

Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Indian Immunologicals Limited to initiate production of drug substance for Covaxin ([Link](#))
- National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur has developed a Gargle RT-PCR Method for testing COVID-19 samples ([Link](#))
- Centre issues advisory to States/UTs to encourage work-from-home for nursing mothers ([Link](#))
- Family pension to be given to dependents of those who lost their lives due to COVID under Employees State Insurance Corporation ([Link](#))
- Union Minister of State, Development of North Eastern Region, requests all government employees 18 years of age to get vaccinated at the earliest ([Link](#))
- National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) asks States/UTs to upload data of children who have lost their parents to COVID-19, on online tracking portal “Bal Swaraj” ([Link](#))

WHO Situation Update

India

2,81,75,044 Confirmed Cases

3,31,895 Total Deaths

South East Asia Region

31,922,904 Confirmed Cases

408,423 Total Deaths

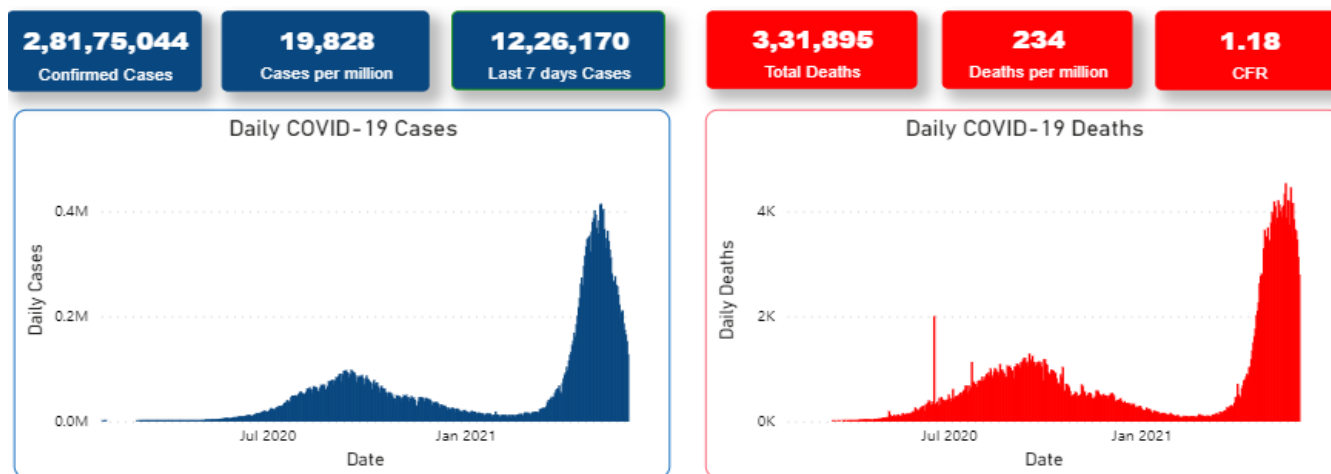
World

170,426,245 Confirmed Cases

3,548,628 Deaths

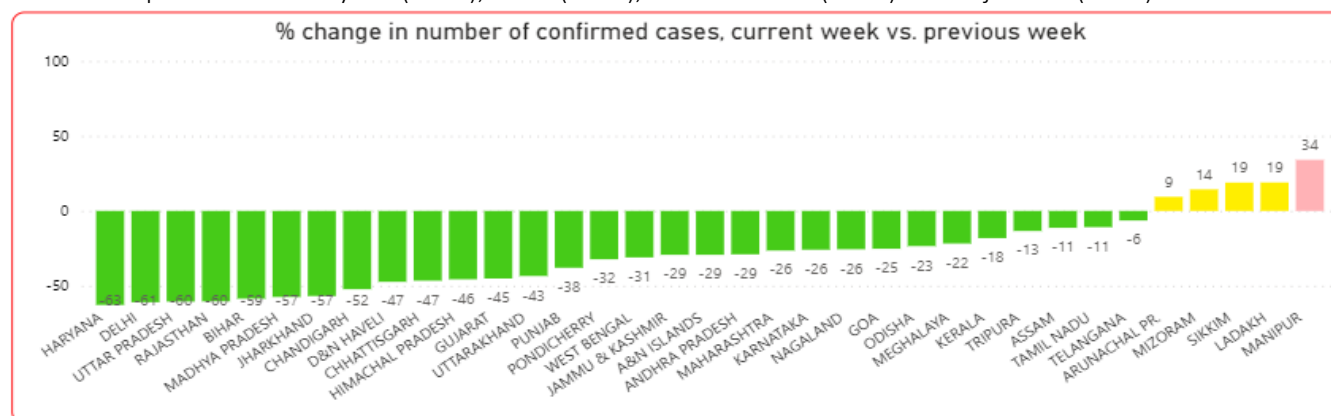
INDIA SITUATION

- There is a decline of 69% in daily cases during last 25 days after reporting the highest number of cases (4,14,188) on 7th May 2021.



COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES

- In the past week, as compared to previous week, 30 states/UTs have shown a decrease in cases. Higher decline has been reported from Haryana (-63%), Delhi (-61%), Uttar Pradesh (-60%) and Rajasthan (-60%).



