



# The Coronavirus Disease 2019 News release

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Regarding today's COVID-19 situation in Thailand, five new COVID-19 cases were confirmed. Four confirmed cases were those who returned from the United Arab Emirates and the other confirmed case returned from Egypt and they were all under state quarantine. This brought the total number of cases to 3,202. 11 cases recovered and were discharged (a total of 3,085 cases have recovered or 96.15% of the total number of the confirmed cases) and 59 were being treated in hospitals (1.84% of the total number of confirmed cases). There were no reports of deaths so the total number of deaths remained at 58 cases.

The report of the new confirmed cases still shows that they are Thai returnees coming back from abroad. They are observed under the standard disease surveillance protocol in state quarantine facilities supported by the government which includes health screening for fever, cough, sore throat, and respiratory symptoms, and providing accommodations for observation for 14 days. During the observation period, they are tested twice. If individuals are sick, they will be sent to receive timely treatment in the hospital to ensure that there are no imported cases in the country. Among 53,087 people who have been observed since the quarantine measure started to July 9, 2020, 265 confirmed cases were detected with COVID-19 (0.5% of the total number of returnees). Of those 48.8% were asymptomatic. Moreover, most of the confirmed cases have been of working age and students who have strong physical health and may not show any symptoms.

Even though Thailand has not reported local transmission of COVID-19 for 45 consecutive days, please do not let your guard down and continue to strictly comply with the prevention measures until it becomes a habit, especially students and working groups who may not show any symptoms upon infection. Everyone must wear a face mask/cloth mask every time they leave the residence. Avoid visiting crowded places, keep space from others, frequently wash your hands, and apply the New Normal measures in their life for your safety and the safety of others.