

SITUATION REPORT: CORONAVIRUS 12th March 2020

A. GLOBAL SCENARIO

As on 12th March 2020:

Globally: 118 326 confirmed (4627 new); 4292 deaths (280 new)
China: 80 955 confirmed (31 new); 162 deaths (22 new)
Outside of China: 37 371 confirmed (4596 new); 1130 deaths (258 new); 113 countries/territories/ areas (4 new)

WHO RISK ASSESSMENT: China Very High ; Regional Level: Very High, Global Level: Very High

B. CURRENT SITUATION IN INDIA As of 12th March 2020:

India: 73 including 16 Italian tourists State wise breakup of cases in India:

Name of the State/UT	Total no of cases confirmed (Indian Nationals)	Total Cases Confirmed (Foreign Nationals)
Delhi	6	0
Haryana	0	14
Kerala	17	0
Rajasthan	1	2
Telangana	1	0
Uttar Pradesh	10	1
Union	3	0
Territory of		
Ladakh		
Tamil Naidu	1	0
Union	1	0
Territory of		
Jammu and		
Kashmir		
Punjab	1	0
Karnataka	4	0
Maharashtra	11	0
Total no of	56	17
confirmed		
cases in India		

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

D. HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE TO THE DISEASE

Government Response:

- A high-level meeting by Govt of India was held on 11th march 2020. Key decisions of the meeting include:
 - All existing visas, except diplomatic, official, UN/International Organizations, employment, project visas, stand suspended till 15th April 2020. This will come into effect from 1200 GMT



on 13th March 2020 at the port of departure.

- Visa free travel facility granted to OCI card holders is kept in abeyance till April 15th 2020.
- Any foreign national who intends to travel to India for compelling reason may contact the nearest Indian Mission
- Additional quarantine facilities, development of isolation wards, training of health workers & doctors being undertaken by the States/UTs.
- Until, 8th March 2020 there are 52 laboratories identified by Indian Council of Medical Research for testing Covid-19 and a total of 57 laboratories have been identified to support sample collection and referral
- Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan chaired a review and coordination meeting on 9th March with L-G Anil Baijal, Delhi CM, mayors of the Municipal Corporations of Delhi and senior officials of various departments to discuss on countering Coronavirus in country.
- Health Minister also said that government is prepared to deal with novel coronavirus and his ministry is sending directives, including guidelines, to states in all the languages on ways to contain it.
- Ministry of Health and NDMA is disseminating Do's and Don'ts and travel advisory on COVID 19 to public through social media.
- Ministry of Health have activated the Helpline Number for corona-virus : +91-11-23978046
- KIDS, VAAYU & CORONA : Comic book for children to provide correct information about COVID-19 by Ministry of Health can be accessed at https://www.mohfw.gov.in/Corona_comic_PGI.pdf
- In Jammu and Kashmir 41 local residents of Budgam will be quarantined at 76 bed facilities.
- As per the order of Delhi Government all primary schools will be closed until 31st of March.
- Prime Minister Modi cancelled his travel to Bangladesh on March 17 after the Sheikh Hasina government deferred the birth centenary celebrations of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman after the country confirmed its first three cases of coronavirus last week.
- Government has issued directive to telecom companies to make a pre-call announcement on Coronavirus while making a call.
- Government has also disabled biometrics for employees in both public and private offices from 6th of March until 31st October
- India has imposed "some restrictions" on export of certain medical equipment to China in view of their shortage of supply in the country, and the precautions taken are in accordance with World Health Organization's (WHO) advisory for the coronavirus outbreak.
- India also restricted export of about 26 Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients and formulations including antibiotics, vitamins and hormones like Paracetamol, Tinidazole, Metronidazole, Vitamins B1, B6, B12, hormone progesterone, with immediate effect.
- Government prohibited entry of any international cruise ships. International ships will only be allowed at ports having thermal screening facilities.
- Karnataka government issued temporary regulation which asked all government and private hospitals to have flu corners for screening of suspected cases of COVID-19.
- NDMA convened a meeting of Civil Society organizations to brainstorm and strategize the role of civil society in preparedness and response to COVID 19 in India.

NGO / Civil Society Response

- Various Civil Society Organisations have issued advisories to their staff and partners for COVID-19 awareness.
- Sphere India Inter Agency Coordination Committee activated Unified Response Strategy and call for action to different stakeholders to fight COVID 19. The Call for Action Advocacy can be accessed at <a href="https://sphereindiablog.files.wordpress.com/2020/03/call-for-actions-coronavirus-coro



disease-2019-covid-19.pdf

- The Unified Response Matrix for agencies responding / planning to response to share and update their plan for a joint coordinated response to fight COVID 19 can be accessed at <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1aLrzi55mc5el6TXDFRLMekg5KyANuUOrCMseZqn_Uk</u> /edit#gid=0
- A National Training of Trainers (ToT) was organized by MoHFW on 6th March with WHO to support on COVID- 19 with a focus on strengthening Infection Prevention Control, Surveillance and Risk Communication and Community Engagement.
- On 07 March, WCO organized the same training for partners including UNICEF, CDC, USAID, NDMA, AIIMS, IDEA. The training was attended by 80 participants, facilitated by 20 resource persons from MoHFW, WHO, UNICEF, and, close to 300 field staff joined by video link.
- WCO is closely working with National Centre for Diseases Control (NCDC) on disease surveillance, with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) on laboratory testing capacity, and the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting on risk communications.

F. SOURCE OF INFORMATION

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

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