INDIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY,
TAMIL NADU BRANCH
NEWSLETTER –February & March 2024

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies is the world's largest volunteer- based humanitarian network, reaching over 160 million people each year through National Societies with over 191 members.

Indian Red Cross Society, established under the Indian Red Cross Society Act, 1920, is an extensive network of more than 1100 branches across the nation, plays a pivotal role in delivering relief during times of disasters and emergencies. Additionally, it is committed to advancing the health and well- being of vulnerable individuals and communities.

The mission of Indian Red Cross Society is to inspire, encourage and implement various humanitarian initiatives, ensuring that human suffering is mitigated and, when possible, prevented altogether. By doing so, the organization contributes to the creation of a more conducive environment for peace and prosperity based on the seven fundamental principles of the Red Cross which are humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity and universality.

These seven fundamental principles sum up the movements' ethics and are at the core of its approach in helping people in need across the globe.

Let us work together to make the motto of Indian Red Cross Society, 'Through Humanity to peace', a reality.

Dr. JUSTICE M. JAICHANDREN
Former Judge, High Court of Madras
Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India
Chairman, Administrative Committee, IRCS - TNB
Member, National Managing Body, IRCS, New Delhi

DAY CARE HOSPITAL

The Day care hospital is functioning from Monday to Saturday. The General & Specialist doctors have attended the Day Care Hospital on a weekly basis. The report of the Day Care Hospital for the month of February & March 2024. The details are furnished in below:-

S.No.	Particulars	No. of Patients	No. of Patients
1.	Total OP Cases (A + B)	**1503 + 464** ---------- **1967 Total Patients**	**1277+ 464** ---------- **1666 Total Patients**
2.	General Physician		
	• Dr. G. Gomathi • Dr. P. Yogeshwaran **Total OP Cases (A)**	849 Patients 654 Patients ---------- 1503 Patients	586 Patients 691 Patients ---------- 1277 Patients
3.	Specialist Physician		
	• ENT • Gynaecology • Dermatologist • Dentistry • Diabetic • Eye • Ortho • Scan • Out Patients **Total Specialist Cases(B)**	09 Patients 04 Patients 71 Patients 23 Patients 03 Patients 19 Patients 65 Patients 11 Patients 259 Patients ---------- 464 Patients	11 Patients 04 Patients 66 Patient 14 Patients 183 Patients 5 Patients 70 Patients 08 Patients 209 Patients ---------- 570 Patients
4.	Free Patients	64 Patients	54 Patients
5.	Master Health Check up	7 Patients	4 Patients
6.	ECG	54 Patients	47 Patients
7.	Injection	282 Patients	195 Patients
8.	Digital X-Ray	94 Patients & 123 Test	77 Patients & 99 Test
9.	Clinical Lab for Various Investigations	291 Patients & 2411Test	244 Patients & 1982Test
11	Issue Medicine	1352 Patients	1235 Patients

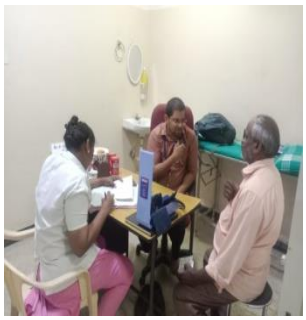
National Deworming Day 2024:-

Day Care Hospital organized the Free Medical Camp on 10.02.2024 on the eve of National Deworming Day 2024 at IRCS – TN premises. M/s. Mankind Pharma supported to this Camp. 30 Patients were benefitted.

International Women's Day 2024:-

On the eve of International Women's Day 2024, the Free Medical Camp was organized in our Day Care Hospital at IRCS TNB premises on 08.03.2024. Totally **141 Patients** got benefited from these Camps. The details are furnished in below:-

Particulars	Detailed Report
General Patients Blood Grouping, Blood Sugar, Haemoglobin, BP, BMI X-Ray Investigation, ECG Taken, Injection & Dressing	**191** Patients
Dental Patients	**52** Patients
Gynaecology Patients	**56** Patients
Ortho Patients & Physiotherapy Awareness	**20** Patients
Eye Patients - Free Reading Glass, Free Cataract Surgery Referred Free Scan for Pelvis, Abdomen & Sonomammogram	**123** Patients



BLOOD CENTRE

February 2024

VOLUNTARY BLOOD DONATION CAMP:-

The Blood Centre has conducted Five Voluntary blood donation camps and collected 261 units of blood.

