

Thailand situation update on 27 March 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	126,770,757	642,287	
Deaths	2,780,998		2.19%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	80
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	7
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	0
• Cases found in Thailand through the public health service system (Local transmission)	41
• Cases found from active case finding	32
Total number of confirmed cases	28,657
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,401
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	627
• Cases found in Thailand through the public health service system (Local transmission)	9,615
• Cases found from active case finding	16,014
Total number of confirmed cases	28,657
• Total recovered and discharged from hospitals	27,136 (94.69%)
- Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	104
• Undergoing treatment	1,428 (4.98%)
• Deaths	93 (0.33%)
- New deaths	1

Screening and PUI	Total Number
Total number of People Screened	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports) 	8,088,721
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	498,861
Total number of laboratory tests	1,682,259
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who met the PUI criteria 	1,254,885
<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	1,254,885
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detected from ports of entry 	4,758
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (292,085 cases in private hospitals, and 957,954 cases in public hospitals) 	1,250,039
<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

- The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Public Health gave an interview that the government has provided adequate COVID-19 vaccines for the risk groups of all Thai people and foreigners who belong to the country's risk areas. The vaccines can be administered to over 37 million people for free, covering the target population in the country. Yesterday, 270,500 doses of the vaccine were allocated to target areas. The Ministry of Public Health will adjust the vaccination plan by expanding the number of service units based on the number of vaccines received, to give people more access to vaccination.

- The Minister of Public Health, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Public Health and Deputy Governor of Bangkok visited the Nimmanoradee Temple area, Phasi Charoen District to follow up COVID-19 screening and vaccination services under the standards of the Ministry of Public Health. Vaccine recipients are observed for adverse reactions for 30 minutes after injection. The target group for vaccination includes vendors in the fresh market at Phasicharoen area and 2,000 people of that target group are to get free vaccination services from 26 - 28 March 2021 at Nimmanoradee Temple, Phasicharoen District, Bangkok.
- The Ministry of Public Health announced in a press conference that the situation in Samut Sakhon, Bangkok and suburban areas are still reporting new COVID-19 cases. Therefore, surveillance and disease control is continuing to be put in place. COVID-19 has so far not been reported in other provinces, but there is always the possibility of an infected case, so intense screening of people traveling from high-risk areas is still needed. Thailand aims to meet the COVID-19 vaccine target in which more hospitals will be prepared to support COVID-19 vaccination services. For example, 100 hospitals will be ready in April and 1,500 hospitals in July. If the vaccination services can be distributed to health promotion hospitals, it would accelerate the COVID-19 vaccination coverage.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

The COVID-19 situation report found that infected cases were being treated in 16 provinces, the same number as last week. Almost all of them are the same provinces as last week and some provinces have not reported infected cases in the last 7 days but are treating infected cases from other provinces. With the information analysis, means that there is still movement of infected cases. During the long holiday, the forecast predicts that there will be more traveling of people from the risk areas to their hometowns and the asymptomatic infected cases will have a higher chance of transmission to other people. Therefore, the people who need to travel to their hometowns should avoid staying in the risk area before traveling for at least 14 days, wear masks, and frequently wash hands. If people have a fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, anosmia or loss of taste, they need to see a doctor immediately.