

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Situation Report – 97

Timor-Leste

Data as reported by 28 April 2021

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Ministry of Health (MoH) reported **615** new cases of COVID-19 since the last time of reporting (21.04.2021) – this takes the total tally of COVID-19 cases to **2,663**. All patients are admitted to the designated isolation and treatment facilities at Vera Cruz, Tasitolu, Tibar, Lahane and other government identified isolation hotels and centers.

As on 27.04.2021 – the National Health Laboratory (NHL) performed **65,835** COVID-19 tests including samples collected through targeted mass screenings in the affected municipalities.

- The surveillance team, as per the national guideline is working on further investigation and contact tracing. More details about the new cases can be found at the Ministry of Health's (MoH) Facebook page, [Palacio das Cinzas](#).
- As part of ongoing COVID-19 response and response to the recent flash floods in some parts of the country, WHO brought 13 metric tonnes of emergency supplies by a chartered flight supported by WFP. The flight brought PPEs, emergency medicines, field deployment kits and other consumables.
- All municipalities continue to roll out the COVID-19 vaccine. So far, **27,640** doses have been administered across the country. In average, the vials received able to vaccinate up to 12 people. The 1st phase is for health workers, frontline workers and other essential services and support staff and this phase will be completed soon.
- Besides COVID-19 response, the National Health Laboratory (NHL) is also ensuring the essential health services are maintained. To further strengthen the lab capacity and resources, WHO supported refurbishment of Parasitology Laboratory and provided essential equipment and consumables to the NHL. The Parasitology Laboratory will play a key role in evidence-based confirmation of Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) elimination and control in the country. All these activities were in collaboration and through the financial support from KOICA
- As part of COVID-19 response and to recent flash floods, WHO in collaboration with CVTL conducted PPE training for 24 volunteers comprising medical doctors, nurses and paramedics.

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

2124 confirmed (**615** new)
1020 recovered (**260** new)
1104 active cases
3 deaths

