

# Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

## Situation Update Report – 80

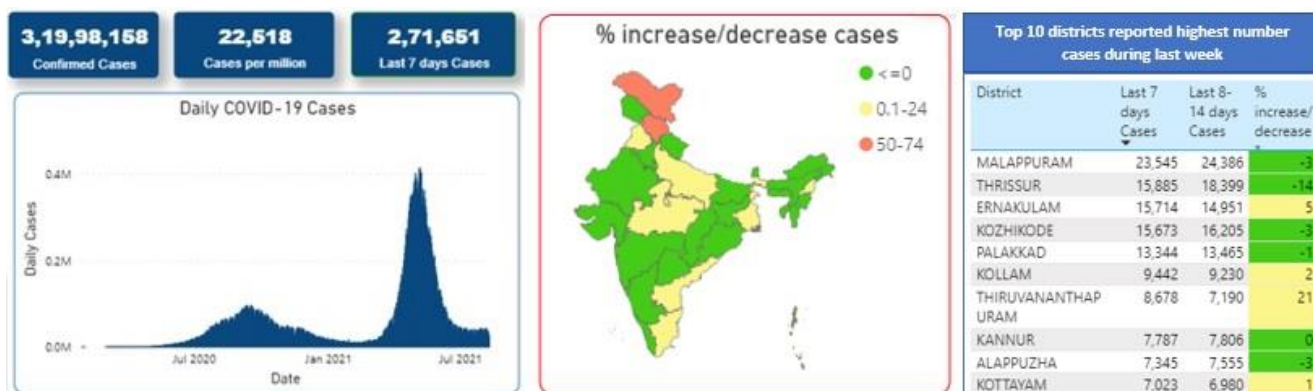
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### HIGHLIGHTS

- Foreign nationals are now eligible for vaccination in India ([Link](#))
- MoHFW organizes interactive workshop with radio stations in Southern States to promote awareness regarding COVID appropriate behavior and vaccination ([Link](#))
- Scientists from four BRICS countries to carry out genomic sequencing and mathematical modelling of the COVID-19 pandemic ([Link](#))
- Prime Minister asserts that India's fight against COVID-19 has received a strong impetus as vaccination coverage exceeds 50 crore mark ([Link](#))
- India achieves its highest ever recovery rate of 97.45% ([Link](#))

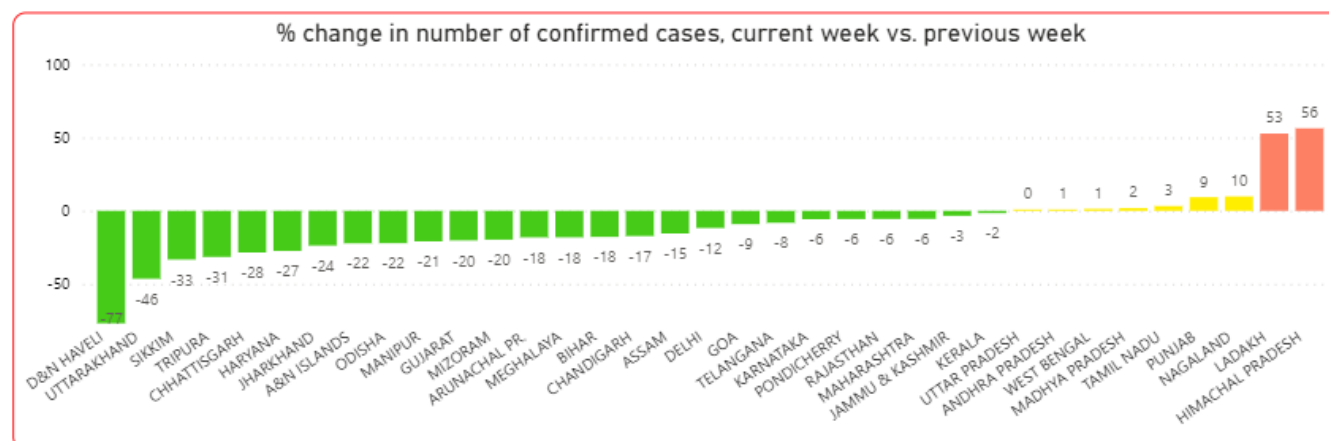
### INDIA SITUATION

- In India, highest number of cases in a day were 4,14,188; reported on 7 May 2021. For the last several weeks, daily cases are plateauing around 30-40,000. Cases per million is 22,518.



### COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES

In the past week (4-10 August), as compared to previous week (28 July – 3 August), eight states have shown an increase in cases while twenty-six states have shown a decline in cases. Higher decline has been reported from D&N Haveli (-77%), Uttarakhand (-45%), Sikkim (-33%) and Tripura (-31%).