Sl. No	Date	Place of the Camp	No. of units collected
1.	21.02.2024	The New College, Royapettah, Chennai	52
2.	23.02. 2024	Faurecia Emissions Control TechnologiST, Sriperumpudhur	45
3.	26.02. 2024	Sai Ram Engineering College, Tambaram	50
4.	27.02. 2024	Bharathi Women's College, Broadway Road, Chennai	08
5.	28.02. 2024	SRM Valliammal Engineering College, Kattankulathur	100
	01.02.2024 to 29.02.2024	IRCS-TNB Blood centre	06
			261

COMPONENT SEPARATION UNIT & ISSUE DETAILS:-

In our Blood Bank, blood components like Packed Red Blood Cells, Fresh Frozen Plasma and Platelet Concentrate were separated with sophisticated modern equipments and supplied to various hospitals and Nursing Homes on based requisition letter.

Blood & Components	Opening Balance	No. of units separated	No. of Units issued at payment	No. of Units issued at free of cost
Packed Red Blood Cells	14	261	57	---
Fresh Frozen Plasma	60	260	27	0
Platelet Concentrate	07	90	20	21

Blood Grouping IRCS-Blood Centre

01 person Blood Grouping was done in IRCS-TNB Blood Centre.

MARCH 2024

VOLUNTARY BLOOD DONATION CAMP:

The Blood Centre has conducted nine voluntary blood donation camps and collected 563 units of blood for the month of March 2024.

S.No	Date	Place of the Camp	No. of Units Collected
1.	05.03.2024	D.G.Vaishnav College, Arumbakkam	101
2.	07.03.2024	Sri Venkateshwara College, Sriperumpudhur	80
3.	08.03.2024	Jeruselam College, Pallikarani	66
4.	14.03.2024	Nordex India Pvt Ltd., Gummidipoondi	70
5.	14.03.2024	IRCS TNB Collection – VVD Coconut Oil Corporation Ltd, Egmore	9
6.	21.03.2024	Jost India Auto Component Pvt, Ltd, Vadukkapatta	23
7.	24.03.2024	St.Antony's Church, Vyasarpadi	16
8.	26.03.2024	Velammal Engineering College, Surapet, Chenni	55
9.	27.03.2024	D.R.B.C.C.C. Hindu College, Pattabiram	143
			563

COMPONENT SEPARATION UNIT& ISSUE DETAILS:

In our Blood Centre, blood components like Packed Red Blood Cells, Fresh Frozen Plasma and Platelet Concentrate were separated with sophisticated modern equipments and supplied to various hospitals and Nursing Homes on based requisition letter.

Blood & Components	Opening Balance 01.03.2024	No. of units separated	No. of Units issued at payment	No. of Units issued at free of cost
Packed Red Blood Cells	218	562	282	21
Fresh Frozen Plasma	291	560	573	4
Platelet Concentrate	51	48	6	25

Blood Grouping IRCS-Blood Centre

1 person Blood Grouping was done in IRCS-TNB Blood Centre

PHYSIOTHERAPY SECTION

In our physiotherapy and rehabilitation centre we offer wide range of effective treatment for various kinds of patients from pediatric to geriatric using advanced treatment modalities and techniques with the help of best qualified Medical professionals and doctors.