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

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

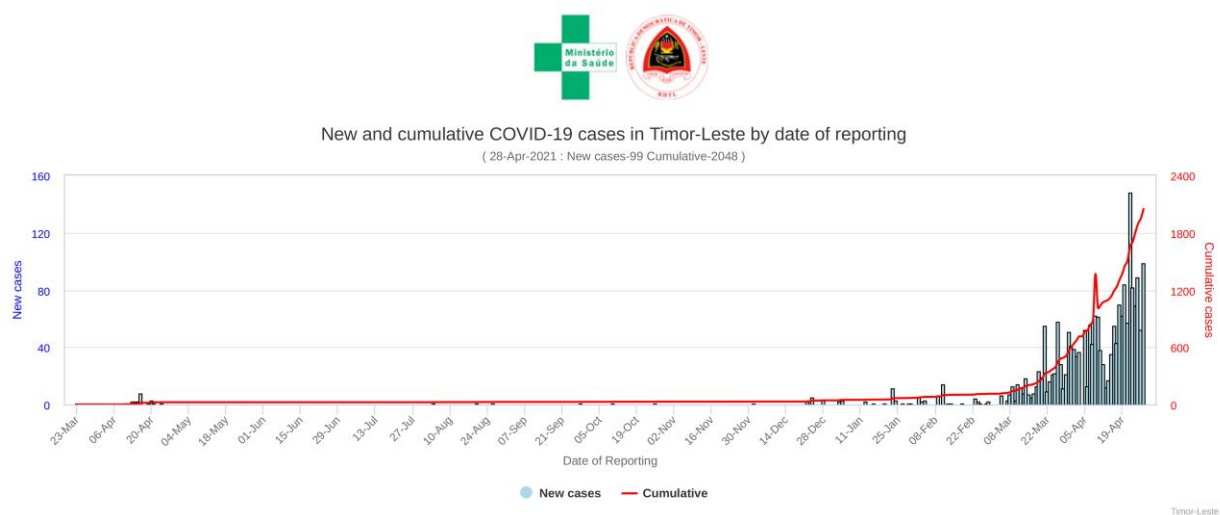
GLOBAL SITUATION IN NUMBERS

Total (new) cases in last seven
days

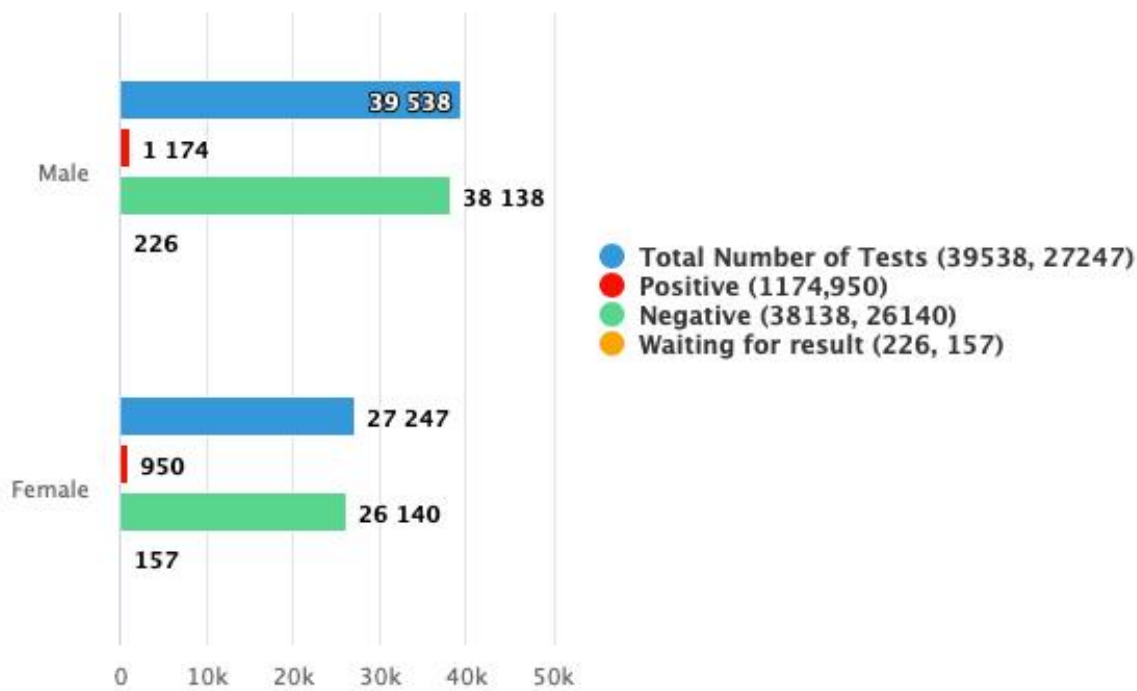
Globally

146 067 511 confirmed (**5 695 277**)
3 092 497 deaths (**87 826**)

- WHO supported the Health Emergency Operations Center (HEOC) of the National Services of Ambulance and Medical Emergency (SNAEM) to conduct rapid health facility assessments in 25 healthcare facilities in Dili.

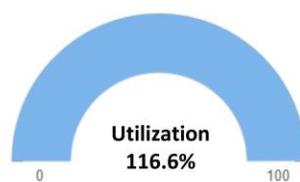


Laboratory Test Results : COVID-19 Timor-Leste
(28-Apr-2021 : Cumulative figures)



Progress of the COVID Vaccination Campaign

as of 28/04/2021 5.00am



District wise: Positive case

Dili : 1720 | Other Districts : 328



Timor-Leste

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.

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.

Use face mask when physical distancing is not possible

Why? If when you're in a setting where maintaining the physical distance of 1 meter or more is not possible due to the space constraint, then it is imperative that you use a face mask as it can help in stopping the transmission of COVID-19

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.

Protect ourselves and our loved ones against #COVID19:

- Wash your hands frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Avoid touching your face
- Avoid crowded places and limit time in enclosed spaces
- Keep a distance of at least 1 metre from others
- Use of mask is imperative when physical-distancing is not possible.
- Regularly clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Isolate yourself from others if feeling unwell and seek care, if needed

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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