

Thailand situation update on 2 March 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	115,034,771	343,382	
Deaths	22,551,383		2.22%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	42
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	3
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	0
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	35
• Cases found from active case finding	4
Total number of confirmed cases	26,073
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,179
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,789
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	23,284
• Cases found from active case finding	14,557
Total number of confirmed cases	26,073
• Total recovered and discharged from hospitals - Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	25,420 (97.50%) 96
• Undergoing treatment	569 (2.82%)
• Deaths - New deaths	84 (0.32%) 1

Type of Screened People and PUI	Total Number
Total number	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports) 	7,907,392
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	467,734
Total number of laboratory tests	1,568,978
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who met the PUI criteria 	1,141,568
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From active case finding 	15,834
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Returnees in quarantine facilities/centers 	81,676
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who did not meet the PUI criteria 	329,900
Total number of people who met the criteria of PUI	1,141,568
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detected from ports of entry 	4,387
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (279,098 cases in private hospitals, and 857,995 cases in public hospitals) 	1,137,093
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao 	88

Remark: *PUI (Patients Under Investigation)

3. Thailand Implementations

- Pathum Thani province, Governor ordered the closure measure at locations that are at risk of the spread of COVID-19 including factories, building offices, dormitories or residence areas for workers and the areas of Preecha Inter Food Company limited for 14 days. Emergency Operation Center at District level, local administrative sectors and owner business/ premises have been assigned to conduct cleaning spray disinfectant in the risk places.
- Tak Province, the Director of Mae Sot Hospital said about receiving 5,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine arrived at the Mae Sot Hospital. The first prioritization to be administered the vaccine is hospital staff and vulnerable groups along the borders. The vaccine will be distributed to Phop Phra Hospital and Mae Ramat Hospital which both hospitals are very high-risk areas. The first lot of vaccine recipients include the Advisor to the Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Public Health, the Provincial Chief of Medical Officer and the Deputy Chief of Medical Health Officer of Tak Provincial Public Health Office, the Director of Mae Sot Hospital and Mae Sot District Public Health Office.

- The Director General of the Department of Disease Control provided the information about the issuing of vaccine passports to the people who received two doses of COVID -19 vaccine in accordance with the Communicable Diseases Act 2015. Since the issuing of the approved vaccine passport or vaccine certificate will be under the responsibility of the government sectors, therefore, if anyone would like to receive the official vaccine passport or certificate for travelling abroad or conducting other important businesses, they are able to ask for the said approved document at the Department of Disease Control. Normally, the Department of Disease Control will assign the Division of International Disease Control Ports and the Provincial Public Health Office to issue the vaccine certificate. Nevertheless, if there are a large number of requests for the vaccine certificate in the future, the Department of Disease Control may assign the Director of each hospital to issue the certificate.
- The Director of the Peace Development Center, Royal Thai Armed Forces found the number of military mechanics who operated the 1st shift in South Sudan were infected with COVID-19 after returning to Thailand. However, there are currently no military mechanics in the 2nd shift who were infected with COVID-19. By this time, the Royal Thai Armed Forces is in the process of coordinating with the Department of Disease Control to request for the vaccination of the COVID-19 for a total of 272 military mechanics who are on duty in the 2nd shift.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

From the COVID-19 Situation in Thailand on March 2, 2020, 39 new cases were reported. Of those, 23 cases were asymptomatic. 24 cases were found in Samut Sakhon, eight cases in Pathum Thani, four cases in Tak, one case was found in Bangkok, Nonthaburi, and Nakhon Pathom. Close contact history with confirmed cases (56.4%) and visits at markets where reported confirmed cases (20.5%) still are the risk factors. Moreover, in crowded places in communities such as markets, and factories have a chance to find positive cases from close contact with asymptomatic cases who visit those areas.

To reduce the risk of COVID-19 spread, individuals must wear a face mask/ cloth mask wash hands often, avoid travel to crowded places if not necessary, check-in and out with Thai Chana platform or Mor Chana, closely monitoring the situation. 14 days of self-monitoring if individuals had visited places where reported the confirmed cases. If individuals have a fever, cough, runny nose, loss of smell, and loss of taste, they should seek medical attention immediately.