Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Data as reported by the Thai Ministry of Public Health



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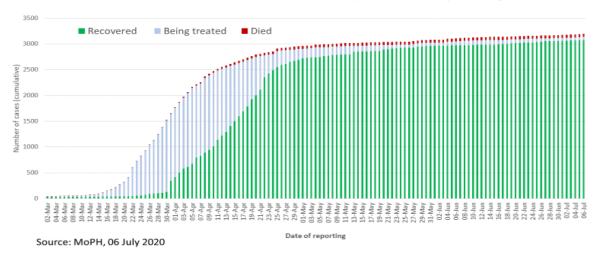


THAILAND SITUATION UPDATE

SPOTLIGHT

- On the 6th of July 2020, five new cases of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 were reported by the Ministry of Public Health. The total number of cases reported in Thailand is currently 3,195.
- Of these cases, about 96% (3,072) have recovered, 2% (58) have died and 2% (65) are still receiving treatment.
- All five new cases are in Thai nationals currently in State Quarantine, who returned from Kuwait. Four are male workers aged 34, 46, 48 and 51 years. The other is 37-year-old female massage practitioner. All five cases were on the same flight with five previously confirmed cases and arrived in Thailand on June 29th. Three of the new cases were confirmed COVID-19 positive on July 2nd and two were confirmed on July 5th while in State Quarantine in Bangkok. All of them were asymptomatic.
- No new deaths were reported today.
- In the past six weeks, all COVID-19 cases detected in Thailand have been in repatriated Thai nationals (there were no reported cases due to local transmission). Members of the public must continue to follow preventive measures including distancing, regular handwashing, avoiding touching the face, wearing masks when visiting crowded places and coughing only into a folded elbow or a tissue (which should be disposed of safely).

COVID-19 cases in Thailand, by date of reporting



UPDATE FROM THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Research on immunity from COVID19: treatment with plasma donated by survivors.

A study by Chulalongkorn University, the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration and the Thai Red Cross Society showed that 10%-12% of about 300 recovered Thai patients had no measurable immunity against COVID-19. Studies elsewhere have shown similar results. Levels of immunity might correlate with severity of illness. The study will follow-up subjects to measure levels of immunity at six months and one year after infection.

Recovered COVID-19 patients are being invited to donate plasma through a COVID-19 Hero volunteer programme. As a result, about 250 bags are now available and will be used as a potential therapy for acutely infected individuals

UPDATE FROM THE CCSA

Repatriation flights

- Because repatriation flights are not always full, the CCSA has approved that nationals from China, Hong Kong, Japan, Singapore and South Korea who intend to invest in business in Thailand may travel on the same flights, with the condition that they have to test COVID-19 -ve before travel and stay in alternative or State Quarantine on arrival for 14 days.
- For a short-term stay, citizens of these countries may enter a fast-track system which will bypass the quarantine system. However, they will need strict screening and testing at the point of origin and after arrival. Government invitees will be escorted by a liaison team and only private transportation may be used for the duration of their visit.
- Of the cumulative 52,957 Thai repatriates who entered the State Quarantine system, 43,849 have been discharged. A total of 258 cases have tested COVID-19 positive and 193 have recovered.

Suan Dusit Poll on lifestyle after phase 5 of lockdown easing

A survey on phase 5 of easing lockdown restrictions showed that 52.93% of people felt less worried about the COVID-19 situation in Thailand. Up to 39.40% believed the crisis would be over by the end of 2020. Approximately 95% of respondents believed that wearing face masks is an effective way to control COVID-19 and around 78% want the government to continue implementing and monitoring strict control measures.

Medical and wellness tourism

Individuals coming to Thailand through the medical and wellness programme will have to cover all related expenses. A 14 day guarantine will have to be undertaken before approval can be given to travel to other parts of the country. It is expected that this programme will help to generate income during the COVID-19 crisis.



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 Thailand English, please visit.
- For regular updates on WHO's response in Thailand, please visit.
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