

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Situation Report – 47

Timor-Leste

Data as reported by 30 June 2020

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Prime Minister's Office officially dissolved the "Integrated Centre for Crisis Management" and handed over the COVID-19 response, management, and coordination to the Ministry of Health (MoH). The Prime Minister in a statement said, "We appreciate the support offered UN agencies, other partners, and embassies. The response to COVID-19 is not one person or one entity's job or responsibility, it requires collective effort – from all of society. It is also imperative that everyone adheres to the preventive measures recommended by the MoH and WHO."
- Over 40 health workers comprising doctors, nurses, midwives, and health administrators of **Viqueque municipality** underwent hand hygiene training. This is a part of the month-long campaign by the MoH, the Timor-Leste nursing association and WHO to reinforce hand hygiene not only in the context of COVID-19 but also to attain better health outcomes overall and strengthen infection prevention and control (IPC) in health facilities and district health offices.
- IOM in partnership with WHO and USAID provided 30 android tablets pre-installed with Flow Monitoring software to the Timor-Leste Border Police force for COVID-19 mobility surveillance and data collection in the border districts. In addition, 40 Border Police force personnel were also trained on the use of kobo toolbox for flow monitoring.
- The MoH with support from WHO is carrying out advocacy and community engagement on active surveillance targeting community leaders in the border district of Oecusse. The advocacy and community engagement sessions are designed to sensitize the communities on COVID-19 preventive measures. This activity is financially supported by USAID.

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

24 confirmed (0 new)
0 deaths

(As per data released by the
[Ministry of Health](#))

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[Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

More information and guidance
by WHO regarding the current
COVID-19 outbreak can be found
[here](#).

GLOBAL SITUATION IN NUMBERS

Total (new) cases in last 24 hours

Globally

10 021 401 confirmed (178 328)
499 913 deaths (4 153)

