

Thailand situation update on 5 June 2020

1. International Situation

As of 5 June 2020, there were a total of 6,717,357 confirmed cases with 55,456 patients in critical condition and 393,449 COVID-19 deaths across more than 210 countries, two Special Administrative Regions of the People's Republic of China (Hong Kong and Macau), and on cruise ships. The ten countries with the most confirmed COVID-19 cases include: the United States (1,924,189), Brazil (615,870), Russia (449,834), Spain (287,740), England (281,661), Italy (234,013), India (227,029), Germany (184,923), Peru (183,198) and Turkey (167,410). The 17th is the People's Republic of China (84,172 cases, as well as 1,100 and 45 cases in the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau, respectively).

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

2.1 Surveillance Protocol for COVID-19

The accumulated data from 3 January to 4 June 2020 showed that among 39,876 flights, there were a total of 4,452,527 passengers screened. Among those, 1,438 people met the case definition criteria of patients under investigation (PUI). Outside of the airports, 148,800 people from 2,757 ships were screened at seaports between 1 January and 4 June 2020, and two people met the PUI criteria. There were 2,003,055 people screened at ground ports between 1 February to 4 June 2020. Between 30 January to 5 June 2020, a total of 191,556 people who were renewing their passports were screened at the Government Complex Commemorating His Majesty at Chaengwattana Road. The total number of PUI from all ports is currently 1,440 people.

2.2 Situation of Patients with Suspected Symptoms of COVID-19 in Thailand.

On 5 June 2020 at 18:00, Thailand announced that 6,124 additional people met the criteria for PUI, raising the total to 224,386 PUI, as shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Results of screening implementation to detect patients with suspected symptoms of COVID-19

Situation	Total number of PUI
Total number of people who met the criteria of patients under investigation (PUI) divided by ports	224,386
• Detected from the airport screening	1,438
• Detected from seaports	2
• Sought medical services on their own at hospitals	222,858
• Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao	88

Situation	Total number of PUI
Confirmed cases	3,102
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recovered and discharged from hospitals 	2,971
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Undergoing Treatment 	73
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Deaths 	58
Characteristics of Infection in Confirmed cases	3,102
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Local Transmission 	2,444
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Imported Cases 	658
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Designated Quarantine Places* 	165

Notice: *The quarantine measures for travelers from aboard have been in effect as of 3 April 2020

In Thailand, there have been 3,102 confirmed COVID-19 cases. Among the confirmed cases, 2,971 patients have recovered and returned home, and 58 patients have died.

A 14-day State Quarantine measure has been implemented by the government for travelers entering Thailand from abroad. On 5 June 2020, 1 additional case was reported, and the total number of cases at designated quarantine areas increased to 165 cases. There were 62 cases among Thai people returning from Indonesia, 31 cases from Kuwait, 12 cases from Saudi Arabia, 10 cases from Pakistan, seven cases from America, nine cases from Qatar, six cases from the United of Arab Emirates, four cases from Malaysia, four cases from Russia, three cases from Egypt, three cases from India, two cases from England, two cases from Kazakhstan, two cases from Japan, two cases from Turkey, one case from the Netherlands, one case from Bahrain, and one case from the Philippines. All Thai people returning from abroad are required to comply with State Quarantine measures, meaning they have to quarantine in specific provinces; in total there are 37 cases quarantined in Bangkok, 27 cases in Chonburi, 25 cases in Songkhla, 23 cases in Samut Prakan, 18 cases in Satun, 14 cases in Pattani, 9 cases in Yala, 9 cases in Narathiwat, and 3 cases in Krabi.

On 8 May 2020, 65 confirmed cases were found at the immigration quarantine unit at Sadao district in Songkhla province (37 cases were Burmese, 20 cases were stateless Rohingya, 3 cases were Vietnamese, 2 cases were Malaysian, 1 case was Yemeni, 1 case was Cambodian, and 1 case was Indian).

