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Thailand situation update on 15 January 2021

1.International Situation

	Total Number	Increased Number	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	93,597,148	+763,292	
Deaths	2,003,917		2.14%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	188
Cases found in the quarantine facilities centers (Imported)	21
 Cases found outside the quarantine facilities centers (Imported) 	13
Cases were infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	81
Cases found from active case finding	73
Total number of confirmed cases	11,450
Cases found in the quarantine facilities centers (Imported)	1,650
Cases found outside the quarantine facilities centers (Imported)	596
Cases were infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	5,944
Cases found from active case finding	3,260
Total number of confirmed cases	11,450
 Total recovered and discharged from hospitals New recovered and discharged from hospitals 	8,288 (72.38%) 628
Undergoing treatment	3,093 (27.02%)
 Deaths New deaths 	69 (0.60%) 0



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Type of Screened People and PUI	Total Number
Total number	
Ports of entry (Airport, Ground port and Seaport)	7,617,082
 People who renew their passports at Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	422,027
Total number of laboratory tests	1,223,867
People who met the PUI criteria	796,457
From the active case finding	15,834
Returnees under quarantine facilities centers	81,676
People who did not meet the PUI criteria	329,900
Total number of people who met the criteria of patients under investigation (PUI)	796,457
Detected from ports of entry	3,866
 Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (213,551 cases in private hospitals, and 578,952 cases in public hospitals) 	792,503
 Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao 	88

Remark: *PUI (Patients Under Investigation)

3. Thailand Implementations

- The Department of Health, Ministry of Public health, advised 3 steps of handling of parcel delivery during work from home; 1) ask the delivery man to drop the parcel or hang it in front of the house and avoid to receive it directly, 2) clean the parcel with alcohol or disinfectants, and 3) wash hands immediately with water and soap at least 20-minutes after finish opening of the parcel. This should be done with the measures recommended by the Ministry of Public Health.
- The Ministry of Labor informed employers and establishments, according to the Cabinet's resolution, to submit the list of migrant workers of 3 nationalities (Cambodia, Laos, and Myanmar) they would like to employ. In addition, migrant workers can register their personal information via the online system via the



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website e-workpermit.doe.go.th from 15 January - 13 February 2021 to alleviate the problem of employer's labor shortage and prevent the spread of coronavirus disease 2019.

 The State Railway of Thailand (SRT), Ministry of Transport, established screening measures for cross-provincial travel from the maximum and strict control area in 5 provinces (Samut Sakhon, Chon Buri, Rayong, Chanthaburi and Trat) that cross-provincial travel is prohibited. In case of necessity, the persons must show documents (From Tor. 8 - Kor Kor/SRT) and a permission letter on traveling out of the province before buying any transportation tickets or during the travel..

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

According to the COVID-19 pandemic, the global community has paid attention to vaccination against COVID-19 in terms of efficacy, effectiveness and safety, Although there are many candidate vaccines and vaccine manufacturers have revealed the research findings that their vaccines can protect from this disease with side effects ranging from mild to severe. Currently, there is still a need to follow the long-term results of the vaccines. Moreover, in order to reduce the disease severity and to prevent deaths, it has been estimated that the vaccination coverage must be as high as 60-70% of the world population or equal to a billion doses of vaccines.

Currently, everyone can prevent the infection by applying the **D-M-H-T Measures** to strictly prevent COVID-19 pandemic, i.e., **D: Distancing space** between each other **M: Mask wearing H: Hand washing T: Testing body temperature** before entering places and events. If everyone cooperates and follows the measures which will help reduce the risk up to 90%. This had been demonstrated clearly during the first wave of outbreaks that personal hygiene along with the lockdown of risk places, work from home, and reduced social gatherings, were very effective measures that control the outbreaks within 3 months. However, without these measures, outbreaks tend to continue for a year or more.