

Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Situation Update Report – 100

December 29, 2021

HIGHLIGHTS

- Vaccination of age-group 15-18 years to start from 3 January 2022 (Link)
- Center reviews Public Health Response Measures and Vaccination Status with five poll bound states (Link)
- Hon'ble Prime Minister chairs high-level meeting to review status of COVID-19, Omicron variant, and preparedness of health systems across the country (<u>Link</u>)
- States advised to be vigilant and monitor case positivity, doubling rate, clusters of new cases across districts in view of the omicron variant (<u>Link</u>)

WHO Situation Update

India

34,799,691 Confirmed Cases 480,290 Total Deaths

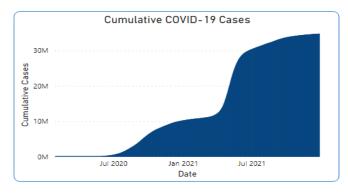
South East Asia Region 44,918,875 Confirmed Cases 720,174 Total Deaths

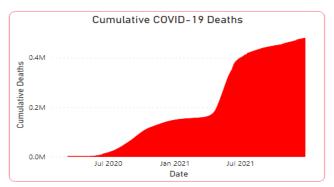
World

280,119,931 Confirmed Cases 5,403,662 Deaths

INDIA SITUATION

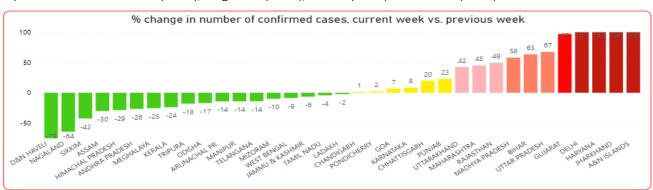
- As of 28 December 2021, India reported a total of 34,799,691 confirmed cases. In the past 24 hours, 6,358 confirmed cases have been reported. Currently cases per million is 24,490 (7 DMA).
- India's Active caseload currently stands at 75,456; Active cases account for less than 1% of total cases, currently at 0.22%; Lowest since March 2020. The current recovery rate is 98.40%, highest since March 2020 (Link).





COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES

- A total of 653 cases of Omicron detected from across 21 States/UTs. Maharashtra and Delhi remain the top two with 167 & 165 Omicron cases (https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1785685, 28 Dec)
- Top five states, namely, Maharashtra, Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Andhra Pradesh contributed 57% of total cases. During last seven days 47,527 cases reported in country with Kerala reporting the highest number of cases (16,939 36% of total cases) followed by Maharashtra (9,174) and Tamil Nadu (4,231)
- In the past week (22-28 December), as compared to previous week (15-21 December), 17 states have shown an increase in cases while 18 states have shown a decline in cases (Table reference). Higher decline has been reported from D&N Haveli (-75%), Nagaland (-64%), Sikkim (-42%) and Assam (-30%).



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WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- The Heads of WHO, International Monetary Fund, World Bank Group and World Trade Organization held highlevel consultations with Gavi and UNICEF aimed at increasing the use of COVID-19 vaccines and other critical medical countermeasures in low-income (LIC) and lower middle-income (LMIC) countries, details here
- WHO, with the support of the Strategic Advisory Group of Experts (SAGE) on Immunization and its COVID-19
 Vaccines Working Group issued statement which summarizes and contextualizes current evidence on booster vaccination, details here
- WHO endorsed Independent Allocation of Vaccines Group (IAVG) has issued a set of recommendations to make the allocation of COVID-19 vaccines more equitable and more effective including target of achieving 70% COVID-19 immunization coverage by Mid- 2022, details <a href="https://example.com/here-public-learning-new-public-learning-n

WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

Coordination

- WHO field staff participated in state and district task force meetings on current response, preparations for any possible future surges, vaccination; chaired by Chief Ministers, Health Ministers, Health Secretaries and MDs-NHM
- WHO continue 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, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, and Puducherry.
- WHO shared technical guidance on new Omicron variant.

COVID-19 vaccination

- WHO supported monitoring of vaccination sessions across the country and continue to provide surge support for training, microplanning and monitoring.
- "Har Ghar Dastak Abhiyan" for COVID-19 vaccination was supported in Haryana, Punjab, and Uttarakhand
- District level training for roll out of ZyCoV-D vaccine supported in **Jharkhand**.

Surveillance, Contact Tracing and Containment

- WHO Country office provided technical support and supportive supervision to monitor contact tracing; identifying containment zones for COVID-19 containment activities in Uttar Pradesh and provided feedback to the government health officials.
- Technical support provided to ongoing sero-survey in 5 Districts of Uttar Pradesh.

Support in ensuring delivery of Essential Health Services

- Strengthening VPD surveillance and immunization underway in Jammu & Kashmir, Maharashtra, and Madhya Pradesh.
- Supporting Haryana, Maharashtra, and Madhya Pradesh with upcoming National Immunization Day
- ZyCoV D vaccine roll out supported in Punjab
- JE vaccination campaign supported in **Maharashtra**.

As of 28 December 2021, India has tested more than 655 million samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. India's current test positivity rate (7DMA: 22-28 December) is 0.65%. A total of 10,35,495 tests reported on 28 December 2021.

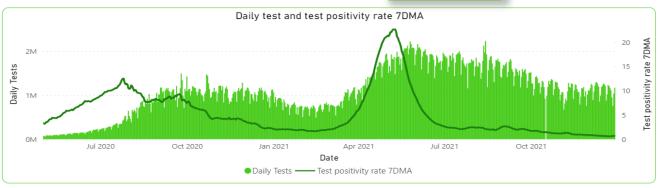


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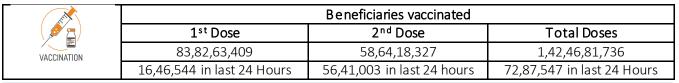


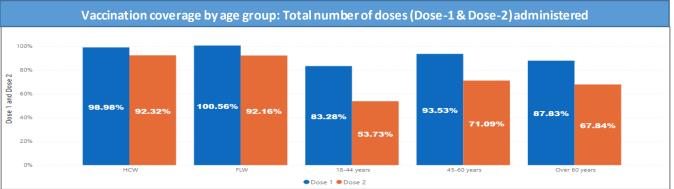
655,042,918 *
Cumulative Tests



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

Cumulative Coverage Report of COVID-19 vaccination (as on 28 December 2021, 07:00 AM)





IMPORTANT GUIDELINES/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

- MoHFW's COVID-19 Management Guidance for Adults (<u>LINK</u>)
- MoHFW's Guidelines for COVID-19 vaccination of children between 15-18 years and precaution dose to HCWs, FLWs & 60+ population with comorbidities (LINK)
- COVID-19 infection prevention and control living guideline: mask use in community settings (LINK)
- WHO recommendations on mask use by health workers, in light of the Omicron variant of concern: WHO interim guidelines (<u>LINK</u>)
- An implementation guide for the management of COVID-19 on board cargo ships and fishing vessels (<u>LINK</u>)
- Enhancing Readiness for Omicron (B.1.1.529): Technical Brief and Priority Actions for Member States (LINK)

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