



## Red Cross

**Indian Red Cross:** The Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) is a voluntary humanitarian organization to protect human life and health based in India. The society's mission is to provide relief in times of disasters/emergencies and promote health and care of vulnerable people and communities. It has a network of over 700 branches throughout India. The Society uses the Red Cross as an emblem in common with other International Red Cross Societies. Volunteering has been at the very heart of the Indian Red Cross Society since its inception in 1920, with the Society having Youth and Junior volunteering programmes. The Society is closely associated with St. John Ambulance India.

1957, 19<sup>th</sup> International Red Cross Conference, New Delhi  
Stamp depicting Henri Dunant and Conference Emblem



8 May 1963, Red Cross Centenary ~ cancellation of Calcutta G.P.O