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CUPPING THERAPY

Treatment for various conditions including,

Orthopedic problems like

- Neck pain & back pain
- Deformity and contracture corrections
- post operative and post traumatic rehab
- sports injuries
- Rehabilitation for amputees
- Gait training using ICRC protocol
- All types of joint pain and sprains
- General fitness for ladies diagnosed with PCOD and Thyroid
- Geriatric rehabilitation
- Mobilisation exercises
- All congenital deformities

Neurological conditions like

- Hemiplegia
- Muscular dystrophy
- Parkinson's disease
- Bell's and facial palsy
- Erb's palsy

From **February to March** total of **2,039 patients** have been treated effectively. During this period around 45 students from various physiotherapy colleges underwent clinical internship and training programs in our physiotherapy and rehabilitation centre.

NURSE-AIDE

During the month of February and March VADGD students were deputed for Intensive Practical Training 0n 03.02.2024 -31.03.2024 at the following Hospitals in batch wise:

1. S.P Hospital, at Alanthur
2. Lakshmi Sundharavadhanam Hospital at Poonamalli High Road

Health Education Given by the Students: -

- Rajeshwari –Cardiac Diet
- Avanthika- Malaria
- Sadhana- Typhoid Fever
- Tamil Selvi- Old Age Diet
- Ramalakshmi –Water Purification
- Karthika-Vector Born Disease
- Seetha – National Nutrition Programme
- Divya Sri-Disinfection
- Mahalashmi- Antenatal Nutrition
- Unnamalai-School Age Diet
- M.Swetha –Puperium
- Elakkiy –Tuberculosis
- Sughashini- Tick-borne Disease

Life Scoping Skills:-

1. Emergence of a leader
2. Characteristics of Leadership
3. Various kinds of Leaders
4. What should leader do?
5. Characteristics of a Leader
6. Team Work
7. What is it like work in a team?
8. What is Team Learning?
9. Some more Tips for Managing Stress

Community Health Nursing Advanced Community Health Nursing:-

- School Health Services
- Initiation of School Health Programme Prevention of Communicable Disease
- Health Sanitation
- Healthful School Environment
- Health and Population Education
- School Health Records
- First Aide and Emergency Care
- Role of Health Worker in School Health Programme
- Serving as a Liaison Between School, The Home and the Community
- Environmental Sanitation Aspects of Communicable Diseases
- Communicable Diseases Control
- Malaria
- Health Teaching Aspects in Individual Family and

- ❖ Treatment of Minor Ailments
- ❖ Community
- ❖ Small Fox
- ❖ Tuberculosis
- ❖ Venereal Diseases

Fundamentals of Nursing, Advanced Basic Science and Maternity

1. Bed Bath, 2. Vital Sings3. Sterilization, 4. Disinfection, 5. Oral Medication 6. IM Injection7. Dressing 8. Mouth Care

Maternal and Child Health Nursing

1. Abortion, 2. MTP,3. Minor Disorders of Pregnancy 4. Retroverted Uterus
5. Antenatal, Postnatal and Intranasal Care, 6. Breast Feeding, 7. Artificial Feeding
8. Immunization Sheduled, 9. Commen Cold, 10. Eye Infection,11. Ear Infection
12. Skin Infection, 13 Diarrheas,14. Pnemonia, 15 First Aide Measures
16. School Feeding Programme, 17. Contraseptic Methods, 18. Intra –Uterine Devices, 19. Terminal Methods, 20. Safe Period Methods.

The During the Month of February, the Blood Donation Camp was conducted by IRCS-TNB at various places in and around Chennai along with the Nurse Aide Students.

The details of venue and dates are given belew:-
1. Ford Company at Sriperumbathur, on 23.02.2024
2. Sai Ram College at Tambaram, on 26.02.2024
3. Bharathi Arts Women's College at Mint, on 27.02.2024
4. SRM College at Kattankulathur on 28.02.2024
5. Sri Vaishnava College –at Arumbakkam on 05.03.2024
6. Sri Venkateswara College at Sriperumbathur.07.03.2024
7. Jerrusalam College at Pallikarunai-on 08.03.2024
8. Ambathur -14.03.2024
9. Sriperumbathur on 21.03.2024
10. St Anderson Church at Vysarrpady
11. Vellammal College at Ambathur on 26.03.2024
12.Hindhu College at Avadi on 27.03.2024

VADGD students for the First Year and Second Year attended Term II exam held from 11.03.2024-15.03.2024 at Red Cross premises.

