

Thailand situation update on 11 July 2020

1. International Situation

As of 11 July 2020, there were a total of 12,630,872 confirmed cases with 58,696 patients in critical condition and 562,888 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 (3,291,786), Brazil (1,804,338), India (822,603), Russia (713,936), Peru (319,646), Chile (309,274), Spain (300,988), Mexico (289,174), England (288,133), and Iran (252,720). The 23rd is the People's Republic of China (85,037 cases, as well as 1,404 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 as of 10 July 2020 showed that 6,988,413 people had passed the entrances and exits at the international ports of entry. Of those, 2,012 people met the case definition criteria of patients under investigation (PUI), as shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Screening passengers at ports of entry

Ports of Entry	Total number of screened people	Total number of PUI
Total number	6,988,413	2,033
• Airport screening* (41,831 flights)	4,499,618	2,025
• Seaports**	156,457	2
• Ground ports***	2,111,017	6
• Renewing passports at the Government Complex Commemorating His Majesty at Chaengwattana Road****	221,321	0

Remark: Includes data starting from *January 3rd, **January 1st, ***February 1st, ****January 30th

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

On 11 July 2020 at 20.00, Thailand announced that 1,143 additional people met the criteria for PUI, raising the total to 329,887 PUI, as shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Results of screening implementation to detect patients with suspected symptoms of COVID-19

Situation	Total number of PUI
Total number of laboratory tests	624,173
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People who met the PUI criteria 	329,887
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From the Active Case Finding 	9,775
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Returnees under state quarantine 	46,266
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People who did not meet the PUI criteria 	238,245
Total number of people who met the criteria of patients under investigation (PUI)	329,887
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detected from ports of entry 	2,033
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (97,651 cases in Private hospitals, and 230,115 cases in Public hospital) 	327,766
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao 	88
Confirmed cases	3,216
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recovered and discharged from hospitals 	3,088
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undergoing Treatment 	70
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaths 	58
Characteristics of Infection in Confirmed cases	3,216
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Transmission 	2,444
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imported Cases 	772
- Designated Quarantine Places*	279

Notice: *Quarantine measures for travelers from abroad have been in effect since 3 April 2020

The median age of the confirmed cases is 37 years old (ranging from 1 month to 97 years old). 1,775 cases are male, and 1,441 cases are female (the ratio of male to female is 1.23:1). In terms of nationality, 2,878 cases are Thai, 327 cases are foreigners, and data is not available for the remaining 11 cases.

198 cases were reported with underlying diseases and 3,018 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

- The Centre for the Covid-19 Situation Administration has approved functions to support the mobile application from the Central Administration Office. The application was designed to support travel for foreigners entering Thailand and consists of 4 parts: 1. Health Profile Registration, 2. Health assessment, 3. Monitoring travel plans while staying in Thailand, 4. Surveillance status (using a QR Code) which will help investigators know the status of the foreign traveler whether the person is under control for symptom observation or if the person has completed the duration of quarantine. For the first situation, the medical team serves as the operator. For the second situation, the information will be filled by the person who was in charge of the quarantine facility.
- Bangkok has considered six main projects which were initiated to promote tourism and stimulate the economic system in the communities in accordance with the government’s policies. The aforementioned projects were implemented in the following six areas: 1. Klong Bang Luang, 2. Chao Phraya Sky Park, 3. Rattanakosin Island, 4. Phadung Krung Kasem – Canal, 5. Hua Takhe (Lan Boon Temple -Hua Takhe market –Suthapot Temple), 6. Krathum Suea Pla – Mahabut Temple.

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.