# Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Data as reported by the Thai Ministry of Public Health



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# **WHO Thailand Situation Report**







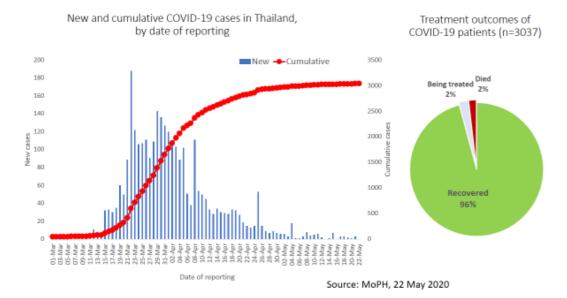




THAILAND SITUATION IN THE PAST 24 HOURS

### **SPOTLIGHT**

- On the 22nd of May 2020, there were no new cases of COVID-19 announced by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand (MoPH). The total number of cases remains at 3,037.
- Two Thai returnees from Egypt and India have been tested and awaiting test results.
- There has been a total of 45 confirmed cases in the past two weeks, the majority are imported cases being held in state quarantine (15). The rest of the cases are the result of close contact with a previously confirmed case (11); active case finding (6); detainees in Immigration Detention Centres (5); persons who frequented crowded places (5); and persons working in vulnerable occupations (3).
- No new deaths were reported today.



### **UPDATE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND**

• The number of reported influenza patients has reduced significantly in 2020 as compared with the same period in 2019, due to the implementation of public health interventions for COVID-19. However, people in groups 'at-risk' for influenza are still encouraged to get influenza vaccination for free at public health facilities.

#### COVID-19 vaccines in Thailand

- Thailand is in the initial stages of vaccine development. The vaccination 'Team Thailand' includes the academic sector, government research institutes and private companies which developing various types of vaccine.
- The vision of Thailand's COVID-19 vaccine blueprint is to ensure access to a vaccine for the Thai population, using two strategies:
  - Produce vaccines through memoranda of understanding and dialogue with vaccine producing countries, including;
    - o advance purchasing from vaccine manufacturers
    - o receiving technology transfer, and improving existing vaccine manufacturing plants, including national self-reliance in production

- Develop vaccines by supporting domestic research & development, establishment of infrastructure, and encouraging sustainable research for future epidemic and vaccine security.
- The envisaged timeline to have infrastructure in place for domestic vaccine production is three years.

# **UPDATES FROM THE CENTRE FOR COVID-19 SITUATION ADMINISTRATION**

The Prime Minister chaired the CCSA meeting today. Key issues discussed include:

- 1. Submission to the cabinet for consideration next week of a proposed extension of the emergency decree to 30 June 2020.
- 2. Assessing the plan for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> phase of relaxation restrictions i.e. curfew hours, types of establishments to reopen.
- 3. Continuation of public health measures to curb the COVID-19 epidemic: individuals and the business owners are encouraged to use Thai-Chana platform to help prevent the spread of virus.

### ADVICE FOR THE PUBLIC



## WHAT WHO IS DOING TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THAILAND

WHO Thailand is in frequent direct contact with the Royal Thai Government through the Ministry of Public Health, sharing information on key developments, guidelines and scientific updates.

WHO supports the wider UN response, including working with key partners and the Ministry of Public Health to support migrant populations in Thailand. WHO also provides information and advice to staff of the UN system in Thailand.



- The Thailand COVID19 situation report is available in Thai and English, please visit.
- For regular updates on WHO's response in Thailand, please visit.
- For global figures and technical advice from WHO, please visit.

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