



## SITUATION REPORT 4: COVID 19 IN INDIA

21<sup>st</sup> March 2020

### A. GLOBAL SCENARIO

As on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020:

**Globally:** 234 073 confirmed (24 247 new); 9840 deaths (1061 new)

**Western Pacific Region:** 93 349 confirmed (1016 new); 3405 deaths (28 new)

**European Region:** 104 591 confirmed (17 506 new); 4899 deaths (816 new);

**South-East Asia Region-** 6 918 confirmed (261 new) 31 deaths (8 new)

**East Mediterranean Region-** 20 759 confirmed (1254) 1312 Deaths (151 new)

**Region of the Americas-** 13 271 confirmed (4104 new) 178 deaths (57 new)

**Africa Region-** 473 confirmed (106 new) 8 deaths (1 new)

**WHO RISK ASSESSMENT:** Global Level: Very High

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:59 CET 19 March 2020

### B. CURRENT SITUATION IN INDIA - As of 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020 at 9:30 am

India: 231 including 39 foreign tourists

State wise breakup of cases in India:

Name of State / UT	Total Confirmed cases (Indian National)	Total Confirmed cases ( Foreign National )	Cured/ Discharged/Migrated	Death
Andhra Pradesh	3	0	0	0
Chhattisgarh	1	0	0	0
Delhi	25	1	5	1
Gujarat	7	0	0	0
Haryana	3	14	0	0
Himachal Pradesh	2	0	0	0
Karnataka	15	0	1	1
Kerala	33	7	3	0
Madhya Pradesh	4	0	0	0
Maharashtra	49	3	0	1
Odisha	2	0	0	0
Puducherry	1	0	0	0
Punjab	2	0	0	1
Rajasthan	15	2	3	0
Tamil Nadu	3	0	1	0
Telangana	8	11	1	0
Chandigarh	1	0	0	0
Jammu and Kashmir	4	0	0	0
Ladakh	13	0	0	0
Uttar Pradesh	23	1	9	0
Uttarakhand	3	0	0	0
West Bengal	2	0	0	0
<b>Total number of confirmed cases in India</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4</b>

Source: <https://www.mohfw.gov.in>



## D. HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE TO THE DISEASE

### Government Response:

- Prime Minister Modi addressed the nation on the eve of 19th March and urged people to stay indoors and called for 'janata curfew on 22nd of March from 7am to 9 pm.
- PM assured the nation that the supply of essential services will not be hampered while the country fights the disease. He further urged employers to not deduct salaries of the employees.
- The government has set up a constitute COVID-19 Economic Response Task Force under Finance Minister. The task force will remain in regular touch with all stakeholders, take their feedback and make decisions accordingly.
- The Delhi Health Department said new cases in state included two people from West Bengal, who had returned from Italy. They are now in quarantine at the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) Chhawala facility.
- Ministry of Health and family welfare along with ICMRC has issued guidelines on dead body management to avoid disbursal of the virus.
- NDMA invited civil society organization together on 18th March for a non-medical and non-pharmaceutical interventions to fight covid-19.
- ICMR has been conducting community surveillance by lifting random samples from intensive care unit (ICU) patients suffering from severe acute respiratory infections (SARI), including severe pneumonia. These samples are taken from people with no travel history or contact with a positive patient.
- Punjab government has shut down all public transport with effect from 18<sup>th</sup> March after the state reported its first death.
- The Kerala government on Thursday announced a package of Rs 20,000 crore to tide over the coronavirus crisis. The state is second-worst hit by the outbreak with 28 Covid-19 positive case.

### NGO / Civil Society Response

- Districts IAGs in Kerala are working closely in association with disaster management authorities at state and district level. IAGs are coordinating with the volunteers in different districts to keep a check at the cases. IAG Calicut is also providing ambulance service apart from 108 ambulance services available in the state.
- IAG Kerala is also planning to develop a **Coronavirus Management App** to reduce the burden of call centres in the state. It will be developed in 4 to 5 days.
- IAG West Bengal members across the state (23 districts) conducting general awareness on COVID - 19 (household level). More than 110 NGOs and CBOs are now active in this process. They are creating awareness at their respective working areas.
- IAG Malapuram mobilised about 35 volunteers specialized in trauma care as supportive human resource support for district health department.
- IAG Kasargod district is working on creating awareness among people through demonstration at Managad bus stand in Kasargod district, by methods of hand washing and providing adequate water, soap and hand liquid.
- IAG- West Bengal (WB) with active support of Unicef India have organized state level on the "Corona Virus Prevention, updates, Risk Communication and FAQs "on 13th March at Unicef office, Kolkata.
- State IAG West Bengal reported that adequate hand wash practices are being adopted at organization level and also carried out to the community level as awareness measures. Also doing the same through social networking platforms.
- IAG –WB is planning further District and Regional Level Orientation of Members (based on the situation against COVID 19) on Hand Wash and Preparedness.



