

Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Situation Update Report – 89

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Union Health Minister reviews progress of COVID-19 vaccination with 19 States (<u>Link</u>)
- Prime Minister lauds everyone involved in vaccination drive (Link)
- Prime Minister dedicates 35 PSA Oxygen Plants across 35 States/ UTs to the nation (Link)
- Quantitative restriction on export of syringes put in place (<u>Link</u>)
- 'AllMS in every State' and 'Medical College in every District' aim of Government, asserts Prime Minister (Link)

WHO Situation Update

India

33,985,920 Confirmed Cases 450,963 Total Deaths

South East Asia Region 43,416,050 Confirmed Cases 682,244 Total Deaths

World

237,655,302 Confirmed Cases 4,846,981 Deaths

INDIA SITUATION

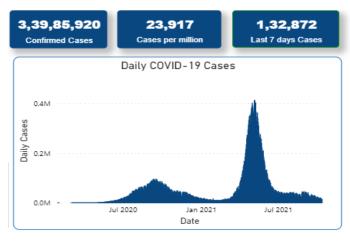
• Overall the coronavirus situation is stabilizing; there has been steady decline in daily cases with the latest being of 14,313 confirmed cases (on 12 Oct.). As of 12 October 2021, India reported a total of 33,985,920 confirmed cases and 450,963 deaths.

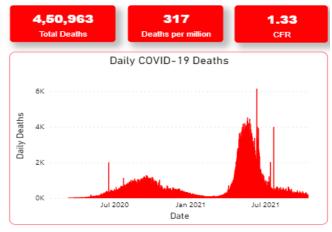
In comparison to previous week (29 Sept. – 5 Oct.), less than 30% of districts have shown an increase in new cases during last week (6-12 Oct.). Additionally, amongst the top ten districts reporting highest number of cases during last week nine have shown decrease in number of cases. District Gr. Mumbai has shown a rise in cases last week

District	Last 7 days Cases	Last 8- 14 days Cases	% increase/ decrease
ERNAKULAM	10,399	11,356	-8
THIRUVANANTHAP URAM	9,244	10,078	-8
THRISSUR	8,433	10,761	-22
KOZHIKODE	6,545	8,255	-21
KOTTAYAM	5,194	6,291	-17
MALAPPURAM	5,040	6,631	-24
KOLLAM	5,018	6,799	-26
AIZAWAL WEST	4,782	5,749	-17
PALAKKAD	4,305	5,369	-20
GR. MUMBAI	4,248	3,152	35

COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES

In the past week (6-12 Oct.), as compared to previous week (29 Sept. – 5 Oct.), nine states have shown an increase in cases while twenty-five states have shown a decline in cases. Higher decline has been reported from Arunachal Pradesh (-52%), Sikkim (-43%), Meghalaya (-35%) and Karnataka (-29%). National level trend of new cases & deaths is given below:





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- In Jammu & Kashmir, cinema halls and multiplexes have been allowed to function with 25% capacity.
- In **Haryana**, districts have been directed to accelerate the pace of vaccination and administer first dose to all eligible beneficiaries.
- In **Maharashtra**, 'Kavach Kundal Initiative' for COVID-19 vaccination has been announced wherein the state is targeting administration of 1.5 million doses per day.

WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- WHO, UN set out steps to meet world COVID vaccination targets; to this effect, WHO has launched the <u>Strategy to Achieve Global Covid-19 Vaccination by mid-2022</u> to help bring an end to the pandemic. The new strategy outlines a plan for achieving WHO's targets to vaccinate 40% of the population of every country by the end of this year and 70% by mid-2022, details <u>here</u>
- Health and Education Ministers, heads of partner agencies commit to health promoting schools for all in WHO
 South-East Asia Region. The Health Promoting School approach aims at advancing health, nutrition, mental
 health and the overall wellbeing of school-age children and adolescents, teachers and other staff members,
 details here
- WHO's 10 calls for climate action to assure sustained recovery from COVID-19 in the Special Report on Climate Change and Health. It spells out the global health community's prescription for climate action based on a growing body of research that establishes the many and inseparable links between climate and health, details here

WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

Coordination

- WCO is monitoring the COVID 19 epidemiological trends using a warning level dashboard with predefined indicators and thresholds and sharing the information with NCDC and states/UTs health authorities.
- 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 of various States 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
- Facilitated routine immunization deep dive exercise in 8 selected districts of **Madhya Pradesh**; data analysis is in process.

COVID-19 vaccination

- Technical 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.

Surveillance, Contact Tracing and Containment

• 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.

Training and Operations Research

- Supported development of SOPs for puja mandaps in Assam where only vaccinated people will be allowed to attend public gathering during offerings.
- Supported training of staff of 15 mobile vaccination vans which have been launched in Manipur



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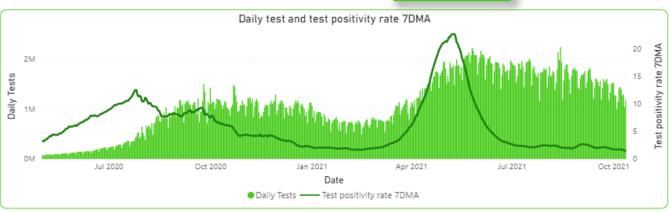
Support in ensuring delivery of Essential Health Services

- Continues to strengthen VPD surveillance and immunization in **Delhi**
- Supporting urban area microplanning for essential immunization in high risk areas in Delhi
- Supporting **Delhi** for Sub National Immunization Days

As of 12 October 2021, India has tested more than 569 million samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. India's current test positivity rate (7DMA) is 1.5%.

Testing - National Level





India continued to drive COVID-19 vaccinations among various age group with preconditions, details here.

Cumulative Coverage Report of COVID-19 vaccination (as on 12 October 2021, 07:00 AM)

	Beneficiaries vaccinated			
VACCINATION	1 st Dose	2 nd Dose	Total Doses	
	68,65,80,570	27,23,97,479	95,89,78,049	
	33,63,303 in last 24 Hours	32,22,789 in last 24 hours	65,86,092 in last 24 Hours	

IMPORTANT GUIDELINES/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

- Antigen-detection in the diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection: Interim guidance (LINK)
- WHO COVID-19 Excess Mortality Estimation Methodology (<u>LINK</u>)
- WHO SPRP 2021 Mid-term Report WHO Strategic Action Against COVID-19 (LINK)
- Landscape of observational studies on the effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccination (LINK)
- COVID-19 vaccine tracker and landscape (LINK)
- Video on the use of Pulse Oximeter-MoHFW (LINK)

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