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- In **Punjab**, District authorities have been directed to allow issue of oxygen cylinders to patients who require oxygen assistance after being discharged from the hospital
- In **Telangana**, Mucormycosis was declared a notifiable disease under epidemic act 1897 and all Government and private hospitals have been directed to report all suspected and confirmed cases on daily basis to the IDSP
- In **Andhra Pradesh**, instructions regarding prevention and management of COVID-19 - containing and controlling infection in peri-urban, rural, and tribal areas, have been issued by the Chief Secretary
- In **Kerala**, going forward, the state will adopt the education of children orphaned during COVID-19 and will support them financially
- In **Maharashtra**, State COVID taskforce and pediatric taskforce have jointly appealed to the state government to inoculate children younger than 5 years with the influenza vaccine

WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- COVAX facility, the global initiative to ensure COVID-19 vaccines are available worldwide to both higher-income and lower-income countries, issues statement on call to action to deliver 2 billion doses in 2021, detail [here](#)
- Director General, WHO and the President of the Republic of Costa Rica call once again on all WHO Member States to actively support the COVID-19 Technology Access Pool (C-TAP), detail [here](#)
- WHO supports people quitting tobacco to reduce their risk of severe COVID-19, details [here](#)
- WHO announces simple, easy-to-say labels for SARS-CoV-2 Variants of Interest and Concern by using letters of the Greek alphabet, details [here](#)
- Heads of International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Bank Group (WB), World Health Organization (WHO) and World Trade Organization (WTO) issued joint statement on US\$50 billion investment to generate US\$9 trillion in global economic returns by 2025 and boost manufacturing capacity, supply, trade flows and the equitable distribution of diagnostics, oxygen, treatments, medical supplies and vaccines, details [here](#)
- WHO validates Sinovac COVID-19 vaccine for emergency use & issues interim recommendations, details [here](#)

WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

Coordination

- WCO continues to participate in Joint Monitoring Groups meetings and 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**
- Participated in meetings regarding COVID-19 surge, third wave, response and preparation, vaccination; chaired by Chief Ministers, Health Ministers, Chief and/or Health Secretaries, MDs – NHM, etc in **Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Puducherry, and Uttar Pradesh**

COVID-19 vaccination

- WCO is supporting monitoring of vaccination sessions across the country and continues to provide surge support for training, microplanning and monitoring
- High level oversight during vaccination is provided by WHO teams at district and state levels
- Continues to support assessment of private hospitals in **Kerala** to enrol them as COVID-19 vaccination centres

Contact Tracing, Containment and Surveillance

- Supporting house to house survey for ILI/SARI in **UP, Haryana and Punjab**

Information and Planning

- Assisting **Himachal Pradesh** with death audits and analysis
- Supported development of guideline for prevention and management of Mucormycosis in **Karnataka**
- Supporting **Rajasthan** with building capacity of rural health centers for Rapid Antigen Testing

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- Facilitated sensitization and advocacy meeting of religious leaders regarding COVID-19 response in **Delhi**

IPC

- Supported IPC training at District COVID Hospital in **Ladakh**

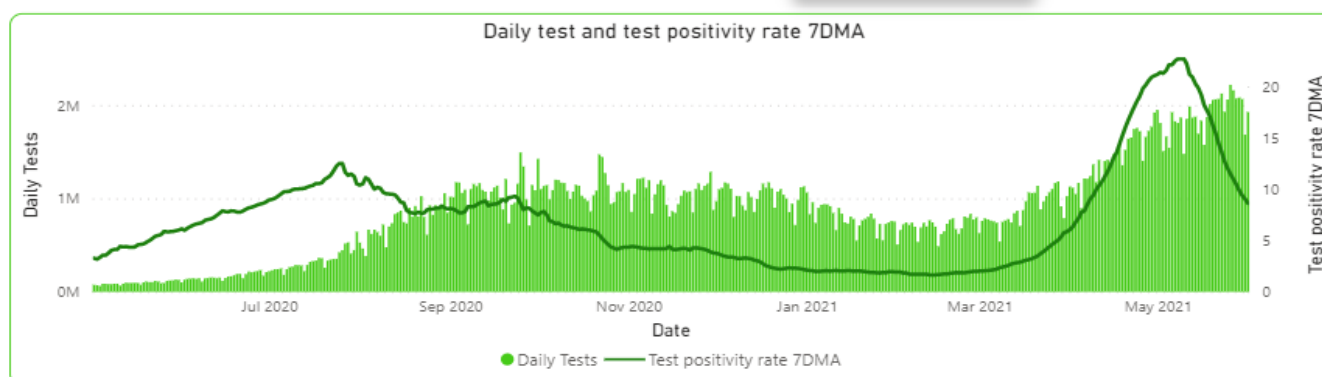
Essential Services

- Efforts to strengthen VPD surveillance and immunization are underway in **Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Gujarat, and Maharashtra**
- Supporting **Delhi, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Puducherry, and Telangana** in strengthening and streamlining AEFI surveillance

As of 1 June 2021, India has tested more than 346 million samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. India's current test positivity rate (7DMA) is 8.6%.

Testing - National Level

34,67,92,257
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 1 June 2021, 07:00 AM)

India	Beneficiaries vaccinated		
	1 st Dose	2 nd Dose	Total Doses
	17,12,00,166	4,48,46,472	21,60,46,638
	24,79,232 in last 24 Hours	3,00,826 in last 24 hours	27,80,058 in last 24 Hours

IMPORTANT GUIDELINES/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS THIS WEEK

- Technical note on delayed shipments for theChAdOx1-S (recombinant) vaccines: what are the implications for the administration of second doses?- Scientific brief [\[LINK\]](#),
- Critical preparedness, readiness and response actions for COVID-19: Interim guidelines [\[LINK\]](#)
- Operational guide for engaging communities in contact tracing [\[LINK\]](#)
- Near to Home COVID Vaccination Centres (NHCVC) for Elderly and Differently Abled Citizens [\[LINK\]](#)
- Clinical Guidance on Diagnosis & Management of Diabetes at COVID-19 Management facility [\[LINK\]](#)

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