FIRST AID & DISASTER MANAGEMENT

01.02.2024 (One day DM awareness Training)

On 01.02.2024, Disaster Management awareness program was conducted to YRC and NSS Units of Rose Mary College of Arts and Science for Women, Tirunelveli.Accordingly, Training was conducted in following topics, About Red Cross activities, Flood Rescue Methods, Rope and Knots making techniques, Early warning system during Disasters, Health Hazards during Disasters etc.This Program was inaugurated by YRC and NSS Program Officers of the College, Dr. Saratha and Mrs. Krishnaveni.

13.02.2024 (Block Level JRC Camp)

On 13.02.2024, One day Block Level Junior Red Cross Camp was Organised by JRC Tiruvidaimaruthur Block, KumbakonamEdnl District at Star Matriculation School, Ammachatram, Kumbakonam.

Taken Session on Disaster Management to JRC Strudents. Disaster Risk Reduction, activities to be carried out during and after Disaster were taken as training session.

15.02.2024 (First Aid and DM Orientation -Nursing College)

First Aid Training to the Nursing Student of AnnaiVelankanni College of Nursing, Chennai was conducted Accordingly one batch of Nursing Students were trained in First Aid. 80 Students

First Aid basics, Human Anatomy, Bleeding Control, Fracture Management, Unconscious and CPR, Burns, Electric Shock, Heart Attack, Fits, Poisoning etc were taken for Training Session. Bandages, Victim Transportation also handled during the Sessions. End of the session Students conducted Mock Drill.

20.02.2024 - One day DM Training to YRC Students

The Youth Red Cross Unit of Holy Cross Arts & Science college, Tiruchirapally District, organised one day Disaster Management training for YRC volunteers on 20.02.2024. I gave training to the volunteers on the Role of Red Cross in Disaster Management and Basics of Disaster management during first session. In the

second session, Basic Life Support and public health in Emergencies were the topics he covered. At the end of the training, the volunteers were motivated to render service during disaster times. 100 Volunteers actively participated in this training. Volunteers shared their experience by giving feedback. Dr. Saraswathi , YRC, Coordinator welcomed the gathering. The training came to an end with National Anthem.

23.02.2024 - One day DM Training to YRC Students

The Youth Red Cross Unit of ADM Arts & Science college, Nagapattinam District, organised one day Disaster Management training for YRC volunteers on 23.02.2024. The Principal delivered Presidential address and I gave training to the volunteers on the Role of Red Cross in Disaster Management and Basics of Disaster management during first session. In the second session, Basic Life Support and public health in Emergencies were the topics he covered. At the end of the training, the volunteers were motivated to render service during disaster times. 88 Volunteers actively participated in this training. Volunteers shared their experience by giving feedback. Dr. Jamuna , YRC, Coordinator welcomed the gathering. The training came to an end with National Anthem.

19.02.2024 (One day DM)

On 19.02.2024, Disaster Management awareness program was conducted to YRC unit of AnnaiHajira College of Arts and Science for Women, Melapalayam, Tirunelveli District. Accordingly, Training was conducted in following topics, About History of Red Cross, Importance of Red Cross Emblem, Major Services doing by Red Cross, Flood Rescue Methods, Rope and Knots making techniques, Vulnerability in Colleges, Early warning system during Disasters, Health Hazards during Disasters etc.

20.02.2024 (One day DM)

Disaster Management awareness program was conducted to YRC unit of Rose MaryCollege of Arts and Science for Women, Tirunelveli District on 20.02.2024**.** Accordingly, Training was conducted in following topics, About History of Red Cross, Importance of Red Cross Emblem, Major Services doing by Red Cross, Cyclone awareness and precautions, Global warming and its impacts, Flood Rescue Methods, Rope and Knots making techniques, Vulnerability Capacity and Risks Assessment in Colleges, Early warning system during Disasters, etc.This Program was organized and coordinated by Mrs. Krishnaveni, YRC Program Officer, Rose Mary College of Arts and Science, Tirunelveli District.

