

The Coronavirus Disease 2019 Situation

by Emergency Operations Center, Department of Disease Control

Thailand situation update on 21 March 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	123,491,118	535,832	
Deaths	2,723,088		2.21%

2.The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	90
Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	9
Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	0
Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	45
Cases found from active case finding	36
Total number of confirmed cases	27,803
Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,350
Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	627
Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	9,378
Cases found from active case finding	15,448
Total number of confirmed cases	27,803
Total recovered and discharged from hospitals Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	26,598 (95.67%) 86
Undergoing treatment	1,115 (4.01%)
Deaths New deaths	90 (0.32%) 0



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Type of Screened People and PUI	Total Number
Total number	
Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports)	8,045,056
People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana	489,176
Total number of laboratory tests	1,659,595
People who met the PUI criteria	1,232,185
From active case finding	15,834
Returnees in quarantine facilities/centers	81,676
People who did not meet the PUI criteria	329,900
Total number of people who met the criteria of PUI	1,232,185
Detected from ports of entry	4,710
Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (289,295 cases in private hospitals, and 938,092 cases in public hospitals)	1,227,387
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 anti-fake news center confirmed that the news about 300 cases of COVID-19 infected inside Wat Sangkhathan is false information. The fact has been verified by the Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health that in January 2021, the disease control team together with the administrative division of Muang Nonthaburi district visited the temple to screen and collect samples for COVID-19 testing only. The anti-fake news center urged people not to be convinced and asked for cooperation not to send or share this false information.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

The global situation of infection revealed more than 123 million cumulative cases, with the number of daily cases showing slightly higher since mid- February 2021, especially in Europe and South America but still at level below 500,000 people per day, the number of daily deaths tends to decline to below ten thousand people per day. Including all the deaths of more than 2.7 million people. Thailand 23,566 infected cases were found with the new outbreak, more than two-thirds of those reported by proactive screening. Most of which are



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foreign workers and the number of people infected daily in the country is likely to increase from last week a new cluster of people were found infected from the market in Bang Khae district and the detention center for foreigners (Bangkhen detention room) Immigration Office. Today, 90 new cases were reported, 36 cases found by active case finding in Samut Sakhon and 6 cases came from active screening in Bangkok. The number of cases have decreased. This shows that the outbreak is under control. However, it may still find the infection in central provinces during this week. Therefore, it should increase strict surveillance in the group of patients with respiratory symptoms and conduct proactive screening in the central provinces, especially in Bangkok and perimeter. It also needs to communicate with people to scale up preventive measures such as wearing masks, washing hands, avoiding unnecessary travel, particularly in crowded places and scan Thai Chana or Mor Chana Applications when travelling.