

Thailand situation update on 5 March 2021

## 1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
<b>Confirmed cases</b>	116,291,225	471,197	
<b>Deaths</b>	2,583,167		2.22%

## 2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
<b>Total number of new cases</b>	<b>79</b>
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	12
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	22
• Cases found from active case finding	43
<b>Total number of confirmed cases</b>	<b>26,241</b>
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,207
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,823
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	23,418
• Cases found from active case finding	14,616
<b>Total number of confirmed cases</b>	<b>26,241</b>
• Total recovered and discharged from hospitals - Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	25,641 (97.71%) 79
• Undergoing treatment	515 (1.97%)
• Deaths - New deaths	85 (0.32%) 0

Type of Screened People and PUI	Total Number
<b>Total number</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports)</li> </ul>	7,927,868
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana</li> </ul>	473,034
<b>Total number of laboratory tests</b>	1,583,706
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People who met the PUI criteria</li> </ul>	1,156,296
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From active case finding</li> </ul>	15,834
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Returnees in quarantine facilities/centers</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 PUI</b>	1,156,296
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Detected from ports of entry</li> </ul>	4,406
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sought medical services on their own at hospitals ( 280,780 cases in private hospitals, and 871,022 cases in public hospitals)</li> </ul>	1,151,802
<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

Remark: \*PUI (Patients Under Investigation)

### 3. Thailand Implementations

- The Director of Division of Epidemiology, DDC, MoPH stated that from 28 February 2021 to present, there were 17,697 people who received the COVID-19 vaccine including 15,981 Medical/ Public Health officers, 1,603 staff taking care of patients, 22 people with underlying diseases and 91 people residing in risk areas. From those 17,697 people, there were 270 people (1.5 % of people receiving the vaccine) who showed some side effects including swelling and pain at the injection site (24%), nausea (15%), dizziness (13%), and Muscle aches (8%). One-third of people receiving the vaccine shows some mild side effects, not the severe ones. This occurrence of side effects is lower than the expectation.
- The Thai government has announced an additional evacuation flight for Thai people who want to leave Myanmar. In the beginning, the Royal Thai Embassy arranged only one flight on March 16, 2021, but an additional relief flight back to Thailand will be arranged on March 12, 2021, as well. Those passengers who intend to return on March 12, 2021, they can request the purpose by March 5, 2021, and on March 16, 2021, for the passengers leaving on March 16, 2021.

- The Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA), the Secretary-General of the National Security Council revealed that CCSA is considering the relaxing measures during the Songkran festival and for the people who will be entering Thailand. Above two big issues that are currently being undertaken as a gift for Thai people. The Prime Minister ordered the CCSA to consider those issues by using appropriate approaches that have to wait for the Ministry of Public Health to assess the situation carefully. There will be a clear conclusion in the mid of March 2021.

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

According to the COVID-19 vaccination among health personnel, public health volunteers, staff taking care of patients, people with underlying diseases and people residing in risk areas between February 28 and March 4, 2021, in 13 provinces including, Chiang Mai, Tak (Mae Sot District), Nonthaburi, Pathum Thani, Samut Sakhon, Samut Songkhram, Ratchaburi, Nakorn Pathom, Samut Prakan, Chonburi, Phuket, Surat Thani (Koh Samui District), and Bangkok. Of those, 17,697 persons received the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine (0.102 doses per 100 persons) which has not reached to the herd immunity.

Therefore, the local people including staff personnel, officers and vaccinated individuals are still at risk of infection. A second dose of vaccination and time for the vaccine to build up immunity need to be required to reduce the risk. The local people and vaccinated individuals must strictly comply with self-protection measures by keeping distances between others or limiting the number of people in the areas. Wearing face masks or cloth masks all times, frequently washing hands after touching objects that may be contaminated by the disease, such as elevators, doorknobs, handrails, etc.