

# Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

## Situation Update Report – 99

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### HIGHLIGHTS

- Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare inaugurates National Oxygen Stewardship Program ([Link](#))
- India's Cumulative COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage exceeds 138.96 Cr ([Link](#))
- Vice President inaugurates the National Parliamentary Conference on Tuberculosis among Women ([Link](#))

### INDIA SITUATION

#### WHO Situation Update

##### India

**34,752,164 Confirmed Cases**

**478,007 Total Deaths**

##### South East Asia Region

**44,842,271 Confirmed Cases**

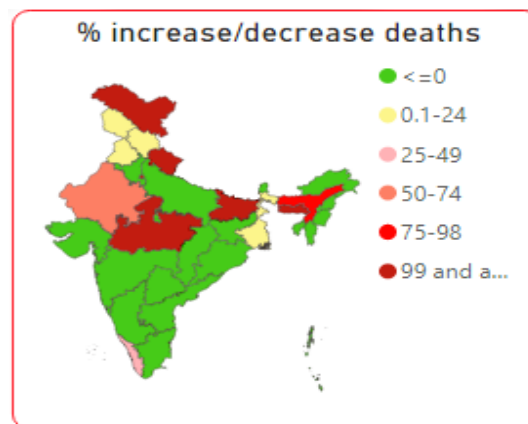
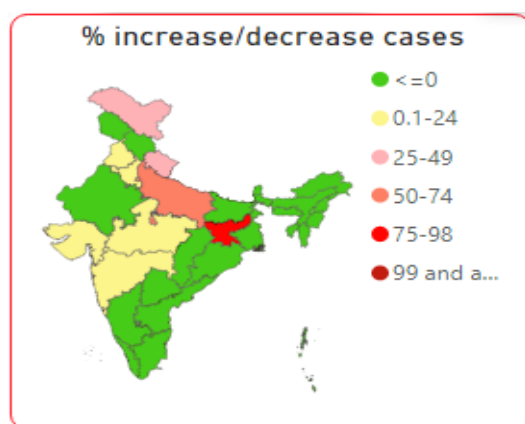
**717,483 Total Deaths**

##### World

**274,628,461 Confirmed Cases**

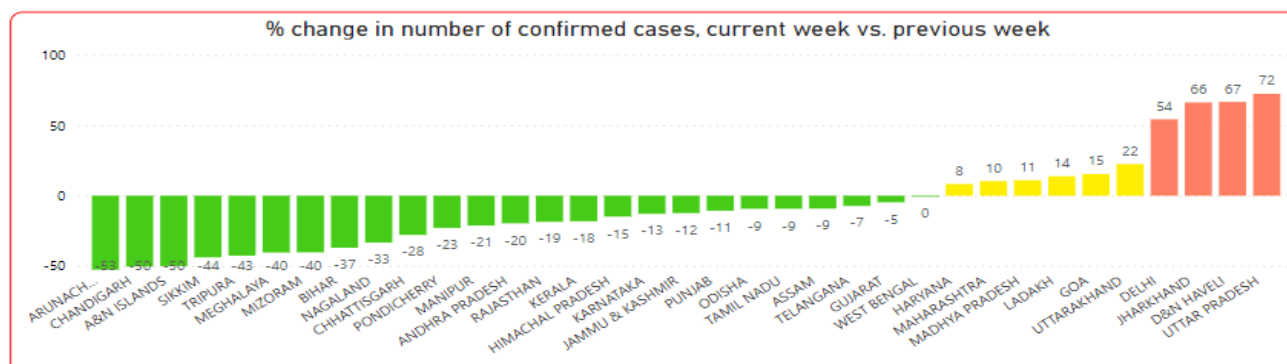
**5,358,978 Deaths**

- As of 21 December 2021, India reported a total of 34,752,164 confirmed cases. In the past 24 hours, 5,327 confirmed cases have been reported, this is the lowest single day cases after second wave. Currently cases per million is 24,457 (7DMA).
- Percentage increase/ decrease in cases and deaths during last 7 days are depicted in the map below -



### COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES

- Top five states, namely, Maharashtra, Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Andhra Pradesh are contributing 57% of total cases. During last seven days 48,520 cases reported in country with Kerala reporting highest number of cases (22,780, 47% of total cases) followed by Maharashtra (5,688) and Tamil Nadu (4,365).
- As on 22 December, a total of 213 cases of Omicron variant have been reported from the states of Delhi, Maharashtra, Telangana, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Kerala, Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir, Odisha, Uttara Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Chandigarh, Ladakh, Tamil Nadu & West Bengal.
- In the past week (15-21 December), as compared to previous week (8-14 December), ten states have shown an increase in cases while 24 states have shown a decline in cases. Higher decline has been reported from Arunachal Pradesh (-53%), Chandigarh (-50%), A&N Islands (-50%) and Sikkim (-44%).