26.02.2024 to 28.02.2024 and 29.02.2024 to 02.03.2024 (First Aid Training)

From 26.02.2024 to 28.02.2024 and 29.02.2024 to 02.03.2024 two batches of First aid

training program was conducted to St,Xaviver's Catholic College of Nursing, Kanyakumar District.

Accordingly 25 Students x two batches =50 Students were trained. Training duration was from 09.30 a.m to 4.30p.m. On the first day, Mr. Brindha Guest Lecturer inaugurated the program. On the third day Dr. Josephin M.B.B.S.,MD,DNB examined the participants.

Training topics covered,

Topics	**In Detailed**
A) Pre Questionare and Examination, B) What is First Aid, Importance of First Aid, Qualities of First Aider, Aims of First Aid, Do's and Don't's in First Aid.	
Structure of Body, Human Anatomy, 12 Systems of Body	(Respiratory , Circulatory, Nervous System, Muscular,Digestive, Excretary System etc.)
First Aid for Un Concious and CPR	Checking Pulse, DRABC, ECC, CPR Method etc.
A) Wounds and Bleeding B) Bandages to arrest Bleeding.	External Bleeding, Nose & Ear Bleedings Bandages for Bleeding etc Internal Bleeding.
First Aid for Burns, Electric Shock, Chemical Splash, Fire	3 Stages of Burns, Do's and Don't's during Shocks, First Aid for Fire and Fire Extinguisher and how to use it

A) First Aid for Fracture, Sprain, Drowning, B) Bandages for Fracture, Victim Transportation Methods.	Types of Fracture, Bandages for Fracture, Sprain Strain, Victim Transportation
A) Poision, Heatstroke, Chocking . B) First Aid Forms Collection	First Aid for Snake Bite, Inhaling Poison, etc. Collect the Filled Forms and related works
A) First Aid for Heart Attack, Epilepsy. B) Post Examination, c) Recaping all First Aid Topics. d) Viva by Doctor	Explain about Heart, Arteries, brain and its functions.

07.03.2024 (First Aid awareness Training)

On 07.03.2024, First Aid Awareness program was conducted to Youth Red Cross Unit of Sarah Tucker College of Arts and Science for Women, Tirunelveli District. Accordingly, Basic First Aid information, Accident Management, First Aid for Unconscious, Bleeding, Strain and Sprain, Heart attack Burns and Scalds were taken as training topics. More than 100 students participated and interacted. Dr. Usha Godwin Principal, Sarah Tucker College, inaugurated the program. Dr. S. SelvaPon Malar, YRC Program Officer coordinated the program. E. Blithe Sudhar, DM/FA Training cum Field Coordinator, IRCS TNB facilitated the program.

28.03.2024 (First Aid and DM Orientation - Employee)

First Aid Training to the Employees of AD Tex, Karur was conducted Accordingly one batch of employee were trained in First Aid (14 Staffs).First Aid basics, Human Anatomy, Bleeding Control, Fracture Management, Unconscious and CPR, Burns, Electric Shock, Heart Attack, Fits, Poisoning etc were taken for Training Session. Bandages, Victim Transportation also handled during the Sessions.

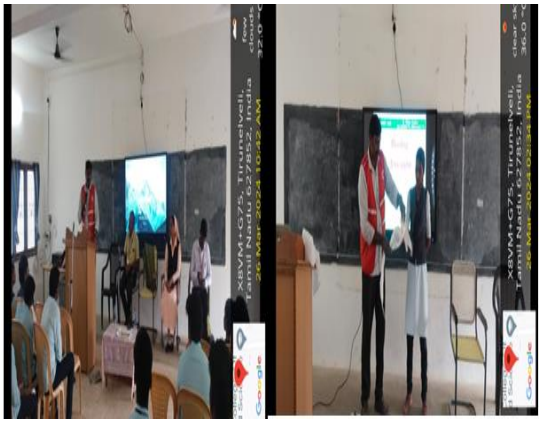
14.03.2024 (One day Disaster Management Training)

