

YOUTH REDCROSS

POLICY:

The Youth Red Cross is a most important constituent of its mother organization Indian Red Cross Society. YRC aims at inculcating the 7 fundamental principles of the Red Cross movement viz., Humanity, Impartiality, Neutrality, Independence, Voluntary Service, Unity and Universality. The Youth Red Cross is organized with a view to develop and deploy student youth resource for working towards these principles.

It also aims at inculcating in youth the ideals and practice of service specially in relation to:

1. Taking care of their own health and that of others.
2. Understanding and accepting civic responsibility.
3. Promotion of national and international understanding and goodwill by using their international link of the movement.
4. Promotion of volunteerism.

1. YOUTH RED CROSS AFFILIATION:

All Govt./ Aided/ Non-Aided First Grade Colleges, Engineering, Health, Science, Agricultural, Horticultural, Veterinary Science, Forestry, Fisheries, Teacher Education, Law Colleges, Polytechnics and any recognized degree colleges shall apply to the Karnataka State Branch of the Indian Red Cross Society on the prescribed format for grant of affiliation by paying onetime fee which is presently Rs. 1,500/-, The Indian Red Cross Society, Karnataka State Branch shall within a period of 30 days of the receipt of application shall issue a certificate of affiliation to the applicant.

2. YOUTH RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP:

All students admitted to the Degree, Post Graduate and Diploma Courses by virtue of their joining the college / Polytechnic, keeping attendance as per university rules and paying the prescribed Youth Red Cross fee shall become the members of the Youth Red Cross of that college / Polytechnic.

CORE GROUP VOLUNTEERS

Any member of YRC who can volunteer his / her time and talent for the cause of Youth Red Cross can become a core group volunteer upon making an application to and on selection by the Youth Red Cross Programme Officer.

3. YOUTH RED CROSS UNIT:

- a) The Youth Red Cross units shall consist of 100 Core Group Volunteers or 33% of the total membership.
- b) A college / institute may organized more than one YRC unit for every 300 or more students.
- c) Where the student strength is below 300, the 'Youth Red Cross unit' may consist of less number of volunteers.

4. PROGRAM OFFICER:

Program Officer shall be appointed by the Principal of the College.

1. From among the members of the teaching faculty who has the required knowledge, attitude, skills and values that the job demands.
2. Other things being equal, the Physical Instructor (or equivalent) or Librarian may also be appointed.
3. Faculty Members appointed on ad-hoc basis may also be considered at the discretion of the Principal.

5. TENURE:

The term of appointment of Youth Red Cross Programme Officers will be 3 years in the first instance, extendable to another term subject to review of his performance by the Principal and University Youth Red Cross Nodal Officer.

6. FUNCTIONS OF PROGRAM OFFICERS:

While all the activities of the YRC are expected to be planned, executed and evaluated by the volunteers themselves, the Program Officers shall guide them as friend and philosopher. As the leader of the team his / her role is to help the team set the goal and set the volunteers towards the goal.

7. OUT OF POCKET ALLOWANCE:

1. The YRC Program Officers are entitled to OPA of Rs.400/- p.m.
2. In case of smaller units, the OPA entitlement will be 50% of the upper limit.

8. YRC STUDENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The YRC Unit shall conduct its day to day business by a duly constituted committee by selecting or electing 10 members among the core group volunteers.

The Managing Committee in its first meeting shall select or elect their student Vice Chairman, Secretary, Joint Secretary. The Program Officer shall be the Chairperson.

9. YRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

At the college level there shall be an Advisory Committee consisting of

- a) Principal - Chairperson
- b) Program Officer - Secretary
- c) One faculty member
- d) Student Vice Chairman
- e) Student Secretary
- f) One representative from District/Taluk Branch of IRCS.

Adequate representation of women to be ensured wherever applicable.

10. FUNCTIONS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The committee will meet at least twice a year

- a. To plan and review Youth Red Cross activities.
- b. To approve YRC Budget.

- c. To Prepare action plan.
- d. To advice on YRC related programs and activities.
- e. To address YRC related issues and problems.

11. MAINTENANCE OF ACCOUNTS:

It shall be the responsibility of the college to maintain separate accounts of the Youth Red Cross fee received and ensure its periodic audit by a Chartered Accountant or as per Govt./grant-in-aid/institutional norms as applicable. The institute/college shall submit audited statement of account to the Nodal Officer.