was held by IRCS Gujarat State Branch in conjunction with Indian Oil Corporation at Ahmedabad. This camp benefited 211 women. Hemoglobin levels of patients were also checked.



Free ENT check-up was conducted in partnership with Rotary Club Khadki, Agakanis by Red Cross Pune at Reach hostel for underprivileged girls.



Health Check up and TB screening camp was organized at Maqboolpura, Amritsar by IRCS, Punjab State Branch, Chandigarh in collaboration with IRCS, District Branch, Amritsar, ASG Eye Care, NAYYAR Hospital and R.P Education Society. Free medicines were distributed amongst the needy patients in the camp. Approx. 450 patients benefitted in this camp.



A health camp was organized by Indian Red Cross Society, Punjab State Branch in collaboration with District Health Society, Jalandhar and Indian Red Cross Society, Jalandhar under TB Project at Gurdwara Singh Sabha Saheed Baba Bachitar Singh Ji, Basti Mithu, Jalandhar



Health Camp, Rohtak, Haryana



Bundi district branch, Rajasthan organized an eye care camp. This camp reviewed 300 patients, 90 of whom were selected for surgery.



IRCS, Hanumakonda, Telangana, organized a health camp at Sammakka Saralamma Jathara Agrampad

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