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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Governor extends good wishes on the occasion of World Red Cross Day  
Governor appeals to the people to voluntarily donate blood and save lives**

**Governor commends Red Cross Volunteers of the State**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.) has extended his good wishes to the people of the State in general and all the Red Cross volunteers in particular on the occasion of World Red Cross Day, which commemorates the birth anniversary of Sir Jean Henry Dunant, the founder of Red Cross movement. He expressed his hope that the occasion will bring more awareness about the helping role of Red Cross Society amongst the people and motivates them to become Red Cross members.

In his message, the Governor said that the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, born of a desire to bring assistance without discrimination to the wounded on the battlefield, endeavours, in its international and national capacity, to prevent and alleviate human suffering wherever it may be found. Its purpose is to protect life and health and to ensure respect for the human beings. It promotes mutual understanding, friendship, cooperation and lasting peace amongst all people.

The Governor said Red Cross Society makes no discrimination as to nationality, race, religious belief, class or political opinions. It endeavours to relieve the suffering of individuals, going solely by their needs, and gives priority to the most urgent cases of distress. In order to enjoy the confidence of all, the Movement does not take sides in hostilities or engages in controversies of political, racial, religious or ideological nature.

As the President of Indian Red Cross Society of Arunachal Pradesh State Branch, I am proud that our Arunachali Red Cross Society volunteers have taken initiative of helping people, by which ever method they could, to fight and prevent the Corona virus pandemic. They have organised blood donation camps and anti Corona virus awareness campaigns in the State. I am sanguine that the Red Cross volunteers will continue to render yeoman service to the needy and less privileged people, the Governor said.

On the World Red Cross Day, the Governor appealed to the people of Arunachal Pradesh to voluntarily donate blood and save lives.

Today, when our Nation is facing the threat of Corona Virus disease, I call upon the Red Cross volunteers to guide people on social distancing and prevent the spread of deadly corona virus disease infection in all appropriate ways, the Governor said.

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