

**ADDRESS BY THIRU BANWARILAL PUROHIT, HON'BLE GOVERNOR OF
TAMIL NADU AT THE INAUGURATION OF MULTI-SPECIALTY MEDICAL CAMP
ORGANSIED BY INDIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY, TAMIL NADU BRANCH AT M.N.M.
JAIN ENGINEERING COLLEGE, THORAIPAKKAM, CHENNAI
ON 27.09.2019 AT 10.20 A.M**

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Ladies & Gentlemen

It gives me pleasure to be here at the inauguration of the Multi-Specialty Medical camp and the Mass Blood donation camp being organised by the Tamil Nadu Branch of Indian Red Cross Society.

As you are all aware, the Red Cross was born in 1859, when Henry Dunant, a young Swiss gentleman, came upon the scene of a bloody battle in Solferino, Italy where 40,000 men lay dead or dying on the battlefield without medical attention.

The Indian chapter of the Red Cross Society (IRCS) was established after the First World War through an Act of Parliament in 1920.

Today's function comes on the eve of the commencement of the centenary celebrations of the Indian Red Cross Society.

For these hundred years in India, the Red Cross Society has been rendering humanitarian services for the benefit of the socially and economically downtrodden sections such as

- a) Running Day Care Hospitals
- b) Disaster Management & Relief activities
- c) Providing Artificial Limbs to the differently abled persons.
- d) Physiotherapy treatment.
- e) Running a Family Counseling Centre.
- f) Operating Creche Units

g) Providing Training in nursing and

h) Organising blood donation camps

The Multi-Specialty Medical Camp being organised today covers several Specialty areas such as E.N.T. Gynecology, Endocrinology, Ophthalmology, Pediatrics, Dermatology, Orthopedics, Dentistry, Nephrology, Neurology, Psychiatric, Diabetes, Siddha and Ayurvedha.

As a part of the Camp, Investigations like, Blood Grouping and Diabetes Tests are being carried out at free of cost.

Other tests like, Mammogram, Ultrasound Scan, ECG and PFT will also be carried out on medical advice at today's camp.

Follow –up treatment for those attending the camp will be provided at Red Cross Clinics Situated at Perumbakkam and Egmore.

Normally a hundred Blood Donation Camps are organised here in Tamil Nadu every year and about 7500 units of blood collected and distributed to hospitals. The supply of blood to Government hospitals is being given free of cost.

I am sure that the visitors to the camp will avail the medical facilities to the fullest extent. My special words of praise are reserved for the donors of blood who have come forward to donate blood in a selfless manner. May God shower his blessings on them in abundant measure.

I congratulate the office bearers of the Tamil Nadu Chapter of the Red Cross Society for having organised this camp in one of the suburbs of Chennai. I extend my best wishes and greetings to them and hope that they will multiply their activities several fold. May success visit them in all their noble endeavours.

Nandri Vanakkam.....

Jai Tamil Nadu....

Jai Hind....