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### WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- WHO in collaboration with GISAID organized training workshops for laboratory experts to strengthen the genomic surveillance, details [here](#)
- WHO and Government of Belgium signed a new €8 million multiyear contribution agreement for the period 2021-2025, to support increasing global equitable access to health products and health technologies globally, details [here](#)
- WHO issued an emergency use listing (EUL) for NVX-CoV2373, expanding the basket of WHO-validated vaccines against the SARS-CoV-2 virus. The vaccine, named Covovax™, is produced by the Serum Institute of India under licence from Novavax and is part of the COVAX facility portfolio, details [here](#)
- WHO has also issued an emergency use listing (EUL) for Nuvaxovid™, 10<sup>th</sup> COVID-19 vaccine, following its assessment and approval by the European Medicines Agency (EMA), details [here](#)

### WHO COUNTRY UPDATE

#### Coordination

- WHO field staff participated 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**.
- WHO shared technical guidance on new Omicron variant

#### COVID-19 vaccination

- WHO supported monitoring of vaccination sessions across the country and continue to provide surge support for training, microplanning and monitoring
- “Har Ghar Dastak Abhiyan” for COVID-19 vaccination supported in **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Puducherry, Bihar, and Uttarakhand**
- COVID19 vaccination Maha Abhiyaan supported in **Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, and Uttarakhand**,
- Causality assessment of COVID-19 AEFI cases supported in **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana**

#### Capacity building

- Whole genomic surveillance analysis (WGS) of SARS-CoV2 virus in **Bihar**.
- IPM lab review in Hyderabad for Measles and Polio environmental surveillance quality and efficacy; and review of Fever hospital and Osmania Medical college labs for DPT and MR surveillance feasibility in **Telangana**.

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

- National Immunization Day supported in **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Puducherry, Haryana, Chhattisgarh, and Maharashtra**.
- Strengthening and streamlining AEFI surveillance in **Andhra Pradesh and Telangana** in
- ZyCoV D vaccine roll out in **Bihar, Punjab, Tamil Nadu**
- Supported **Maharashtra** with upcoming JE vaccination campaign
- Facilitated state level pulse training on polio campaign in **Madhya Pradesh**.

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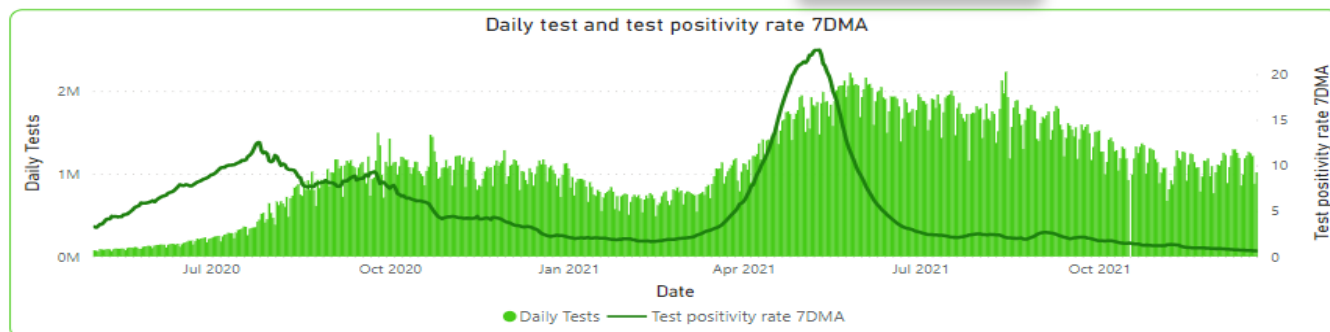
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As of 21 December 2021, India has tested more than 646 million samples. Tests include both, RTPCR and Rapid Antigen. India's current test positivity rate (7DMA: 15-21 December) is 0.61%.


### Testing - National Level

**64,64,28,052 \***  
Cumulative Tests

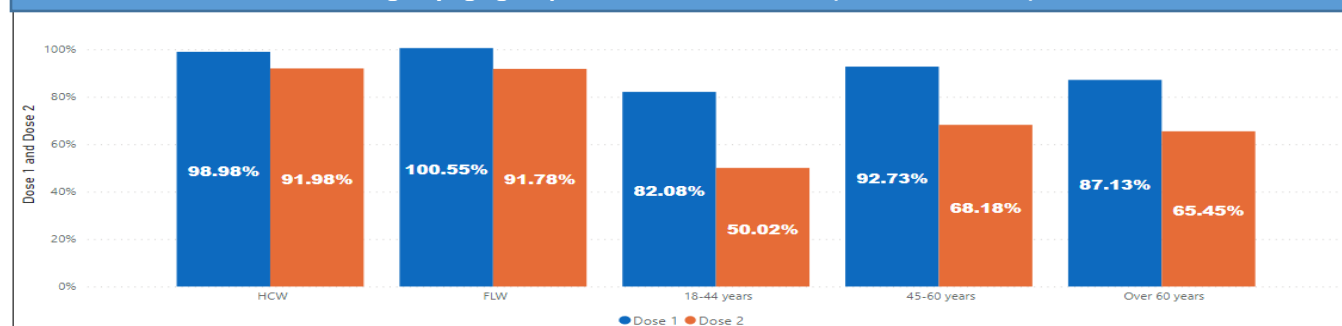


India continued to drive COVID-19 vaccinations among various age group with preconditions, details [here](#).

Cumulative Coverage Report of COVID-19 vaccination (as on 21 December 2021, 07:00 AM)

 VACCINATION	Beneficiaries vaccinated		
	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	Total Doses
	82,85,19,766	55,49,58,415	1,38,34,78,181
	14,62,502 in last 24 Hours	49,94,409 in last 24 hours	64,56,911 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 heterologous COVID-19 vaccine schedules ([LINK](#))
- Impact of COVID-19 on human resources for health and policy response: the case of Plurinational State of Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru ([LINK](#))
- Infection prevention and control (IPC) in health-care facilities in the event of a surge or resurgence in cases of COVID-19 ([LINK](#))
- Recommendations for use of the Novavax NVX-CoV2373 vaccine against COVID-19 ([LINK](#)); Annexes ([LINK](#))

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