On 14.03.2024, One day Disaster Management awareness program was conducted to Youth Red Cross unit of Nesamony Memorial Christian College of Arts and Science, Marthandam, Kanyakumari District. Accordingly, Training was conducted in following topics, About History of Red Cross, Importance of Red Cross Emblem, Major Services doing by Red Cross, Flood Rescue Methods, Rope and Knots making techniques, Vulnerability in Colleges, Early warning system during Disasters, Health Hazards during Disasters etc. Dr. Sheela Christy Principal, Inaugurated the program, Dr. P.C. Jose Paul YRC Program Officer Coordinated the program. E. Blithe Sudhar, DM/FA Training cum Field Coordinator, provided training to the participants.

22.03.2024 (Disaster Risk Reduction Training)

On 22.03.2024, Disaster Risk Reduction program was conducted to Staff members of Ramco Group Textiles company, Rajapalayam, Virudhunagar District. Accordingly, Disaster Risk Reduction methodology was given as training topic. 60 members were participated with interaction. Basic information on Earthquake , Flood, Cyclone and Assessment techniques, Disaster Management Cycle, Early warning System and its functions, ertc. Ropes and how to use it during emergency, various knots and victim Transportation methods were given training to the participants.This program was inaugurated by Mr. Vijayakumar, Head In charge, Human Resource, Ramco Group Textiles, Rajapalayam, Mr. Mohan, Secretary, Kovilpatti Sub Branch, IRCS Tuticorin District coordinated the program. E. Blithe Sudhar, DM/FA Training cum Field Coordinator, IRCS TNB given training to the participants.

26.03.2024 to 28.03.2024 (First Aid Training Program)



First Aid Training to students of JP College of Arts and Science, Ayikudi, Tenkasi District was conducted from 26.03.2024 to 28.03.2024. Program inaugurated by Dr. J. MichealMariyadhas Principal, J.P. College of Arts and Science, Ayikudi, Tenkasi District. YRC Program Officer Dr. Siva Selvan coordinated the Program, Mr. V. Subramanian, Secretary, Indian Red Cross Society, Tenkasi District Branch made all the arrangements for the successful completion of the program. E. Blithe Sudhar, DM/FA Training cum Field Coordinator, IRCS TNB facilitated three days training program.

30.03.2024 to 01.04.2024 (First Aid Training)

From 30.03.2024 to 01.04.2024 of First aid training program was conducted to DBS Bank India Ltd, Chennai District.

Accordingly 28 Employees were trained. Training duration was from 10.30 a.m to 5.30p.m.
On the first day, Mr. Jai Ganesh Operation Manager inaugurated the program.
Training topics covered,

Topics	**In Detailed**
A) Pre Questionare and Examination, B) What is First Aid, Importance of First Aid, Qualities of First Aider, Aims of First Aid, Do's and Don't's in First Aid.	
Structure of Body, Human Anatomy, 12 Systems of Body	(Respiratory , Circulatory, Nervous System, Muscular,Digestive, Excretary System etc.)
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YOUTH RED CROSS

ONE DAY ZONAL LEVEL ORIENTATION- TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH RED CROSS PROGRAMME OFFICERS

A one-day zonal level orientation-training program for Youth Red Cross Programme Officers was organized by the Zonal Youth Red Cross at Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai, and sponsored by the Indian Red Cross Society, Tamil Nadu branch, Chennai. The program commenced with a Welcome Address given by Dr. A. Velanganni Joseph, Chairperson of the Department of Youth Welfare Studies at MKU. Prof. M. Ramakrishnan, Registrar (in-charge) of Madurai Kamaraj University, delivered the Inaugural address for the program. Mr. A. Raj Kumar, Secretary of IRCS Madurai and District Coordinator of the Disaster Management Team, presented the Felicitation address. The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Dr. P. Jeyabarathi, Assistant Professor at DYWS, MKU.

