

# Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

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### HIGHLIGHTS

- Vice President asks DRDO scientists to intensify research to combat any pandemic threat in the future ([Link](#))
- Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare and Chemicals & Fertilizers, releases first commercial batch of COVAXIN manufactured in Ankleshwar, Gujarat ([Link](#))
- India administered highest number of doses of COVID-19 vaccine (more than 13 million) in a day ([Link](#))
- Union Home Secretary reviewed steps taken by State Governments of Kerala and Maharashtra for impeding the spread of COVID-19 ([Link](#))
- Minister of State for AYUSH asserts that AYUSH medicines have proved effective in dealing with post COVID issues ([Link](#))

#### WHO Situation Update

##### India

**32,768,880 Confirmed Cases**  
**438,560 Total Deaths**

##### South East Asia Region

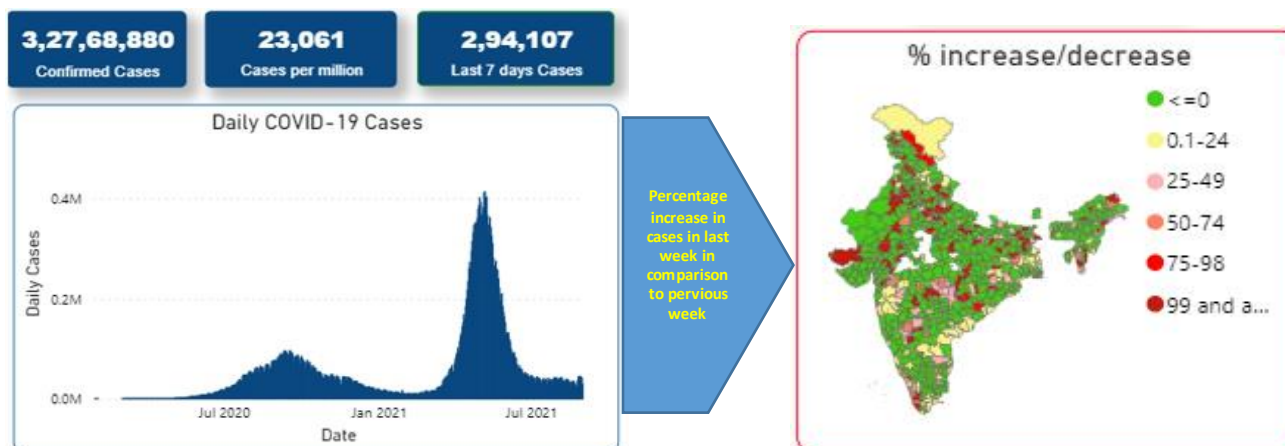
**41,191,095 Confirmed Cases**  
**643,250 Total Deaths**

##### World

**216,867,420 Confirmed Cases**  
**4,507,837 Deaths**

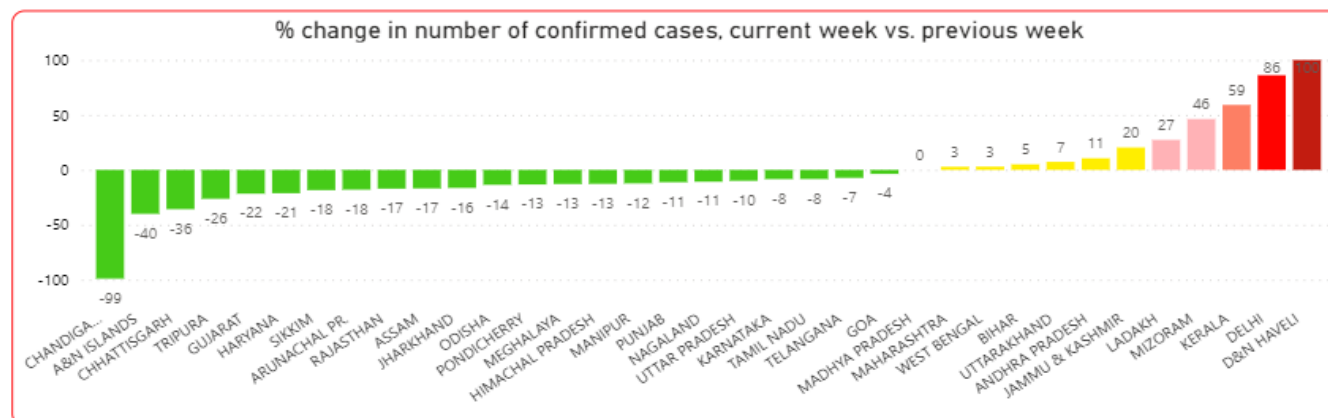
### INDIA SITUATION

- In India, in the past 24 hours, 30,941 confirmed cases have been reported; highest number of cases in a day were 4,14,188; reported on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021. For the last several weeks, daily cases have plateaued around 25-40,000. Cases per million is 23,061.



### COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES

- In the past week (25-31 August), as compared to previous week (18-24 August), 11 states have shown an increase in cases while 23 states have shown a decline in cases. Higher decline has been reported from Chandigarh (-99%), A&N Islands (-40%), Chhattisgarh (-36%) and Tripura (-26%).



