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Blood Donation Camp organized by IUST today

A Blood Donation Camp was organized by Islamic University of Science and Technology in association with Blood Bank of District Hospital, Pulwama today on August 3, 2022. The Camp organized as a part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav had an overwhelming response from staff and students in which about a hundred units of blood were donated.

Emphasizing the relevance of such camps, Prof. Shakil A Romshoo (Vice Chancellor IUST) said, "Blood donation camps have been a regular feature at IUST, but due to the pandemic we were not able to conduct them for the last 2 years. We plan to organize two blood donation camps every year as blood is a vital resource that can only be donated and not manufactured". He further added, "Apart from academics, the institution extends support to nurture ethical, social, and human values. Blood donation is an important social service.".

"Blood donation saves lives. By donating blood, you don't save a single life, but support all the members of his/her family who are dependent on that person. The people who donate blood are as happier as the ones who receive it", said Prof. Naseer Iqbal (Registrar, IUST)

"By creating such camps, IUST Health Centre is creating awareness amongst students about the serious problems of acute blood shortage and is trying to encourage first-time donors to curb their initial hesitation and fear of blood donation", said Dr. Zahida Rasool (Medical Officer, IUST). "Donating blood has benefits for our emotional as well as physical health. It is a life-saving process that benefits the donors as well as the recipients", said Mr. Sameer Wazir (Finance Officer IUST, also a donor). "It saves lives, that brings peace. So, I request all to come forward and donate blood for humanity", said Tajamul, another donor.

The donors will be provided appreciation certificates.