



SITUATION REPORT 8: COVID 19 IN INDIA

5th April 2020

A. GLOBAL SCENARIO

As on 4th April 2020 (Data as reported by national authorities by 8:00 CET 4th April 2020)

Globally: 1051 635 confirmed (79 332 new); 56 985 deaths (6664 new)

Western Pacific Region: 110 362 confirmed (1432 new); 3809 deaths (49 new)

European Region: 583 141 confirmed (41 333 new); 42 334 deaths (5231 new);

South-East Asia Region- 6528 confirmed (647 new) 267 deaths (22 new)

East Mediterranean Region- 65 903 confirmed (3667 new) 3592 deaths (154 new)

Region of the Americas- 279 453 confirmed (32070 new) 6802 deaths (1202 new)

Africa Region- 5446 confirmed (183 new) 170 deaths (6 new)

WHO RISK ASSESSMENT: Global Level: Very High

Source: Countries official sites and WHO report

B. STATE WISE BREAKUP OF CASES IN INDIA:

India: 3374 including 65 foreign nationals as on 4.04.2020 at 12:00 PM

Name of State / UT	Total Confirmed cases (Including 49 foreign nationals)	Cured/ Discharged/Migrated	Death
Andhra Pradesh	161	1	1
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	10	0	0
Arunachal Pradesh	1	0	0
Assam	24	0	0
Bihar	30	0	1
Chhattisgarh	9	3	0
Delhi	445	15	6
Gujarat	105	14	10
Goa	7	0	0
Haryana	49	24	0
Himachal Pradesh	6	1	1
Jharkhand	2	0	0
Karnataka	144	12	4
Kerala	306	49	2
Madhya Pradesh	104	0	6
Maharashtra	490	42	24
Manipur	2	0	0
Mizoram	1	0	0
Odisha	20	0	0
Puducherry	5	1	0
Punjab	57	1	5
Rajasthan	200	21	0
Tamil Nadu	485	6	3
Telangana	269	32	7
Chandigarh	18	0	0
Jammu and Kashmir	92	4	2
Ladakh	14	10	0
Uttar Pradesh	227	19	2
Uttarakhand	22	2	0
West Bengal	69	10	3



Total number of confirmed	3374	267	77
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Source: <https://www.mohfw.gov.in>

D. HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE TO THE DISEASE

Government Response:

- The government of India has launched its official Covid-19 tracking app Called **Aarogya Setu**, the app has been developed by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology through Public Private partnerships under guidance of NIC in just over four days.
- Prime Minister has appealed citizens to switch off electric lights at 9 pm on Sunday for nine minutes, and light candles or diyas, or flash torchlights or mobile lights standing at their doorsteps or balconies. The message behind this is to fight darkness with light and hope.
- Govt to take decision on Apr 14 whether to reopen schools, colleges after reviewing COVID-19 situation: HRD Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal informed.
- PM also called up leaders of various political parties like Sonia Gandhi, Mulayam Singh, Akhilesh Yadav, Mamta Banerjee, Naveen Patnaik, KCR, Stalin and Parkash Singh Badal to discuss the current situation in the country.
- PM Modi today called 2 former Presidents Pranab Mukherjee, Pratibha Patil and had a discussion on COVID-19 related issues.
- About 40,000 Indian seafarers stranded across globe on account of lockdown: Maritime bodies reported.
- Delhi Police appeals to people not to come out of their homes on Shab-e-Barat in view of coronavirus
- The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has set up a dedicated Twitter handle for sharing news and updates about the novel coronavirus. The account is named **#IndiaFightsCorona** and uses the handle **@CovidnewsbyMIB**.
- The government has come up with a containment plan to avoid larger outbreak of pandemic in the nation.
- MOHF has issued advisory on delivery of Rapid Test kits (blood based) for use in response to COVID-19 situation.
- Government has further issued extension of validity of CGHS cards expiring 31st March in view of COVID 19.
- Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray warned that strict legal action would be taken against people spreading “fake news” and “communal hatred” over coronavirus.
- The government has drafted a letter to all states and UTs and heads of all associations of doctors and healthcare providers reagriding Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package: Insurance Scheme for Health Workers Fighting COVID-19', Sates and UTs are requested to inform all such health Care providers through various mediums like SMS, whatsapp, e-rmail etc. in local language about their inclusion under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package.

NGO / Civil Society Response

IAGs Kerala:

- IAG Thrissur exchanged communication with Pananchery Panchayath Assistant Secretary, Ambika to resolve the issue of inadequate supply of medicines in various parts of the district.
- Emergency control room has been set up by IAG Thrissur to monitor the ground situation and escalate issues to government officials. The control room is functional 24*7.
- IAG Thrissur launches call center for migrant workers at District collectorate, Thrissur.