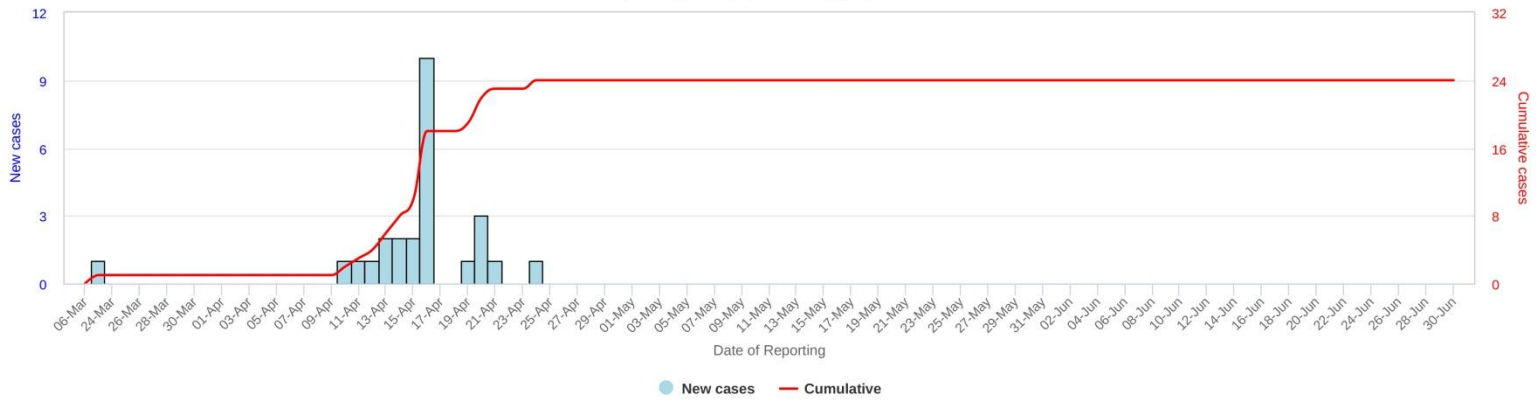
WHO RISK ASSESSMENT

Global Level Very High



New and cumulative COVID-19 cases in Timor-Leste by date of reporting

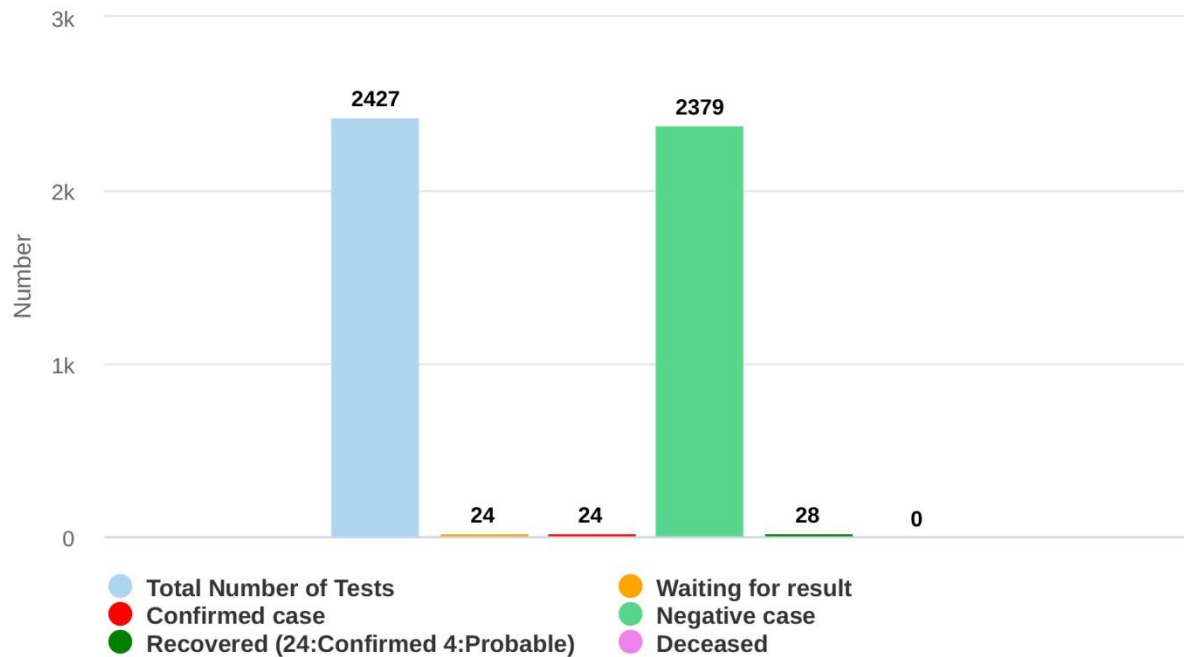
(30-Jun-2020 : New cases-0 Cumulative-24)



Source : National Directorate of Disease Control - Department of Epidemic Surveillance

Current Situation : COVID-19 Timor-Leste

(Cumulative figures)



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WHO TIMOR-LESTE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- Interrupt human-to-human transmission including reducing secondary infections among close contacts and health care workers, preventing transmission amplification events;
 - Strengthening of surveillance systems and increasing laboratory capacity to detect COVID-19 cases;
 - Ensuring adherence to the strictest standards of infection prevention and control (IPC) and increase capacity for IPC;
 - Identify, isolate and care for patients early, including providing optimized care for infected patients;
 - Communicate critical risk and event information to all communities and counter misinformation;
 - Minimize social and economic impact through multisectoral partnerships.
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RECOMMENDATIONS AND ADVICE FOR THE PUBLIC

Wash your hands frequently

Regularly and thoroughly clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water.

Why? Washing your hands with soap and water or using alcohol-based hand rub kills viruses that may be on your hands.

Maintain physical distancing

Maintain at least 1 metre (3 feet) distance between yourself and others.

Why? When someone coughs or sneezes they spray small liquid droplets from their nose or mouth which may contain virus. If you are too close, you can breathe in the droplets, including the COVID-19 virus if the person coughing is infected.

Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth

Why? Hands touch many surfaces and can pick up viruses. Once contaminated, hands can transfer the virus to your eyes, nose or mouth. From there, the virus can enter your body and make you sick.

Practice respiratory hygiene

Make sure you, and the people around you, follow good respiratory hygiene. This means covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze. Then dispose of the used tissue safely immediately.

Why? Droplets spread virus. By following good respiratory hygiene you protect the people around you from viruses such as cold, flu and COVID-19.

If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early

Stay home if you feel unwell. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance. Follow the directions of health authorities.

Why? Calling in advance will allow your health care provider to quickly direct you to the right health facility. This will also protect you and help prevent spread of viruses and other infections.

Stay informed and follow advice given by your healthcare provider

Stay informed on the latest developments about COVID-19. Follow advice given by your healthcare provider, your national and local public health authority or your employer on how to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.

Why? National and local authorities will have the most up to date information on whether COVID-19 is spreading in your area. They are best placed to advise on what people in your area should be doing to protect themselves.

More guidance on preventive measures is available [here](#).

COVID-19 Information and media queries:

- The MoH has established a hotline number – 119 – for COVID-19 on which people can call to get any COVID-19 related information.
 - Additionally, [MoH Facebook page](#) provides timely updates on COVID-19 developments in the country.
 - WHO Timor-Leste through its [Facebook page](#) and [Twitter handle](#) also disseminates information on preventive measures, questions and answers, myth-busters and latest updates on COVID-19 globally and nationally. For media queries and interviews requests can be sent to singhsho@who.int and hasane@who.int
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