

The Blood Bank at AIIMS Raipur was inaugurated by honorable Director Professor Dr Nitin M Nagarkar on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at AIIMS Raipur. The Blood Bank acquired its license few weeks back for Whole Blood I.P. and Platelet concentrate (by Apheresis). The department of Transfusion Medicine was operating a Blood Storage Centre for blood components before the inauguration of Blood Bank and shall be endeavoring to recruit Voluntary Blood donors for blood donation at AIIMS Raipur and promoting healthy and safe Blood Transfusion practices in the institute. June 14<sup>th</sup> which also is a “WHO World Blood Donor day” and birth day of Nobel Laureate Karl Landsteiner the person credited with the blood group classification in the 1900 is a source of inspiration for us all and department of Transfusion Medicine AIIMS Raipur shall strive towards getting the latest Blood banking technology for the patients admitted at AIIMS Raipur.