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Sub: One year PG Diploma Course in Disaster Preparedness & Rehabilitation (part time programme) to the 9th (2014 - 2015) - Sponsorship of a few suitable officers.

This is regarding nominations for the one year Post Graduate Diploma Course in Disaster Preparedness & Rehabilitation (part time programme), 2014-2015 batch.

India is a disaster prone country and as auxiliary to the Government, Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) assists the Government in relief and rehabilitation activities following disasters. Red Cross has the mandate and rich experience of organizing relief operations in times of disaster. It has trained members who initiate action and get involved in rapid response in situations of calamity. However, there is a massive need to enlarge this cadre base of trained personnel in this field in view of the increased frequency of Disaster in India and other parts of the world.

As a leading institution in the field, IRCS launched a one year part time PG Diploma Course in Disaster Preparedness and Rehabilitation in 2006 which covers the curriculum on Public Health Emergencies, GPS, GIS, Informatics and Communication Technology, Relief Operations in manmade/natural disasters, relief inventory and store management, life supports & rehabilitation management and preparedness etc. The course is affiliated to the Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi. This provides a unique opportunity to working professionals and others to acquire necessary capabilities to provide leadership in the field in times of need. This part time course focuses on the development of skills and abilities in the field of disaster that matches the best practices available in this discipline today. Emphasis of the course has been to train professionals to improve the emergency response mechanism of the local bodies as far as preparedness, mitigation, relief and rehabilitation is concerned.

The course is conducted at the Disaster Management Centre, IRCS NHQ), 1-Red Cross Road, New Delhi-110001. The classes are being held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 6.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. and on

Saturdays from 10.00 am to 2.00 p.m.

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Besides didactic lectures, IRCS provides opportunities to the students in field drills and simulation exercises. The list of officers nominated by your department to this course in the previous batches is enclosed.

A copy of the circular issued in this regard as well as the prospectus is enclosed. The 9th batch is scheduled to commence from Monday, the 22nd September 2014. The last date for the receipt of nominations in IRCS (NHQ) is 13th September, 2014. Application form and further details about the course are also available at website (www.indianredcross.org).

In view of the above, I request you to kindly sponsor some of your officers for this course, whose services may be used in future for disaster prevention and response activities and also to provide leadership in the field in times of need.

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Yours sincerely,

(Dr. S.P.Agarwal)

Encl: as above.

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CIRCULAR

Sub: Admission to the 9th batch (2014-15) of one year, part time course in Post Graduate Diploma in Disaster Preparedness and Rehabilitation affiliated to GGSIP University, Delhi.

The Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) established in 1920 by an Act of Parliament, is one of the largest statutory humanitarian organization with 12 million volunteers and members. It reaches the community at the grass root level through its 700 branches spread all over the country. It is affiliated to the International Federation of Red Cross Red Crescent Societies which is the world 's largest humanitarian volunteer based network serving the vulnerable people across 187 countries. The IRCS strives to protect human life and is actively engaged in disaster response, relief, preparedness, health care and blood services in the community. The IRCS has developed a Disaster Management Centre at its National Headquarters which serves as a hub for disaster management related activities.

- 2. Indian Red Cross Society, as auxiliary to the Government, assists the Government in providing relief and rehabilitation following disasters. Red Cross has the mandate and rich experience of organizing relief operations in times of disaster. It has trained members who initiate action and get involved in rapid response in situation of calamity.
- 3. Since 2006, The Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) is running a part time Post Graduate Diploma Course in Disaster Preparedness and Rehabilitation for working professionals and others. The course focuses on the development of skills and abilities of human resources that match the best practices available in the field today. The course is affiliated to the Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi and is being conducted at the Disaster Management Centre, IRCS (NHQ), 1- Red Cross Road, New Delhi-110001. In the last 8 years, it has trained more than 250 managers who in turn can empower the community in planning, managing and coping with disasters in a planned scientific and systematic manner. However, there is a huge need to enlarge this cadre base of trained managers.

- 4. The objective of the course is to develop a cadre of experts who would in times of need respond to disaster efficiently and effectively and be able to train others to provide succor to the people in distress. The IRCS proposes to provide preference to sponsored candidates from the Government, International Organizations, Partner National Societies (PNSs), Local bodies, etc. It is therefore requested that eligible/interested candidates may be nominated/sponsored.
- 5. A copy of the prospectus and application form for the ninth batch scheduled to commence from Monday, the 22rd September 2014 is enclosed. It is also available at the website www.indianredcross.org. The last date for receipt of application along with processing fees of Rs.500/- in IRCS (NHQ) is 13th September, 2014.

You are requested to kindly sponsor suitable candidates for the course (2014-15 batch).

(Dr. Veer Bhushan)
Joint Secretary

Encl .as above