

Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Situation Update Report – 23

July 5, 2020

HIGHLIGHTS

Prime Minister Office reviewed planning and preparations for **vaccination against Covid-19** details [here](#). With the announcement of **COVAXIN by Bharat Biotech and ZyCov-D Vaccine by Zydus Cadila**, Drug Controller General - CDSCO (The Central Drugs Standard Control Organization) approved human trials for the vaccines, details [here](#).

Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) issued guidelines for **Unlock 2** to open up of activities in areas outside the Containment Zones into effect from July 1, 2020, details [here](#).

Removal of obstructions paves the way for **ramped up COVID-19 testing** as Private Practitioner can also prescribe a COVID-19 test. Government of India reiterated that 'test-track-treat' is the key strategy for early detection and containment of the pandemic, details [here](#).

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India

648,315 Confirmed Cases

18,655 Total Deaths

South East Asia Region

888,732 Confirmed Cases

23,774 Total Deaths

World

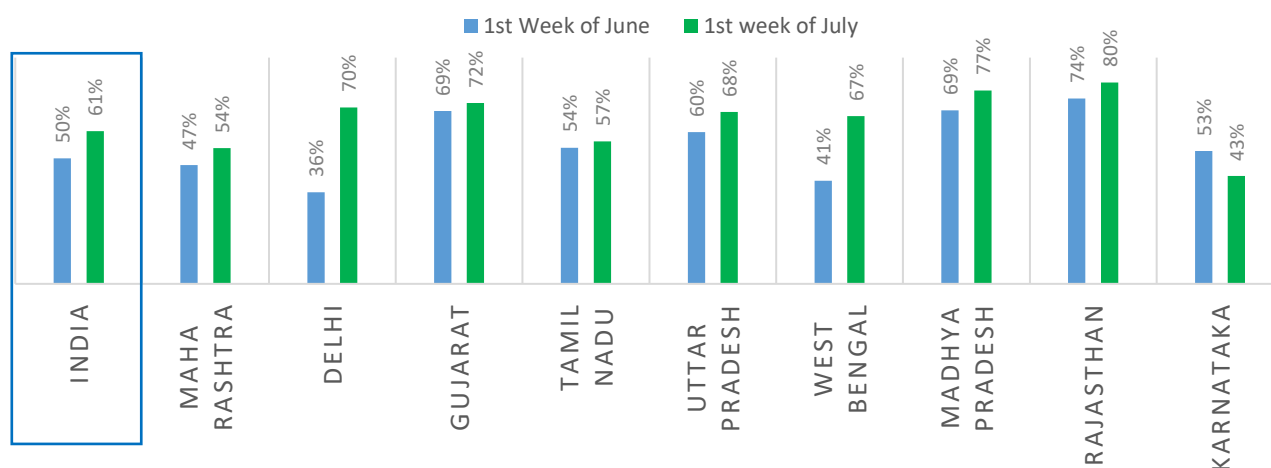
10,922,324 Confirmed Cases

523,011 Deaths

INDIA SITUATION

As on 05 July 2020, 08:00 IST there were 244,814 Active Cases, 409,082 Cured/Discharged, 1 Migrated and 19,268 Deaths in India. Collective and focused efforts of containment and management of COVID-19 by center and the States/UTs have led to rise in recovered cases among COVID-19 patients (figure below) details [here](#).

RECOVERY RATE AMONG CONFIRMED CASES ACROSS STATES WITH THE HIGHEST COVID-19 BURDEN



Source: MoHFW Government of India COVID-19 as on: 05 July 2020, 08:00 IST (GMT+5:30)

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WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- WHO accepted the recommendation from the Solidarity Trial's International Steering Committee to discontinue the trial's hydroxychloroquine and lopinavir/ritonavir arms, details [here](#).
- UN Secretary-General in his remarks to the Security Council on the Maintenance of International Peace and Security warned about the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on peace and security details [here](#).
- WHO launched a new, interactive e-learning course entitled "Controlling the Spread of COVID-19 at Ground Crossings", detail [here](#).

WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

WHO Country Office for India (WCO) continues to work closely with MoHFW, on preparedness and response measures including epidemiological assessment, surveillance, testing, case management, containment and research activities for COVID-19 at the national, state and district level.

