

Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Situation Update Report – 44

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Ministry of Home Affairs issues revised guidelines for surveillance, containment and caution ([Link](#))
- Prime Minister chairs high level meeting with Chief Ministers of Haryana, Delhi, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Gujarat, and West Bengal to review status and preparedness of COVID-19 response and management ([Link](#))
- Prime Minister reviewed preparedness of COVID-19 vaccine delivery, distribution, and administration ([Link](#))
- Union Health Minister calls for continued focus on the goal to eliminate TB by 2025 through advocacy and engagement especially at a time when COVID-19 is taking prioritized attention ([Link](#))
- Minister of Health ensures that the COVIN portal and network will assure last mile vaccine delivery ([Link](#))
- Union Health Minister calls upon young scientists from Shanghai Cooperation Organization to collaborate to develop solutions for COVID-19 and common societal challenges ([Link](#))

WHO Situation Update 30.11

India

9 431 691 Confirmed Cases

137 139 Total Deaths

South East Asia Region

10 788 704 Confirmed Cases

164 144 Total Deaths

World

62 363 527 Confirmed Cases

1 456 687 Deaths

INDIA SITUATION

As of 30 November, India reported 9,431,691 confirmed cases. Past few days saw a slight increase in daily cases, which are now again declining. 38,772 confirmed cases were reported while 291, 826 cases were reported in the past week alone with is 6,732 cases per million. There were 137,139 total deaths reported, details [here](#).



Source: MoHFW as reported on the WHO India Country Office Dashboard

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WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- United Nations, IOM, ITU, OCHA, OHCHR, UNDP, UNEP, UNESCO, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNOPS, UPU, UN Volunteers, UN Women, WFP and WHO support the adoption of the following joint statement, in line with the UN Personal Data Protection and Privacy Principles adopted by the UN System Organizations to support its use of data and technology in the COVID-19 response in a way that respects the right to privacy and other human rights and promotes economic and social development, details [here](#).
- WHO has prepared Draft landscape of COVID-19 candidate vaccines, details [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.

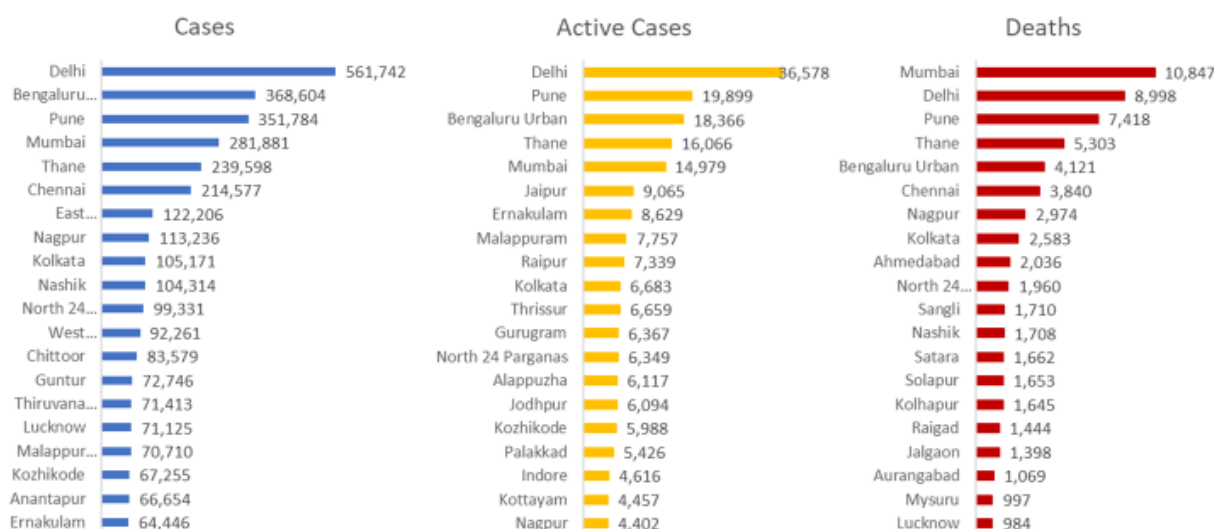
- **Coordination:** WCO continues to provide technical support to MoHFW through JMG (Joint Monitoring Group) at the national level and through task force/control rooms at the state and district level.
- **Vaccine Preparation:** On behalf of UNCT, WHO presented the vaccine preparation and support plan to the task force on vaccine conducted by NITI Ayog. WHO is also supporting the preparation of vaccine roll-out as well as developing software for capturing adverse events following vaccination.
 - WCO is providing strategic technical support in **Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh** for preparing for COVID-19 vaccination
- **Contact Tracing, Containment:** WCO providing supportive supervision to monitor contact tracing; identify containment zones and sharing regular feedback with government health officials on regular basis.
- **ILI Surveillance:** In **Uttar Pradesh**, to identify ILI/SARI symptoms, a total of 2,96,77,426 houses have been covered and 118,020 symptomatic identified with the support of WHO field teams
- **Risk Communication and Community Engagement:** WCO is working with IIPH, Gandhinagar and IIM, Ahmedabad in **Gujarat** on the state's Intra-Action Review (IAR). WHO is also working on creating films/videos on vaccine awareness and other related topics.
- **Infection Prevention and Control and Hospital Preparedness:** WCO supported the Antimicrobial resistance (AMR or AR) awareness week. WHO partnered with CSIR to launch a game on AMR.
- **Research and Development:** WCO is supporting 11 Unity Studies and 20 high-burden facilities on standardizing COVID and pregnancy care SCOPE Study.
- **Information and Planning:** WHO is supporting **Kerala, Telangana and Tamil Nadu** in preparation of database for health care workers for COVID-19 vaccination
- **Laboratory testing:** India tested 14,13,49,298 cumulative samples and 9,69,322 samples were tested on 30 November, reported by [ICMR](#).
 - Total Operational Laboratories reporting to ICMR include Government labs: 1176 and Private labs: 994
 - WCO continues to review testing strategy, number of samples tested and test positivity rate in states and share feedback on strengthening testing strategy.

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SUB-NATIONAL BURDEN OF COVID-19 ACROSS INDIA

Top 20 districts with COVID burden



*Delhi included for comparison Data Source: MOHFW & State's bulletins, as of 29/11/2020

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES THIS WEEK

1. MoHFW SOP on preventive measures in markets to contain spread of COVID-19 [\[LINK\]](#)
2. NITI Aayog released 'Mitigation and Management of COVID-19: Practices from India's States & UTs' [\(Link\)](#)
3. WHO Guidelines on physical activity and sedentary behaviour: [\[LINK\]](#)
4. WHO World Malaria Report 2020 [\[LINK\]](#)
5. WHO Evidence to recommendations: COVID-19 mitigation in the aviation sector [\[LINK\]](#)
6. WHO Joint Report FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) [\[LINK\]](#)

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