

# TATA MEMORIAL CENTRE

TATA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

AND

ADVANCED CENTRE FOR THE TREATMENT, RESEARCH & EDUCATION IN CANCER  
(A Grant-in-Aid Institute under Department of Atomic Energy, Govt. of India)

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**Sub: Thanking you for your donation during the Covid 19 crises**

Dear Mrs. Goenka,

Tata Memorial Hospital, one of the largest cancer centres in this part of the world, is a ***Grant-in-Aid Institute under the Dept of Atomic Energy, Govt of India***. Annually, over 70000 new cancer patients are treated at the centre in Mumbai, majority of them coming from economically challenged background and the hospital supports the treatment of majority of these patients (over 60% of patients are treated either completely free or at highly subsidized cost). More than 80 percent of these patients come from outside Mumbai and have to stay here for long periods (6-12 months) to undergo cancer therapy.

As you are aware the recent outbreak of COVID-19 has brought on an unprecedented challenge to the health sector globally. Unlike many of the general hospitals where routine elective procedures and treatments have been postponed during this COVID-19 pandemic, Oncology centres are unable to stop or postpone cancer therapies in a majority of their patients. Stopping therapy in these patients, who have aggressive cancer, would mean a significant impact on their chances of cure and survival. **This essentially means we are continuing many of routine services in Tata Memorial Hospital, in spite of the COVID-19 outbreak.**

**We appreciate your donation of 2345 PPE's (personal protective equipments) for the staff taking care of the Covid patients. This has been of immense support to us in these times of crises.**

With best personal regards,

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