

## Special Announcement of COVID-19 On 5 August 2020

Today (5 August 2020) at the Centre of COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA), Ministry of Public Health, Nonthaburi, Dr. Panprapa Yongtrakul Vice-Spokesperson of CCSA stated that regarding the COVID-19 situation in Thailand, seven new COVID-19 cases were confirmed. One confirmed case returned from The United Arab Emirates, five confirmed cases returned from Egypt, and the other confirmed case returned from the United States. They were all under state quarantine supported by the government. This brought the total number of cases to 3,328. Two cases recovered and were discharged (a total of 3,144 cases have recovered or 94.47% of the total number of the confirmed cases) and 126 were being treated in hospitals (3.79% of the total number of confirmed cases). There were no reports of deaths as the total number of deaths remained at 58 cases.

Today, the seven newly confirmed cases include:

- One confirmed case who returned from the United Arab Emirates. She is a 34 year-old Thai female massage therapist who arrived in Thailand on July 29 and was observed under state quarantine in Chonburi province. Her laboratory results were positive for SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) on August 2nd (day 4 of quarantine) but she was asymptomatic and was referred to a hospital in Chonburi province. Prior to that on the same flight, two cases were confirmed with SARS-CoV-2 infection.
- The five cases from Egypt include: a 21 year-old Thai female, and four cases among Thai male students (22, 23, 26, and 30 years old) who arrived in Thailand on July 30th and were observed under state quarantine in Chonburi province. Their laboratory results were positive for SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) on 3 August (day 4 of quarantine) but they were asymptomatic and were referred to a hospital in Chonburi province. Prior to that on the same flight, one case was confirmed with SARS-CoV-2 infection.
- The confirmed case who returned from the United States is a 26 year-old American female teacher who arrived in Thailand on July 31 and was observed under the alternative state quarantine in Bangkok. Her laboratory results were positive for SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) on August 3rd (day 3 of quarantine) but she was asymptomatic and was referred to a private hospital in Bangkok.

All returnees who returned from abroad have to be quarantined to observe their symptoms for 14 days and will be tested for COVID-19 twice. If an individual is sick or gets infected, they will be referred to receive appropriate treatment immediately.

“Some countries have been able to cope with the global pandemic situation, and others have faced a second or third wave of infections. This reflects that a second wave in Thailand may occur. The Centre of COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) and the Ministry of Public Health have prepared measures to take care of the people’s health, but the thing that’s more important than treatment is prevention. It requires cooperation with people to prevent getting infected by wearing a face mask/cloth mask. This will protect people from getting COVID-19.”



# The Coronavirus Disease 2019 News release

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For people who attended the Thai singer Jennie's concert on 25 July 2020 in Nakhon Sri Thammarat, COVID-19 testing by the 5 royal biosafety sample collecting vans were arranged by the Ministry of Public Health for testing. On 4 August 2020, 617 people had samples collected, 367 samples were collected at Cha-Uat district office and 250 samples were collected at Cha-Uat school. On 5 August 2020, 600 people were be tested at Nang-Lhong Health Promoting Hospital (Ban Phu Bua in the morning and Koh Khan Prachapiban school in the afternoon), 500 samples were collected at Cha-Uat school, 300 samples were collected at Cha-Uat district office, and 1,000 samples were collected Cha-Uat Wittayakom school. The results will be reported within 2-3 days.