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- In **Delhi**, an action plan is being developed to respond to COVID-19 cases amongst children
- In **Uttarakhand**, six oxygen generation plants have been inaugurated and nine new oxygen plants will be established with the help of GoI in the near future
- In **Uttar Pradesh**, COVID-19 vaccine for kids will likely be introduced in the month of September

## WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- WHO has developed the “Social and Behavioural Insights COVID-19 Data Collection Tool for Africa”. The tool can be used by WHO Country Offices, NGOs, universities or other groups interested in capturing quantitative and qualitative social and behavioural data, details [here](#)
- The heads of the International Monetary Fund, World Bank Group, WHO and World Trade Organization - met with the leaders of the African Vaccine Acquisition Trust (AVAT), Africa CDC, Gavi and UNICEF to tackle obstacles to rapidly scale-up vaccines in low- and lower middle-income countries, particularly in Africa, details [here](#)
- WHO published a guidance document for countries and implementing partners on the technical requirements for issuing digital certificates for vaccination against COVID-19. The full guidance can be found [here](#). The guidance is part of a series of planned documents on digitalization of COVID-19 certificates, details [here](#)
- WHO releases new compendium of innovative health technologies for COVID-19 and other priority diseases, details [here](#)

## WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

### Coordination

- 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**
- WCO officials continue to participate in meetings on current response, third wave preparations, vaccination; chaired by Chief Ministers, Health Ministers, Chief and/or Health Secretaries, MDs – NHM, etc of their respective States
- State Unit has provided technical support in causality assessment meeting in **Goa**

### COVID-19 vaccination

- WCO is supporting monitoring of vaccination sessions across the country and continues to provide surge support for training, microplanning and monitoring
- Supporting COVID-19 vaccination Maha Abhiyaan in **Madhya Pradesh**

### Contact Tracing, Containment and Surveillance

- Country office continues to provide technical support for COVID-19 containment activities in **Uttar Pradesh**; also provided supportive supervision to monitor contact tracing; identify containment zones and sharing regular feedback with government health officials on regular basis

### Information and Planning

- Supported training of medical officers on routine immunization in **Telangana**
- Supporting training of District Surveillance Officers regarding COVID-19 response in **Uttar Pradesh**

### RCCE

- Supporting sensitization of religious leaders regarding COVID-19 vaccination in **Delhi**

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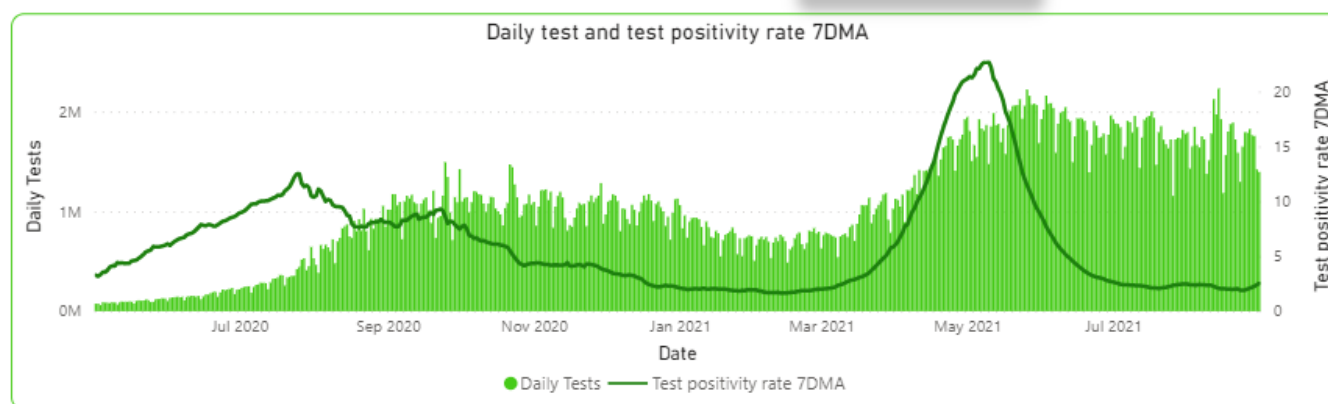
### Essential Services

- Efforts to strengthen VPD surveillance and immunization are underway in **Delhi, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Lakshadweep, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana**
- Supporting **Delhi, Karnataka, and Telangana** in strengthening and streamlining AEFI surveillance
- Continuing to support Polio vaccination of international travelers from Afghanistan in **Delhi**

As of 31 August, India has tested more than 508 million samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. India's current test positivity rate (7DMA) is 2.5%.

### Testing - National Level


**50,80,72,881 \***  
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 31 August 2021, 07:00 AM)

 VACCINATION	Beneficiaries vaccinated		
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	Total Doses
	48,85,06,288	14,58,75,070	63,43,81,358
	22,07,010 in last 24 Hours	9,07,686 in last 24 hours	31,14,696 in last 24 Hours

## IMPORTANT GUIDELINES/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

- Guidelines for domestic travel (flight/train/ship/ bus inter-state travel), MoHFW ([LINK](#))
- FAQs on COVID-19 Vaccines and Vaccination Program, MoHFW ([LINK](#))

CLICK HERE to access latest publications from WHO

## FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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