The first session was conducted by Mr. A Raj Kumar, Secretary of IRCS Madurai and District Coordinator of the Disaster Management Team. The Disaster Management team demonstrated tent setup and first aid actions to be performed during disasters.

The technical session was conducted by Dr. K. Prabakaran, Former Senior Divisional Manager at New India Assurance, on the topic of 'Transparency and Creative Problem Solving'.

The Valedictory function and certificate distribution event commenced with a welcome address by Dr. S. Pari Parameshawaran, Associate Professor at DYWS, MKU. The

Valedictory address was delivered by Prof. M. Sivakumar, Head & Chairperson of the School of Business Studies at Madurai Kamaraj University. He distributed certificates to the Youth Red Cross Programme Officers. The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Dr. E.V. Rigin, Zonal Coordinator of Youth Red Cross at Madurai Kamaraj University.

ONE DAY DISTRICT LEVEL YRC STUDENTS STUDY CAMP:-

The Indian Red Cross Society, Tamil Nadu Branch, sponsored "One Day YRC Students Study Camp," was held on March 2, 2024, at Kongu Arts and Science College in Erode District. This event brought together young minds from across the district under the banner of the Youth Red Cross, fostering a spirit of humanitarianism, knowledge-sharing, and community service. One hundred and Sixty YRC volunteers and Twenty YRC Programme Officers from various Colleges of Erode district participated in the camp. The event commenced with the prayer song followed by traditional lighting of the lamp, symbolizing the enlightenment and empowerment that the camp aims to provide to its participants.

Following the invocation, the audience was warmly welcomed by Dr.M Raju, District Organizer, YRC Erode the coordinator of the Study Camp Function. In his address, he expressed his gratitude to all the attendees for their presence and emphasized the significance of the camp in nurturing the intellectual growth and social responsibility of the youth.

Dr. H. Vasudevan, Principal, Kongu Arts and Science College, delivered an inspiring address, underscoring the organization's commitment to promoting humanitarian values and fostering leadership among young individuals. He highlighted the importance of education and community service in shaping responsible citizens and encouraged the participants to actively engage in the camp activities.

A series of felicitations followed by Thiru. P.D. Thangavel, Correspondent, Kongu Arts and Science College and Dr. T.G. Ramamoorthy, Chairman IRCS, Erode District with distinguished guests and dignitaries taking the stage to offer their blessings and support to the initiative. Their words of encouragement served to motivate the participants and underscored the broader community's endorsement of the Youth Red Cross's endeavors.

The Introductory address was given by Thiru Thomas V John, Hon. Vice Chairman, IRCS, Tamilnadu branch, inaugurated the camp. In his inaugural address he briefly explained the history of Red Cross. He also explained the importance of YRC and its principles and he explained the benefits of being an YRC volunteer. He expressed the proud role of YRC and it has 93 million volunteers as its members. Every volunteer has to render unconditional love to the society at the hour of need. He insisted every YRC volunteer has to extend their helping hands for the society by their generous heart.

The session came to an end with an official Vote of thanks by Mr. R. Rajakumar, YRC – Programme Officer, Kongu Arts and Science College, Erode. Sessions covered on Life is Life – Motivational Talk, Role of YRC Volunteers, First Aid Awaresness Training and Personal Health and Fitness.

During the Valedictory function, Mr. T. Akashnarayana, YRC - Programme Organizer, Kongu Arts and Science College, Erode extended a warm welcome. Mr. P. Naveen Kumar, Founder and President of Atchayam Trust, Atchayam Beggars Rehabilitation Home, Erode delivered the Valedictory address. He addressed that his motto is to create ‘‘Beggar Free Society’’. Through his trust he deliberately takes care of 150 orphans. He insisted the participants to indulge with their parents and grandparents with utmost love and care. He advised the participants to offer food to the needy. He also emphasized the participants to be socially active and responsible. He also distributed certificates to the participants.
Concluding the event, Dr. M. Raju, District Organizer, Youth Red Cross, Erode, expressed gratitude through the Vote of Thanks.