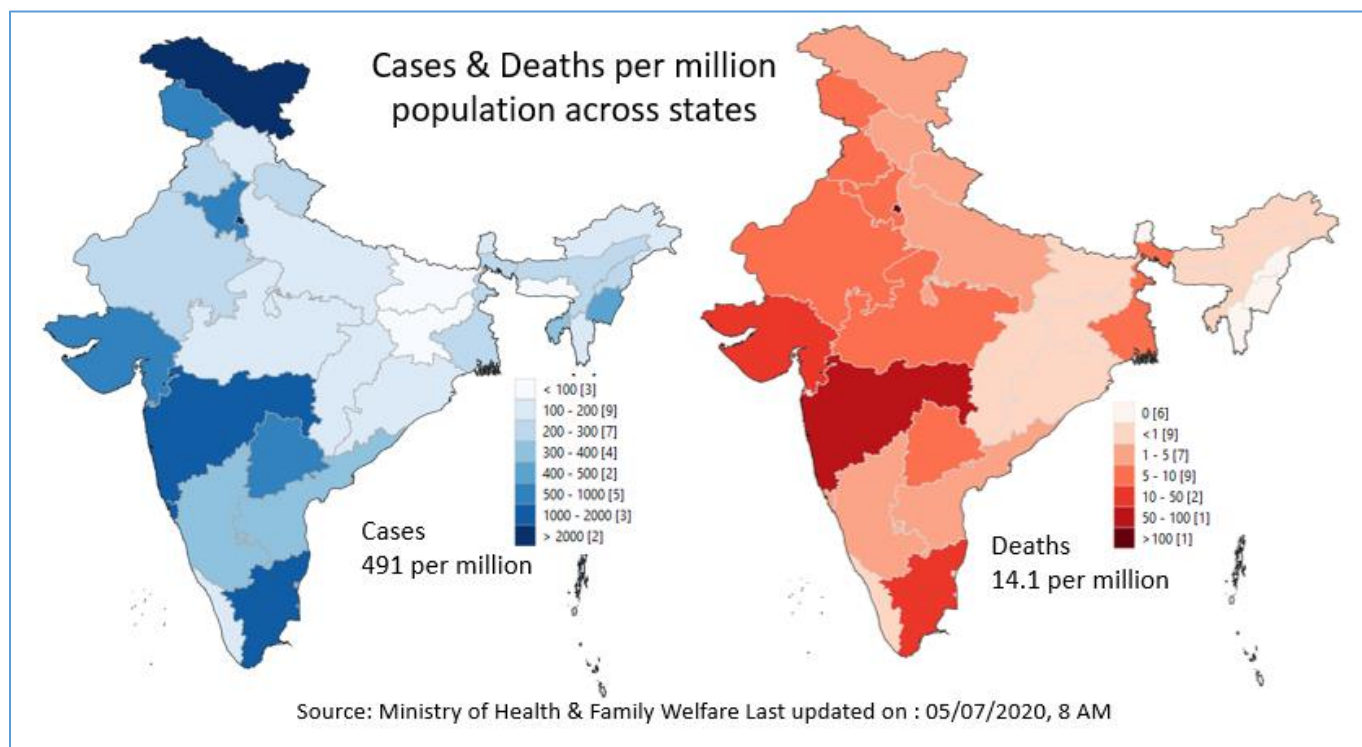
- **Co-ordination:** WCO personnel continue to be deployed with MoHFW to support SHOC room at the EMR Division and NCDC and provide technical advice to MoHFW through JMG (joint monitoring).
- **Partnership:** WHO and Partners are supporting States to increase their level of preparedness, alert and response to identify, manage and care for new cases of COVID-19.
 - Each state is assessing its risk and rapidly implementing necessary measures at the appropriate scale to reduce both COVID-19 transmission and economic, public and social impacts.
- **State Updates:** States across India have planned independent SARS-CoV-2 seroprevalence study (Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Delhi, Odisha etc.) after the national sero-survey by ICMR
 - **Delhi:** WCO is supporting state in setting up containment centers, currently 16,129 persons are under home isolation. All District Magistrates directed to ensure that all COVID-19 patient under home isolation have pulse oximeter. Chief Minister inaugurated India's first plasma bank at Institute of Liver & Biliary Sciences.
 - **Maharashtra:** Mumbai Municipal Corporation (MCGM) launched Mission Zero COVID using 50 mobile dispensary vans. 1476 out of every 1 million people in Maharashtra have tested positive for the virus. Case fatality rate (CFR) is 4.4% and doubling rate is 21 days. For the last week, state reported about 5000 cases daily on an average with an average growth of 3% per day.
 - **Kerala:** State has initiated Mobile Medical and surveillance units in all 14 districts to reach out to difficult geographical areas in view of surge in communicable diseases with onset of monsoon. Malappuram district has enforced lockdown in view of high number of contacts
 - **Uttar Pradesh:** About 160,000 ASHAs were trained with state and WCO field support that have tracked over 3,000,000 migrant returnees in Uttar Pradesh. MoHFW appreciated their role in contact tracing and surveillance for migrants.
- **RMNCAH:** WHO collaborating Centers have come together to standardize the reporting and management of COVID-19 and pregnancy across 20 high case-load facilities across the country.
- **Laboratory testing:** WHO continues to support ICMR in increasing the testing capacity of the country. ICMR has tested a total of 97,89,066 samples and in the last 24 hours 2,481,934 details [here](#).

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STATEWISE COVID CASES AND DEATHS PER MILLION



ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES THIS WEEK

1. WHO interim guidance on infection prevention and control strategies during health care of suspects or confirmed COVID-19 patients ([link](#))
2. WHO health advisory for critical preparedness for cyclones, tropical storms, tornadoes, floods and earthquakes during the pandemic ([link](#))
3. MoHFW Mental Health in the times of COVID-19 Pandemic Guidance for General Medical and Specialized Mental Health Care Settings ([link](#))
4. MoHFW Updated Clinical Management Protocol for COVID-19 ([link](#))
5. Hindi Videos on supporting COVID recovered patients ([link](#)); extending support towards persons returning home during COVID-19 ([link](#)) and showing respect to healthcare workers ([link](#))

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