

Thailand situation update on 16 December 2020

## 1. International Situation

Type of case	Total number	Rate of Increase
Confirmed case	73,877,114	+624,661
Deaths	1,643,191	2.22%

## 2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total number of PUI*
<b>Total number of new case</b>	+15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cases found positive from the state quarantine (Imported)</li> </ul>	15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cases found positive outside state quarantine (Imported)</li> </ul>	0
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cases were infected in Thailand (Local transmission)</li> </ul>	0
<b>Confirmed cases</b>	4,261
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Designated Quarantine Places</li> </ul>	1,267
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Transmission</li> </ul>	2,463
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Imported cases</li> </ul>	1,798
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recovered and discharged from hospitals</li> </ul>	3,977 (+28)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Undergoing treatment</li> </ul>	224 (93.33%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deaths</li> </ul>	60 (1.41%)

Remark: \*PUI (Patients Under Investigation)

# The Coronavirus Disease 2019 Situation

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Type of patient	Total number of PUI
<b>Total number of screened people</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Point of entry (Airport, Ground port and Seaport)</li> </ul>	7,470,246
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People who renew their passports at Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana</li> </ul>	394,693
<b>Total number of laboratory tests</b>	975,969
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People who met the PUI criteria</li> </ul>	548,559
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From the active case finding</li> </ul>	15,834
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Returnees under state quarantine</li> </ul>	81,676
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People who did not meet the PUI criteria</li> </ul>	329,900
<b>Total number of people who met the criteria of patients under investigation (PUI)</b>	548,559
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Detected from ports of entry</li> </ul>	3,716
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (165,751 cases in private hospitals, and 379,004 cases in public hospitals)</li> </ul>	544,755
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao</li> </ul>	88

### 3. Thailand Precautions

- The organizer of the “Bao Khao Kho” concert which will be held at Khao Kho, Phetchabun, on January 15, 2021, announced that the said concert will be postponed indefinitely and those who reserved the tickets will receive their refund within 7 days.
- Yala province issued the COVID-19 surveillance and preventive measures for the festival period by emphasizing that all related government agencies to strictly comply with the Ministry of Public Health’s measures for mass gathering events and the disease control operations centers at all levels to increase the frequency of field investigation and patrol.
- The Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) and Locanation company had jointly created a platform regarding the information on Alternate State Quarantine called ASQ Paradise to help foreign travelers from overseas to search the list of hotels that meet the ASQ standards through [www.asq.locanation.com](http://www.asq.locanation.com)
- The Royal Thai Police commanded all it concerned agencies especially those in the areas bordered to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the Kingdom of Cambodia to integrate cooperation with various agencies to set up checkpoints and interception points to prevent illegal immigration and conduct disease screening by strictly adhering to regulations, law and public health principle.
- The Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) confirmed that the new year celebration events can be arranged but all organizers must carry out strict public health measures in order not to repeat mistakes like the terminated events.

### 4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

Today, most of the COVID-19 new cases in Thailand are detected at the quarantine facilities. However, a case was detected at the disease control port. Moreover, new cases were also found among travellers that were seated close to each other on the same flight. Cases were also found in the transit flights last week. Therefore, strict measures must be implemented to decrease the risk of in-flight infection spreading. Moreover, cases were also found among travelers entering Thailand from Tachileik township of Myanmar who had not been quarantined both those who already entered and were about to enter the country. So, concerned agencies have to provide information regarding the channels and procedures for travelers who would like to return to Thailand including the state quarantine regime and advise travelers who already entered the country to contact the officers, receive disease screening and get sample collection for laboratory tests.