- In **Assam**, inter-district travel has been disallowed; 5 districts are now in complete lockdown whereas partial lockdown has been imposed in 29 districts

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- In **Odisha**, order has been issued mandating all Government offices to function at full capacity
- In **Tamil Nadu**, negative RT-PCR test report has been made mandatory for all passengers coming to the State from Kerala

## WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- More than 20 million of the total number of vaccine doses that have been received in the Western Pacific Region to date were delivered by COVAX, which is co-led by the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI), Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, UNICEF and WHO, details [here](#)
- WHO has been made aware of correspondences being circulated by scammers (acting under the name of Capital Finance, Inc. London), falsely notifying recipients of such correspondences that they have been selected as a beneficiary/winner of a US\$1 million lottery compensation prize payment for losses and damages suffered as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, details [here](#)
- WHO issues interim statement on heterologous priming for COVID-19 vaccines. In general, for COVID-19 vaccines listed for emergency use by WHO with a 2-dose primary series schedule, WHO recommends that the same vaccine product should be used for both doses. If different COVID-19 vaccine products are inadvertently administered in the two doses, no additional doses of either vaccine are recommended, details [here](#)
- WHO, Facebook and Praekelt.Org provide critical mobile access to COVID-19 information for vulnerable communities, details [here](#)
- The World Health Organization (WHO) has announced the next phase in its Solidarity trial: Solidarity PLUS will enroll hospitalized patients to test three new drugs in hospitalized COVID-19 patients.
- WHO's Solidarity clinical trial enters a new phase with three new candidate drugs - artesunate, imatinib and infliximab – has selected by an independent expert panel for their potential in reducing the risk of death in hospitalized COVID-19 patients. , details [here](#)

## WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

### Coordination

- WCO has been monitoring the trends of cases and mitigation measures using relevant indicators and sharing the information with States/UTs.
- WCO continues 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 field offices participated in meetings on current response, third wave preparations, vaccination; chaired by Chief Ministers, Health Ministers, Chief and/or Health Secretaries, MDs – NHM, etc in **Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura, Puducherry, and Tamil Nadu**.

### COVID-19 vaccination

- High level oversight during vaccination is provided by WHO teams at district and state levels.
- WCO is supporting monitoring of vaccination sessions across the country and continues to provide surge support for training, microplanning and monitoring.
- WCO is supporting **Assam** in orientating them to guidelines on COVID-19 vaccination for pregnant women; and its roll-out.

### Contact Tracing, Containment and Surveillance

- Country office continues to provide technical support for COVID-19 containment activities in **Uttar Pradesh**.
- Supporting house to house survey for ILI/SARI in **Nagaland and Uttar Pradesh**.

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### Information and Planning

- Assisting **Arunachal Pradesh** in resolving discrepancies in data reported in the State COVID portal, COWIN portal, and the daily State bulletin.
- Supporting analysis on the availability of ICU beds in **Mizoram** and advocating for an increase in number of beds in Lunglei district.

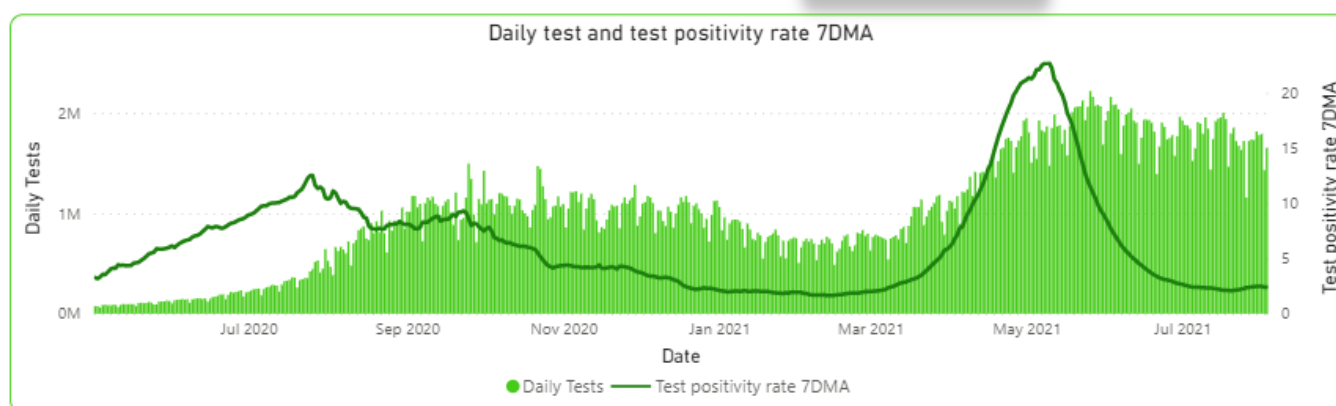
### Essential Services

- Strengthening VPD surveillance and immunization in **Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana**.
- Strengthening and streamlining AEFI surveillance in **Puducherry and Telangana**.
- Supporting **Telangana and Tripura** with fever and rash surveillance
- Assist with launch of PCV vaccine in **Andhra Pradesh and Telangana**

As of 10 August, India has tested more than 471 million samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. India's current test positivity rate (7DMA) is 2.4%.

### Testing - National Level


**46,02,50,164 \***  
Cumulative Tests



\* Exclusive of data reconciled by states on 2nd June, 2021 (Dashboard cumulative figure varies from the cumulative figure on ICMR website)

India continued to drive COVID-19 vaccinations among various age group with preconditions, details [here](#).

Cumulative Coverage Report of COVID-19 vaccination (as on 11 August 2021, 07:00 AM)

	Beneficiaries vaccinated		
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	Total Doses
	40,35,96,088	11,54,84,436	51,90,80,524
	30,50,668 in last 24 Hours	10,87,978 in last 24 hours	41,38,646 in last 24 Hours

## IMPORTANT GUIDELINES/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS THIS WEEK

- Digital technology and COVID-19 in the Western Pacific Region [\[LINK\]](#)
- Considerations for health governance: strengthening institutional capacity and connectedness through COVID-19 responses [\[LINK\]](#)
- Guidance for surveillance of SARS-CoV-2 variants: Interim guidance [\[LINK\]](#)

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## FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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