**HIGHLIGHTS**

- COVID-19 vaccination drive for 15-18 age group commences (Link)
- Union Minister of Health reviews public health preparedness regarding COVID-19, and National COVID-19 vaccination progress with States/UTs (Link)
- Vice President calls for a sense of urgency in dealing with new surge in COVID cases (Link)

**INDIA SITUATION**

- In the past week (29 December 2021– 4 January 2022), as compared to previous week, all states have shown an increase in cases ranging from 8% to more than 100%.
- As on 3 January, apart from 104 districts, all districts have reported one or more than one COVID-19 case during last seven days.
- India’s active caseload currently stands at 1,71,830 and account for less than 1% of total cases, with recovery rate at 98.13%, 37,379 new cases in the past 24 hours; daily positivity rate (3.24%); and weekly positivity rate (2.05%) (Link)

**WHO GLOBAL UPDATE**

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<td>South East Asia Region</td>
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**COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES**

- In the past week (29 December 2021– 4 January 2022), as compared to previous week (22-28 December), all states have shown an increase in cases ranging from 8% to more than 100%.
WHO Evidence-to-Policy: Summit Calls for Action charts the way forward for systematic and improved evidence-informed health policy-making towards more resilient, equitable and sustainable global health, both for future emergencies and recurring political and societal challenges, details [here](#).

## WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

### Coordination
- WHO field staff are actively engaged in state and district task force meetings on current Omicron 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 based on emerging evidences.

### COVID-19 vaccination
- WHO supported monitoring of vaccination sessions across the country and provided surge support for training, microplanning and monitoring.
- “Har Ghar Dastak Abhiyan” for COVID-19 vaccination was supported in **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Puducherry, and Haryana**.
- WCO is assisting the roll out of COVID19 vaccination for the age group 15-18 years started on 3 January.

### 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.
- Supported house to house survey for ILI/SARI in **Uttar Pradesh**.

### Support in ensuring delivery of Essential Health Services
- Strengthening VPD surveillance and immunization in **Jammu & Kashmir, Maharashtra, and Madhya Pradesh**.
- Supported upcoming National Immunization Day in **Haryana, Maharashtra, and Madhya Pradesh** with **ZyCoV D vaccine roll out in Punjab.**
- **JE vaccination campaign in Maharashtra.**

### Capacity building
- Capacity building through training of medical officers on Routine Immunization and essential immunization services in **Karnataka and Telangana.**

### WHO support in Ensuring Continuity of Essential Services
- Strengthening VPD surveillance and immunization in **Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Madhya Pradesh, and Tamil Nadu.**
- Sensitization efforts for surveillance of AFP/ MR/ DPT in **Kerala.**
- Strengthening and streamlining AEFI surveillance in **Andhra Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh.**
- Supporting upcoming NID in **Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and West Bengal.**
- Planning for Intensified Mission Indradhanush 4.0 in **Dadar & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, Delhi, Haryana, and Tamil Nadu.**
As of 4 January 2022, India has tested more than 661 million samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. India’s current test positivity rate (7DMA) is 2.13%, this has increased almost three times during last week.

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

Cumulative Coverage Report of COVID-19 vaccination (as on 4 January 2022, 07:00 AM)

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Vaccination coverage by age group: Total number of doses (Dose-1 & Dose-2) administered

**IMPORTANT GUIDELINES/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS**

- Checklists for care, cleaning, disinfection and sterilization of respiratory devices ([LINK](#))
- Care, cleaning and disinfection of respiratory equipment in sterile services department ([LINK](#))
- Medical equipment related to oxygen therapy – Cleaning – task sequence ([LINK](#))

Click to access latest publications from [WHO](#) and [MoHPW](#)

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