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### HIGHLIGHTS

- Centre reviews commissioning, installation, and functional status of oxygen supply equipment supplied to the States/UTs ([Link](#))
- Centre reviews public health response to COVID-19 in light of Omicron; and progress of vaccination with States/UT ([Link](#))
- NITI Aayog releases report on country-level assessment of emergency and injury care at secondary, tertiary level health facilities and district hospitals in India ([Link](#))

### INDIA SITUATION

#### WHO Situation Update

##### India

**34,703,644 Confirmed Cases**

**475,888 Total Deaths**

##### South East Asia Region

**44,748,558 Confirmed Cases**

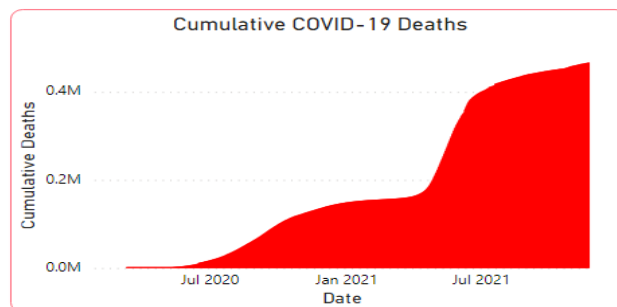
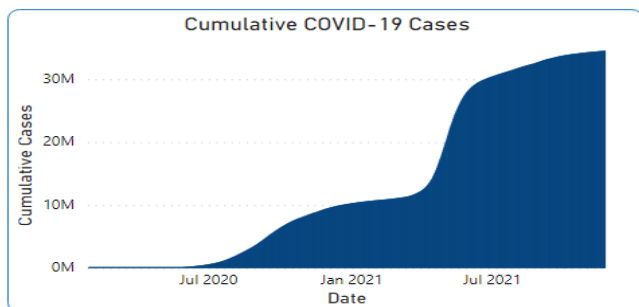
**714,546 Total Deaths**

##### World

**270,031,622 Confirmed Cases**

**5,310,502 Deaths**

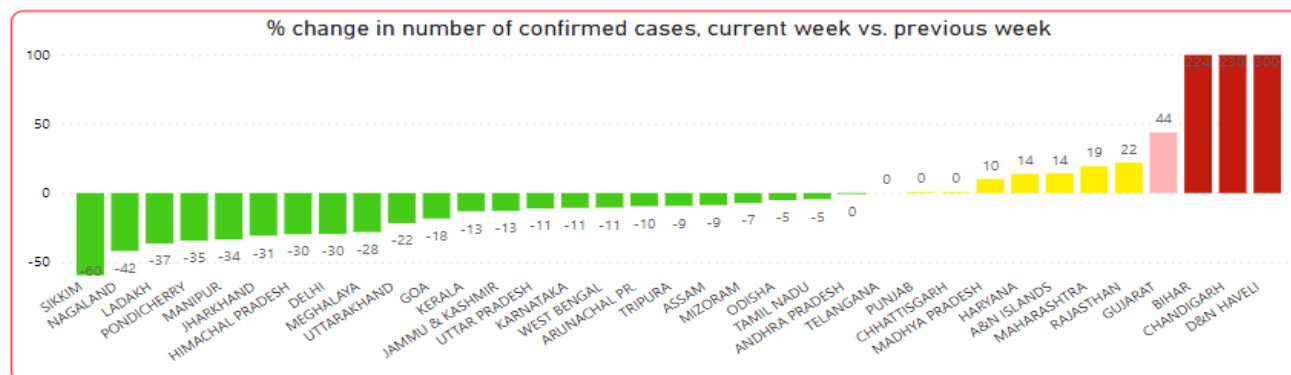
- As of 14 December 2021, India reported a total of 34, 703,644 confirmed cases. In the past 24 hours, 5,784 confirmed cases have been reported, this is the lowest single day cases after second wave.



- The new COVID-19 cases of Omicron variant have been reported from the State of Rajasthan, Delhi, Chandigarh, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh & Kerala.

### COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES

- Maharashtra is leading with highest number of cases (more than six million); Kerala has reported more than five million cases, followed by Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh (more than two million cases each). States with more than one million cases are Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Delhi, Odisha and Chhattisgarh.
- Top five states, namely, Maharashtra, Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Andhra Pradesh contribute 57% of total cases. During last seven days 55,261 cases reported in country with Kerala reporting highest number of cases (27,841, >50% of total cases) followed by Maharashtra (5,156) and Tamil Nadu (4,811)
- In the past week (8-14 December), as compared to previous week (1-7 December), nine states have shown an increase in cases while 22 states have shown a decline in cases. Higher decline has been reported from Sikkim (-60%), Nagaland (-42%), Ladakh (-37%) and Pondicherry (-35%).



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### WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- WHO, UNICEF and International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) establishes global support mechanism, the Collective Service, for enabling countries to implement risk communication and community engagement (RCCE) policies, research and programmes in response to COVID-19 and other emergencies, details [here](#)
- WHO report shows that COVID-19 pandemic's disruption to health services has seen an increase in tuberculosis deaths in Africa, the first such rise in more than a decade, while the decline in new cases slowed down, details [here](#)

### WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

#### Coordination

- WHO field staff continue to participate in state and district task force meetings on current response, preparations for any possible future surges, vaccination; chaired by Chief Ministers, Health Ministers, Health Secretaries and MDs- NHM.
- WHO continue 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 is sharing technical support and sharing technical guidance regarding new Omicron variant
- Supporting establishment of Auxiliary Health Facility in **Maharashtra**

#### 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 continue to provide surge support for training, microplanning, and monitoring.
- Support to "Har Ghar Dastak Abhiyan" for COVID-19 vaccination in **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Puducherry, Bihar, Haryana, Punjab, Uttarakhand, and Uttar Pradesh**
- Supporting causality assessment of COVID-19 AEFI cases in **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana**

#### Surveillance, Contact Tracing and Containment

- WHO Country office provided technical support and supportive supervision to monitor contact tracing; identify containment zones for COVID-19 containment activities in **Uttar Pradesh**.
- Assisted a house-to-house survey for ILI/SARI in **Uttar Pradesh**.

