

## Thailand situation update on 31 March 2021

### 1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
<b>Confirmed cases</b>	128,894,850	591,227	
<b>Deaths</b>	2,818,303		2.19%

### 2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
<b>Total number of new cases</b>	<b>48</b>
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	16
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	19
• Cases found from active case finding	5
<b>Total number of confirmed cases</b>	<b>28,863</b>
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,468
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	3,097
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	25,766
• Cases found from active case finding	16,062
<b>Total number of confirmed cases</b>	<b>28,863</b>
• Total recovered and discharged from hospitals	27,426 (95.02%)
- Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	47
• Undergoing treatment	1,343 (4.65%)
• Deaths	94 (0.33%)
- New deaths	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>	8,117,644
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana</li> </ul>	505,049
<b>Total number of laboratory tests</b>	1,699,841
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People who met the PUI criteria</li> </ul>	1,272,431
<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>	1,272,431
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Detected from ports of entry</li> </ul>	4,913
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sought medical services on their own at hospitals ( 294,042 cases in private hospitals, and 973,388 cases in public hospitals)</li> </ul>	1,267,430
<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 Minister of the Ministry of Culture said that the Cabinet meeting approved a guideline for organizing activities for the year 2021 Songkran Festival under the theme "Songkran, a new way, Inherit Thai culture" to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection. The activities will be organized as cultural heritage events including sprinkling scented water on the Buddha, offerings in a monk's alms bowl, entering a temple to listen to a sermon, pouring scented water on the hands of revered elders and blessing. Inviting to dress in polite clothes by using Thai or local fabrics. Activities involving large groups of people and close contact will be refrained and splashing water, abstaining from flaking and playing foam parties are not allowed as well.

The Department of Health Service Support under the Ministry of Public Health integrated the implementation with the project " all every Thai family has 3 their own doctors". The first doctor is the village health volunteers who will knock on the door of every house to provide the knowledge on COVID-19 vaccine. The main targeted group was changed from only the elderly who always stay in bed/ at home to the elderly aged more than 60 years and a group

of people with seven main underlying diseases. The village health volunteers will be well equipped with the knowledge on disease prevention and control including the vaccine.

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

From the delivery of COVID-19 vaccination in healthcare workers, public health volunteers, frontline officers who contact patients, people with underlying diseases between February 28 and March 30, 2021, 151,413 people received the first dose of vaccination and 29,064 people have been completed the second dose of COVID-19 vaccine in 13 provinces including Chiang Mai, Tal (Mae Sot district), Nonthaburi, Pathum Thani, Samut Sakhon, Samut Songkram, Ratchaburi, Nakhon Pathom, Samut Pakarn, Chonburi, Phuket, Suratthani (Koh Samui district), and Bangkok. Nevertheless, it is inadequate to raise herd immunity. Therefore, residents in the mentioned provinces and vaccinated people are still at risk of infection during a waiting period for the second dose and for the period of the stimulation of the immune system. People who received the vaccine and the residents must strictly practice the self-protection measures (D-M-H-T-T) by keeping space at least 1-2 meters away from others or limiting the number of people in the areas, wearing a face mask/cloth mask at all time, frequently washing hands after touching objects that may be contaminated, such as elevators, knobs, handrails, etc. Body temperature checks before entering any places, testing for COVID-19 infection if signs and symptoms are suspected with contact history. Lastly, Using “Thai-Cha-Na”/ “Mor-Cha-Na” mobile apps while checking in and out.