- IAG Thrissur had a meeting with District Collector on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and has taken decision to impart help from IAG members for locally producing hand sanitisers in discussion with drugs and narcotics department completely free of cost and increasing the availability of cloth mask reusable, to start washing facilities in public places etc.
- IAG Ernakulam has coordinated to facilitate volunteers at Ernakulam North railway Station and Vyttila Hub along with the police department for supplying masks and hand sanitizers.
- IAG West Bengal updated that members across the state (23 districts) conducted general awareness on COVID - 19 (household level). More than 110 NGOs and CBOs are now active in this process. They are creating awareness at their respective working areas.
- IAG Wayanad reported that IEC materials are being prepared in German, French and Spanish and also in ethnic language. More than 10000 masks are being prepared with the help of volunteers.
- There is a Gift box campaign that is distributing reading books to people who are in quarantine. 150 books distributed by IAG to Gift a Book campaign to quarantine persons. Break the Chain – hand wash campaign is going on in 260 villages.
- 20000 soaps distributed with help of doctors for you organisation.
- Bihar –IAG organised a Skype Call on 19th March 2020 from 3PM to 5 PM to create awareness to fight against COVID 19.
- IAG Maharashtra - Government of Maharashtra had Implemented section 144 for crowd management i.e. mass gathering. Parks and public places were shut down to reduce public gathering. There is no active plans to manage people in slums in terms of hygiene to fight COVID 19.
- IAG AP and IAG Telengana – have been monitoring the situation. Andhra Pradesh has one active case and Telengana has three -among this, one is cured. Need more methods to share awareness as public gathering (more than eight) is not allowed. Schools, parks, public places were shut down till March 31.
- In Mizoram, Volunteering organisations like Young Mizo Association (YMA) YMCA are creating awareness in the public towards mass gathering, social distancing, do's and don'ts on COVID 19.
- Chhattisgarh IAG meeting on the issue was held on 17th March 2020 at UNICEF Office. Next meeting is schedule on 27th March. Currently testing is at AIIMS Raipur. 0 cases so far. Schools closed till 31st March.
- Sphere India coordination meeting on the current situation of Covid-19 with NDMA, UN agencies and WHO is progressing on how better the civil society organisations can supplement the government effort.
- LSSS childline team is planning to start an awareness campaign at Ballarshah railway station regarding corona virus and its preventive measures.
- Terre des hommes foundation has 35 partners in West Bengal, Jharkhand and Odisha are working for covid-19 preparedness.
- Sphere India organized an inter-agency coordination committee member's interface meeting through Skype Call with state IAGs conveners on 18th March to discuss a way forward to contain covid-19 accessed at <https://sphereindiablog.files.wordpress.com/2020/03/mom-iag-iac-skype-meeting-coordination-call-18th-march-2020.pdf>. During the coordination meeting, It was collectively decided to activate the URS for COVID-19 by the state IAGs Conveners. Since, Sphere India IAC committee have already activated its Unified Response Matrix for COVID 19, the agencies were urged to continuously update their response and planning in the URS matrix through below pasted link in MIS format to combat for a joint coordinated response to fight COVID 19.

URS link accessed at

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1aLrzi55mc5el6TXDFRLMekg5KyANuUOrCMseZqn\\_Uk/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1aLrzi55mc5el6TXDFRLMekg5KyANuUOrCMseZqn_Uk/edit#gid=0)



- Sphere India, has activated 07 Regional WhatsApp Groups for awareness generation by cross disseminating IEC material against COVID 19. Mobilization of 405 - 800 Sphere India member local partners across India to be part of this information sharing group is in progress.

Similarly, WhatsApp group for state and district level IAGs conveners of 21 states and local leaders are functioning since 17th of March 2020.

## F. SOURCE OF INFORMATION

- Media, Twitter handle of Government official, Government websites and WHO Situation report.

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