Other State IAGs:

- IAG Madhya Pradesh is coordinating with NITI Aayog to decentralize responsibilities. Niti Ayog has already requested the Chief Secretary and District Collector / Deputy Commissioners of States to facilitate work and efforts, please be in touch with the District Magistrate and the State Nodal officers.
- IAG Manipur is helping local community organization in producing homemade masks as there is a crisis of masks in the market.
- IAG West Bengal is coordinating with Govt via its volunteers in distribution of relief materials.
- IAG UP in collaboration with UPSDMA and OXFAM India has started training of volunteers, dry ration distribution and miking with moving vehicle for awareness on 4 preventive methods.
- IAG Rajasthan has drafted a Joint appeal letter to protect the vulnerable group letter to be send to CM office in order to bring out last mile gaps.
- IAG Bihar has started awareness need in response to COVID 19 and is waiting for more active government humanitarian response. Various organisation in Bihar is also providing food packets. Indra Gandhi organisation, UNICEF are all providing food packets through network created by BSDMA.
- IAG Himachal Pradesh is coordinating with Aangawadi workers, Aasha workers and with government in their effort to provide ration to daily wage workers.
- In Jharkhand World vision, Plan India and Sewa have taken lead in participating with people. They are developing IEC materials for educating public. The IAG is further planning to get movement passes through the government for more active intervention.
- In Karnataka Indian Red CROSS have tied up with DIPR (Department of Information and Public Relation) in volunteer mobilisation and participation. Special helpline is opened up by the department for migrant labourers. 16,000 application is received under Cornawarrior campaign. District administration has activated BBMP wardroom in the state.
- IAG Maharashtra has activated 3 WhatsApp groups with other organisation and is seeking govt intervention in the same.
- IAG Tripura with 4 other organisations are planning to take up food distribution shortly. Request for obtaining the permission for the same has already been sent to the govt.
- IAG Odisha is working in collaboration with 11 IAS officers and health department in countering the cases and spreading awareness. Govt of Odisha is providing cooked food to 80 urban and local bodies covering 90,000 of the population. Shelter camps have already been arranged by the govt for migrant laborers.
- IAG Telangana had a meeting with principal secretary of the DM to discuss further action and more active participation in COVID 19 response.
- IAG Tamil Nadu and govt are identifying epicenter of outbreak and screening of the identified hotbeds have already started. IAG is also meeting with advising agencies to not violate the rules of lockdown and work within the permission granted. Message of staff security is also being spread.

Sphere India and other NGOs:

- Panchsheel Development Trust currently have 800 volunteers in 5 districts and are disseminating information about sanitization of Hand pumps in (3000 villages) permitted posters 200 by GOI is also being used.
- The Resilient Foundation is providing food items, sanitary napkin to the daily wage worker. Helping homeless people to find shelter home and feeding them on daily basis. Feeding streets animal
- Nature & Life Savers Association are doing community awareness on sanitising and staying indoors.
- UNDP - ICRG unit Chhattisgarh are connect ZP and NREGA functionaries and mobilising resources from DFID and UNDP
- CARE India is involved in multiple sectors from community engagement, support for healthcare providers operating at community level for COVID response, economic support through women's groups at community level, WASH Interventions, livelihood support through Direct Benefit Transfer



and support to SHGs, supply and value chain restoration for communities and education in emergency situation leveraging digital technologies.

- Jan Sahas has released Rapid Assessment report on the impact of COVID-19 lockdown on Internal Migrant Workers and named it "Voices of the Invisible Citizens" including recommendations for the State, Industry & Philanthropies.
- WaterAid India is collectively launching an intensive 8-day campaign in 7 languages using digital posters, audio messages and video messages on 'Good Hygiene Practices to Prevent COVID-19' to create awareness among communities.
- Sphere India with the aim of assessing preparedness and response measures for COVID-19, organised a National Strategic Communication with Communities Working Groups. Some key discussions were to identify 2-3 specific areas of interventions and approach govt. with their plan while keeping this group updated.
- Sphere India is aiming to do capacity building through distance education of volunteers until the end of national lockdown period. This will be done through COVID 19 Academy soon coming up in collaboration with NDMA, UNICEF and WHO.
- NIMHANS will be handling Psycho-socio support materials to Sphere India for further dissemination in IAGs groups.
- Furthermore, NDMA has requested Sphere India to collate information of all organisations who are willing to support with their interventions in the current crisis. All organizations can fill their work and role in Unified Response Matrix which can be accessed at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1aLrzi55mc5el6TXDFRLMekg5KyANuUOrCMseZqn_Uk/edit#gid%3D0. The information will be shared with NDMA and then NDMA will help facilitating the agencies through authorities at various level accordingly.

F. SOURCE OF INFORMATION

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

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