

Thailand situation update on 26 June 2020

1. International Situation

As of 26 June 2020, there were a total of 9,730,246 confirmed cases with 57,394 patients in critical condition and 485,361 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 (2,504,676), Brazil (1,233,147), Russia (620,794), India (491,741), England (307,980), Spain (294,566), Peru (268,602), Chile (259,064), Italy (239,706), and Iran (215,096). The 21st is the People's Republic of China (84,702 cases, as well as 1,194 and 46 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 25 June 2020 showed that among 41,099 flights, there were a total of 4,481,894 passengers screened. Among those, 1,788 people met the case definition criteria of patients under investigation (PUI). Outside of the airports, 153,533 people from 3,157 ships were screened at seaports between 1 January and 25 June 2020, and two people met the PUI criteria. There were 2,067,312 people screened at ground ports between 1 February to 25 June 2020. Between 30 January to 26 June 2020, a total of 209,936 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 1,790 people.

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

On 26 June 2020 at 18:00, Thailand announced that 2,425 additional people met the criteria for PUI, raising the total to 305,095 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	305,095
• Detected from the airport screening	1,788
• Detected from seaports	2
• Sought medical services on their own at hospitals	303,217
• Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao	88

The Coronavirus Disease 2019 Situation

by Emergency Operations Center, Department of Disease Control

Confirmed cases	3,162
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recovered and discharged from hospitals 	3,054
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undergoing Treatment** 	50
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deaths 	58
Characteristics of Infection in Confirmed cases	3,162
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Transmission 	2,444
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Imported Cases 	718
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Designated Quarantine Places* 	225

Notice: *Quarantine measures for travelers from abroad have been in effect since 3 April 2020
**information from the Department of Health Services Support.

In Thailand, there have been 3,162 confirmed COVID-19 cases. Among the confirmed cases, 3,054 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 26 June 2020, four additional cases were reported, and the total number of cases at designated quarantine areas increased to 225 cases. There were 65 cases among Thai people returning from Indonesia, 34 cases from Kuwait, 28 cases from Saudi Arabia, 17 cases from the United of Arab Emirates, 14 cases from India, 13 cases from Pakistan, 12 cases from Qatar, nine cases from America, six cases from Egypt, five cases from Russia, four cases from Malaysia, two cases from England, two cases from Kazakhstan, two cases from Turkey, two cases from the Netherlands, two case from Bahrain, two case from the Philippines, two cases from Sudan, one case from Japan, one case from Madagascar, one case from South Africa, and one case from China. 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 67 cases quarantined in Bangkok, 46 cases in Chonburi, 30 cases in Samut Prakan, 25 cases in Songkhla, 18 cases in Satun, 15 cases in Pattani, 9 cases in Yala, 9 cases in Narathiwat, 3 cases in Chachoengsao, 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). 1,740 cases are male, and 1,422 cases are female (the ratio of male to female is 1.22:1).

In terms of nationality, 2,826 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.

192 cases were reported with underlying diseases and 2,970 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 measures.

3. Thailand Precautions

- Bangkok Mass Transit Authority, BMT will relax the measure of "social distancing" on the public bus so that each bus can more support the number of customers (increasing at 70%), especially during the opening of the schools semester in the year of 2020. Since 1 July 2020, passengers or family members who come together are allowed to sit beside each other in the determined seats. During the relaxation phase 5 and the opening of schools semester , the bus services plan is as follows,

1. bus services will be provided at 100% (3000 busses / day) or the bus services will be provided as per the people's demand in each period (around 25000 rounds / day). Before providing services, the vehicles will be cleaned and sprayed by the disinfectant mixing with alcohol 70%, especially the areas always touched by the passengers.

2. Mark the appropriate seating distance (seat with no cross mark sign) and arrange distance for 1 meter. In each bus, passengers can be allowed to stand in the bus only 10 people, in case there are passengers over the specified number, ticket taker will put a label mentioning that "Full service users, please use the next car service " in front of the car mirror along with publicizing for service users to be informed to wait for the next bus service

3. Mark seating for a pair of seats (a pair of seats that do not have a cross sign on both seats) for the passengers who traveled together, the same family members can sit next to each other.

4. Check the bus maintenance and its engine to be ready for service along with checking the automatic opening-closing doors.

5. Instal QR code , Thai Win application stickers in the back area of each passenger and side wall inside the bus.

Staff who were categorized as

1. have to supervise the bus driver to strictly perform duties in accordance with traffic regulations. Ticket takers needed to closely take care of the passengers when getting on and off, also provide a customerfriendly service.

2. provide the alcohol testing, pressure measuring and body temperature testing for driver and conductor every time before working on the bus. The driver and conductor must wear masks and gloves during work.

3. provide the staff and inspector for crowded places that have so many passengers such as in front of school and bus stop to convenient the traffic and take care of the passengers.

For the passengers 1. must wear masks every time during take a bus 2. must sit and stand at a given point 3. If the passenger travel together with others or family, they can sit at the couple of seats that are provided. For the passenger who travels alone, they must sit at the seat that has no cross mark sign 4. the passenger should scan Thaichana QR Code on the bus 5. the passenger must strictly follow the recommendation of conductor and inspector.

- The Office of the Basic Education Commission reported the self-assessment of schools in pre-school preparation. The results showed that all schools pass all 20 standard assessments. The 23,000 schools are ready for full-term students, and more than 5,000 schools need to implement the combination of studying at school and online education. Every school has to strictly implement the screening system, and all schools must use the Thaichana application in recording student data. The surveillance procedure is to be conducted to detect the sickening student and will send to the public health officials immediately. If the confirmed case is found, the school must stop teaching and learning for 14 days to clean. For teachers and other children in the school, they have to go through a screening and quarantine process for 14 days.

- The Deputy Governor of Phuket has warned to street vendors in social distancing and emphasized everyone for wearing cloth or surgical masks

4. Risk Communication to the Public

- In case of traveling to areas and across areas by public transport, the public transport operator must prepare the system and comply with the disease control measures, i.e. cleaning the vehicle, screening passengers, encouraging passengers to wear a mask, limiting bus services during certain periods, arranging distance between seats, and limiting the number of passengers. Customers must wear a mask at all times while traveling, refrain from talking and eating on public transport, and register each time they enter/leave the service area.

- For other business places/enterprises, operators are recommended to keep the areas clean, encourage people to wear a mask, limit the number of customers in accordance with the COVID-19 control measures.

- For people visiting crowded places or closed areas such as meeting rooms, department stores, and movie theatres, they are recommended to wear a mask, keep a distance of at least 1-2 meters from other people, and limit contact with other people to be only for a short period of time.

- 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.