The median age of the confirmed cases is 37 years old (ranging from 1 month to 97 years old). 1,706 cases are male, and 1,396 cases are female (the ratio of male to female: 1.21:1).

In terms of nationality, 2,766 cases are Thai, 56 are Burmese, 35 are Chinese, 29 are French, 24 are British, 20 cases are Stateless Rohingya, 12 are Russian, 13 are American, 11 are Japanese, nine are Indian, nine are German, eight are Canadian, eight are Italian, six are Swedish, six are Belgian, six are Swiss, five are Danish, five are Filipino, five are Singaporean, four are Pakistani, four are Australian, four are Malaysian, four are Vietnamese, three are South Korean, three are Indonesian, three are Cambodian, two are Kazakh, two are Brazilian, two are Laos, two are New Zealander (one case is Maori), two are Spanish, two are

Israeli, two are Albanian, one is American-Samoa, one is Malian, one is Kuwaiti, one is Serbian, one is Tunisian, one is Taiwanese, one is Dutch, one is Palestinian, one is Portuguese, one is Finnish, one is Mexican, one is Ukrainian, one is Yemeni, one is Liberian, one is Thai-Indian, one is Iranian, one is Uzbek, one is Hungarian, and data is not available for the remaining 14 cases.

141 cases were reported with underlying diseases and 2,961 cases reported without any underlying disease. 40 cases were detected from the screening protocol at airports (one case was found within the group of Thai workers returning from Wuhan). 1,588 cases sought medical treatment by themselves, 1,189 cases were tracked via case investigation and defined as “close contacts”. A total of 55 confirmed cases were found from the active case finding implementation.

3. Thailand Precautions

- Phuket province has implemented further easing of lockdown measures for its entry and exit points with allowing buses to operate for interprovincial travel. People who wish to travel to the province are asked to register in the Phuket Smart Check-in system and are required to strictly follow the preventive measures described by the government, including maintaining cleanliness, using the Thai Chana platform for businesses, requesting customers to scan QR codes before and after using their services to limit the number of customers and to track people in case an infected case is reported. People need to wear hygienic masks or cloth masks at all times, keep at least 1-2 meters apart from other people, and wash hands with soap or alcohol often.
- The Department of Transport is allowing all transport offices to reopen their licensing services on 8 June 2020 except for providing driver training. In addition, on June 22, all of the services will be allowed to reopen and the people who book their reservation in advance through the DLT Smart Queue Application will have priority to receive services. However, all services need to be provided in accordance with the measures limiting the number of customers and service time including social distancing.
- The Siam Premium Outlet Bangkok project will open for service on June 19, 2020, by providing check-in and check-out measures via the Thai Win platform, temperature checks, and providing service stations for alcohol gel. Service providers will wear masks and face shields at all times of service duration and will strictly maintain hygiene. Another measure is the limitation of the number of customers allowed in areas according to social distancing measures.
- The Ministry of Transport informed that their services for the public will fully open i.e. buses, trains and planes. To prepare for increased travel in most areas except some provinces, which still have lockdown measures, all public transportation systems must be strict in the social distancing measures, enforce wearing hygienic masks or fabric masks at all times, provide hand sanitizer/alcohol gel services, and have everyone check in with the Thai Chana platform.

4. Risk Communication to the Public

- The measures, including disease screening, isolation, quarantine or quarantine for observation to control and prevent the disease are implemented among passengers departing from areas or countries affected by COVID-19.
- In cases where it is necessary to make contact with other people, please wear a mask and maintain a distance of at least 1 meter between yourself and the other person when interacting with others. It is also recommended to only make contact with people for only a short period.
- Regularly wash hands with water and soap or use alcohol gel. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with your hands.
- Do not use or share personal stuff with others (i.e. handkerchiefs, glasses, and towels) since pathogens causing respiratory disease can be transmitted to other people through secretions.
- Avoid eating raw food.