THREE DAYS ZONAL LEVEL ORIENTATION TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS AND PROGRAMME OFFICERS:-

A three-day zonal level orientation-training program for Youth Red Cross Volunteers & Programme Officers was organized by the Zonal Youth Red Cross at Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai, and sponsored by the Indian Red Cross Society, Tamil Nadu branch, Chennai.

The program commenced with a welcome address by Dr.Velangani Joseph, Chairperson of the School of Youth Empowerment at Madurai Kamaraj University. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. P. Kannadasan, Dean (in-charge) of the College Development Council at Madurai Kamaraj University. Mr. A. Raj Kumar, Secretary of IRCS Madurai and District Coordinator of the Disaster Management Team, gave the felicitation address.

The inaugural function concluded with the Vote of Thanks delivered by Dr.Rigin, Zonal Coordinator of Youth Red Cross at Madurai Kamaraj University.

On the first day, the Technical Session was led by Mr. A. Raj Kumar, Secretary of IRCS Madurai and District Coordinator of the Disaster Management Team. His session focused on the topic of "Disaster Management". A practical session followed the lecture.

The second session addressed "Blood Donation Awareness" and was presented by Dr. M. Sintha, MD, Head of the Department of ImmunoHematology and Blood Transfusion at Govt. Rajaji Hospital, Madurai. This session highlighted the importance of blood donation and the criteria for potential donors.

The second day of the Youth Red Cross program commenced with a session conducted by Dr. N.M. Mary Sindhuja, Associate Professor in ECE at Kamaraj College of Engineering and Technology, Viruthunagar. The topic was "Harmful Effects of Electronic Gadgets on Human Health".

Following that, Dr. Manjula Nagarajan, Associate Professor and Chairperson of Admissions at Thiagarajar School of Management, delivered a session on the "Law of Attraction".

In the afternoon session, Dr. R. Rajavarman, Former District Organizer of Youth Red Cross in Dindigul District, presented on "First Aid Awareness".

The day concluded with a session by Dr. S. PaariParameshwaran, Associate Professor of Youth Welfare Studies at Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai. His topic was "Career Development and Life Skills".

The final day of the three-day Zonal level orientation program began with a presentation by Dr. S. Palanikumaran, Consultant Physician Diabetologist and Assistant Professor at Madurai Medical College, Madurai. The session focused on "Lifestyle Diseases".

The program's concluding session was conducted by Mr. S. Ilayaraja, Assistant Professor (DDE) at DOMS, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai. He led the session on "Team Building and Personality Development

The dignitaries of the program presented certificates to the students who actively participated in the three-day Zonal Level Youth Red Cross program. The program concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. E.V. Rigin, Zonal Coordinator of Youth Red Cross at Madurai Kamaraj University. Finally, the program ended with the National Anthem.

Visit:-

Various colleges were visited at IRCS – TNB State Branch to learn about the Youth Red Cross(YRC) and Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) activities, as listed below:-

SL. No	Name of the College	No. of Students
1.	Apollo College of Nursing, Ayanambakkam	26 Students & one faculty
2.	Shiv Nadar University, Kalavakkam	19 Students & two faculties
3.	Institute of Public Health, Poonamallee	55 Students & two faculties

JUNIOR RED CROSS

02.02.2024 (JRC Camp Kanyakumari District)

The Junior Red Cross Study Camp was organized by the Nagercoil Educational District at St. Joseph Calazanz CBSE School, Kanyakumari, from February 2, 2024, to February 3, 2024. On February 2, 2024, a disaster management awareness program was conducted for Junior Red Cross (JRC) students and JRC counselors, with about 200 students participating. Topics covered included Basic Disaster Management, Hazards, Vulnerability, Capacity, Risk Identification, causes for Man-made disasters, and the Disaster Management Cycle. The program was inaugurated by JRC Convenor, Mr. C. Prem Raj, Head Master of Government High School, Santhapuram, Kanyakumari District. Dr. S.R. Srinivasa Kannan, MC Member of the Indian Red Cross Society, National Headquarters, New Delhi, participated as the Chief Guest.