



Speech of Hon'ble Governor  
& President of Indian Red Cross Society, AP Chapter,  
Sri Biswa Bhusan Harichandan  
participates as Chief Guest at the cultural programme  
at 5 p.m on January 01,2020 at Raj Bhavan

My dear Members of Red Cross Family,  
Wish you all Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New year!

I am really happy to share this pleasant evening with my young Junior Red Cross volunteers.

Red Cross is the greatest humanitarian organization in the world and we are all proud members of its service force.

We should always be ready to serve the people, especially those who are in distress.

Red Cross aims at eradicating human suffering in every possible way.

AP Red Cross is making all efforts to achieve this objective with various service activities.

This year, we decided to focus on two important activities. One is TREE PLANTATION and the other is VOLUNTARY BLOOD DONATION.

Protecting our Environment is the most pressing and immediate priority. We should all take it up in right earnest on a mission mode.

Every School, every College and every institution should allocate space for plants. Every campus must look green.

Hence, we have taken up the Programme of "PLANTING ONE LAKH SAPLINGS".

The volunteer force of Junior Red Cross and Youth Red Cross is making a difference in this noble work.

I am happy to know that all the Districts started working seriously on this programme. I am sure, we will go beyond the target by this month end. In the next academic year, we will take up a bigger target.

Our next priority is Blood Donation. I wish that no single life should be lost in this state for want of blood. Blood should be available to everyone who needs it and whenever he needs.

It is our collective responsibility to save our people by donating blood voluntarily. Every single life is precious. We must save them!

JRC volunteers should campaign for Blood Donation and YRC volunteers should donate blood.

This year, we wish to serve the people with best of our efforts. We are committed to the ideals and values of Red Cross.

I want the JRC and YRC volunteers to imbibe the spirit of service to become useful citizens and involve yourselves in the process of nation building.

As Mahatma Gandhi said "*The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others*" I want this message to be the guiding principle of all Red Cross members.

Lastly, I would like quote a well known saying: "*Paropakaram Idham Shareeram*" meaning 'The body has been given to us for doing good to others.'

Once again, I wish you a Happy New Year with vibrant service activities and great achievements! God bless you all!

Jai Hind