

Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Situation Update Report – 62

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HIGHLIGHTS

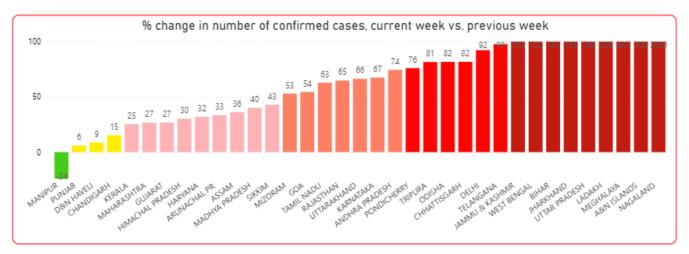
- Union Health Minister launches Integrated Health Information Platform (IHIP), the revised Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) digital platform (<u>Link</u>)
- PM reviews COVID-19 pandemic situation and Covid-19 vaccination (Link)
- Cabinet Secretary reviews COVID-19 status with all States/UTs (Link)
- COVID-19 vaccination to be offered on all days of April at all Public and Private COVID Vaccination Centers, including holidays (<u>Link</u>)
- Union Health Secretary and Member, NITI Aayog chair high level meeting to review COVID-19 status and public health measures taken by Punjab and Chandigarh (Link)
- Union Health Minister releases document titled "Chasing the Virus: A Public Health Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic" (<u>Link</u>)
- Director-General of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) makes presentation to Vice President on Sewage and Air Surveillance System to detect COVID-19 (Link)

INDIA SITUATION

- As of 5th April 2021, India reported a total of 12,589,067 confirmed cases and 103,558 confirmed cases within the past 24 hours. This is highest number of daily COVID-19 cases reported by India. A total of 165,101 deaths have been reported, details <u>here</u>.
- Now India is reporting highest number of daily cases in the world.
- Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Karnataka, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Delhi, and Uttar Pradesh report a steep rise in daily cases (Link)

COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES

In the past week, as compared to previous week, all states/UTs has shown an increase in cases except Manipur.



• In Kerala, nodal officers have been appointed to ensure safe conduct of assembly polls with adherence to COVID-19 protocol and guidelines

WHO Situation Update

India 12,589,067 Confirmed Cases 165,101 Total Deaths

South East Asia Region 15,341,391 Confirmed Cases 223,220 Total Deaths

World

131,020,967 Confirmed Cases 2,850,521 Deaths



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- In Himachal Pradesh, all congregations and langars inside and around places of worship have been prohibited
- In Maharashtra, lockdown over the weekends has been announced till 30 April

WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- Carl Bildt, former Prime Minister of Sweden, appointed WHO Special Envoy for the ACT-Accelerator; he will help lead the collective advocacy for the ACT-Accelerator, mobilizing support and resources towards its strategy for 2021., details <u>here</u>
- The "Living with the Times" toolkit from WHO contains illustrated posters with key messages for older adults on how to maintain their well-being during the COVID-19 pandemic, details <u>here</u>
- WHO calls for further studies on origin of SARS-CoV-2 virus, reiterates that all hypotheses remain open to identify the zoonotic source of the virus and the route of introduction to the human population, details <u>here</u>

WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

Coordination

- WCO continues to provide technical support to MoHFW, NCDC, ICMR and NDMA at the national level and through task force/control rooms at the state and district level in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Ta mil Nadu, Telangana, and Puducherry
- Participated in meetings regarding COVID-19 surge, response, and vaccination chaired by Chief Ministers, Health Ministers, Chief and/or Health Secretaries in **Delhi**, Haryana, Jammu and Kashmir, Maharashtra, Punjab, and Uttar Pradesh,
- Attended meetings chaired by Mission Director, National Health Mission regarding COVID -19 response and vaccination in **Karnataka**
- Continues to attend weekly review meeting of COVID Intensive Vaccination Committee chaired by Lieutenant Governor in **Puducherry**
- Participated in the expert committee meeting chaired by Chief Secretary in **Tamil Nadu** and presented COVID-19 situation data and vaccination monitoring indicators

COVID-19 vaccination

• WCO is supporting monitoring of vaccination sessions across the country and continues to provide surge support for training, microplanning and monitoring

Contact Tracing, Containment and Surveillance

- Country office continues to provide technical support for COVID-19 containment activities in **Andhra Pradesh** and **Uttar Pradesh**
- Supporting mask compliance study in all Kumbha Mela Zones in Haridwar, Uttar Pradesh

Essential Services

- Efforts to strengthen VPD surveillance and immunization are underway in Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Madhya Pradesh, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana
- Supporting Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, AP with sensitization efforts for surveillance of AFP/ MR/ DPT
- Supporting Haryana, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana in strengthening and streamlining AEFI surveillance
- Supporting AP, Chhattisgarh, Chandigarh, Gujarat, Haryana, J&K, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, MP, Telangana, in planning and implementation of Intensified Mission Indradhanush 3.0
- Supporting Haryana for National Immunization Day for Polio

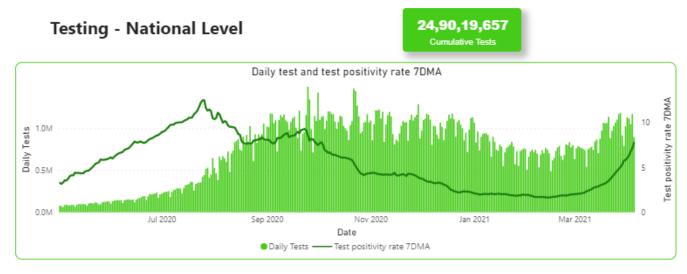


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- Facilitated workshop on modified case definition of Measles-Rubella in Chhattisgarh
- Successfully advocated for initiation of fever and rash surveillance in Gujarat

As of 5th April 2021, India has tested more than 249 M samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. Most of the large states are ramping RTPCR tests. India's current test positivity rate (7DMA) is 7.7%.



India continued to drive Covid-19 vaccinations among various age group with preconditions, details here.

Cumulative Coverage Report of COVID-19 Vaccination

(As on 06 Apr'21 at 07:00 AM)

	Beneficiaries vaccinated		
	1st Dose	2nd Dose	Total Doses
	7,22,77,309	1,08,33,617	8,31,10,926
India	(39,00,505 in last 24 Hours)	(4,00,461 in last 24 Hours)	(43,00,966 in last 24 Hours)

GUIDELINES THIS WEEK

- Therapeutics and COVID-19: living guideline [LINK]
- WHO-convened global study of origins of SARS-CoV-2: China Part [LINK]

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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