#### Capacity building

- Continuing to support training of medical officers on Routine Immunization and essential immunization services in **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, and Telangana**.
- Supported capacity building of IGI Airport surveillance staff and concerned officials in **Delhi** in view of the Omicron variant.

#### Support in ensuring delivery of Essential Health Services

- Providing technical support to strengthen VPD surveillance and immunization in **Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Haryana, and Jammu & Kashmir**
- Supporting preparations of upcoming National Immunization Day in **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, and Puducherry**
- Strengthening and streamlining AEFI surveillance in **Andhra Pradesh and Telangana**
- Roll out of ZyCoV D vaccine in **Punjab and Maharashtra**.
- Supporting upcoming JE vaccination campaign in **Maharashtra**

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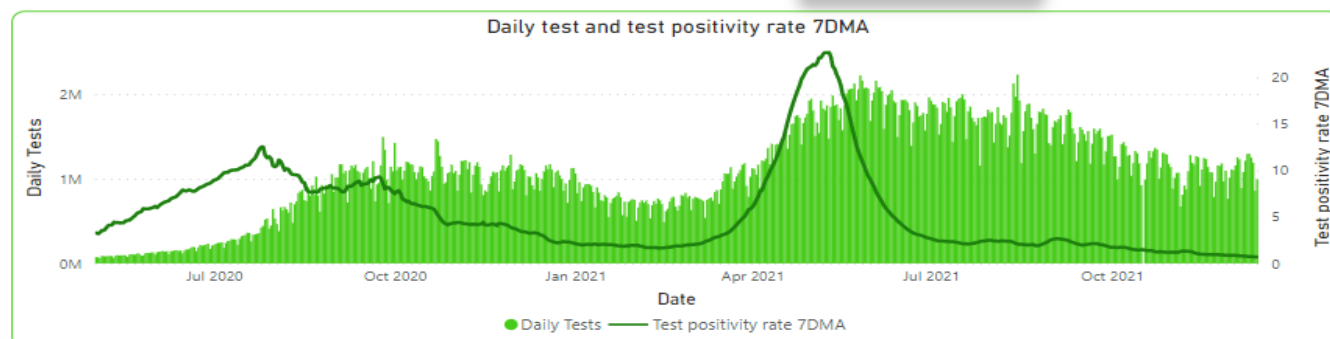
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- Facilitated state level pulse training on polio campaign in **Chhattisgarh and Gujarat**.
- Supported launch of **Teeka Maha Abhiyaan** in Jharkhand

As of 14 December 2021, India has tested more than 638 million samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. India's current test positivity rate (7DMA-8-14 December) is 0.69%.


### Testing - National Level

**63,84,18,713 \***  
Cumulative Tests

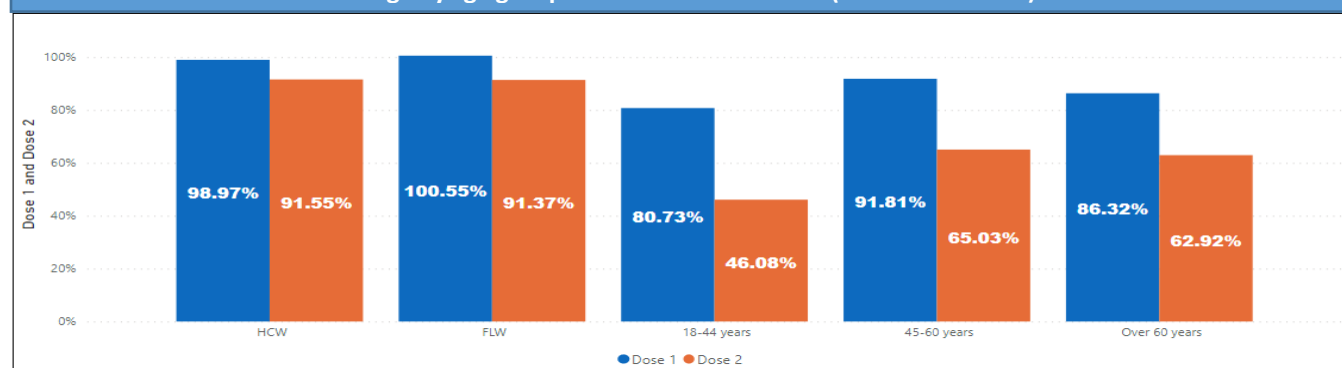


India continued to drive COVID-19 vaccinations among various age group with preconditions, details [here](#).

Cumulative Coverage Report of COVID-19 vaccination (as on 14 December 2021, 07:00 AM)

	Beneficiaries vaccinated		
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	Total Doses
	81,74,54,502	52,13,58,075	1,33,88,12,577
	18,78,760 in last 24 Hours	48,19,841 in last 24 hours	66,98,601 in last 24 Hours

### Vaccination coverage by age group: Total number of doses (Dose-1 & Dose-2) administered



## IMPORTANT GUIDELINES/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

- Interim recommendations for the use of the Janssen Ad26.COV2.S (COVID-19) vaccine ([LINK](#)); Annexes to the interim recommendations ([LINK](#))
- Enhancing Readiness for Omicron (B.1.1.529): Technical Brief and Priority Actions for Member States ([LINK](#))

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