

Thailand situation update on 17 April 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	140,630,831	828,308	
Deaths	3,014,739		2.14%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	1,547
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	0
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission) 	1,316
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found from active case finding 	228
Total number of confirmed cases	40,585
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	2,603
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	3,232
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission) 	37,353
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found from active case finding 	19,980
Total number of confirmed cases	40,585
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total recovered and discharged from hospitals - Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals 	28,570 (70.40%) 90
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undergoing treatment 	11,916 (29.36%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deaths - New deaths 	99 (0.24%) 2

Type of Screened People and PUI	Total Number
Total number	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports) 	8,240,203
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	521,252
Total number of laboratory tests	1,837,443
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who met the PUI criteria 	1,410,033
<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	1,410,033
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detected from ports of entry 	4,982
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (315,623 cases in private hospitals, and 1,089,340 cases in public hospitals) 	1,404,963
<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 spokesperson of the Office of the Prime Minister gave an interview about the establishment of the field hospital that the Prime Minister has ordered all the government units to proceed in order to support the COVID-19 patients all over the country and to alleviate the hospitals burden by having patients with mild or no symptoms being treat in the field hospitals instead. Every agencies, for example, Ministry of Interior via the Provincial Governors, Ministry of Defense by all the departments, Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, and Bangkok Metropolitan Administration and neighbouring provinces were act accordingly by setting

up some field hospitals as according to the guidelines from the Department of Health Service Support, Ministry of Public Health. Moreover, there will be health volunteers to help in making the understanding that field hospitals are for the case that the number of COVID-19 patients exceed the hospital capacity otherwise they will not be operated. For the legal terms, field hospitals will be used for treating COVID-19 cases only. This is an exemption from the MEDICAL FACILITIES ACT which needs the Provincial Public Health Doctor's permission, and the places for stationed field hospitals must be from the agreement of the Provincial Communicable Disease Committee.

- Bangkok: The governor of Bangkok said BMA has issued measures according to the order of CCSA, which will take effect from midnight on 17 April or 18 April onwards for at least 14 days or longer. The measures include the closure of pubs, bars, karaoke, massage parlors and similar activities. All schools are closed except international schools, where examinations have to be held at the same time all over the world. However, the permission must be granted from The BMA Health Department.
- In organizing any activities, the participants must not exceed 50 people, an activity with participants more than 50 must ask for permission from the District Office or The BMA Health Department. Customers are allowed to sit and eat at the restaurants until 9:00 p.m., while selling take home food can be done until 11:00 p.m. Alcohol beverages can be sold, but are not allowed to be drunk in the store. Department store and community mall can open no later than 9:00 p.m. Arcade and convenience store can open at 04.00 a.m. and close at 11.00 p.m., gymnasiums, fitness centers are allowed to open until 9:00 p.m. However, all kinds of parties are not permitted. Private sectors will be asked for cooperation to apply a work from home policy or work in shifts.
- The Ministry of Interior: the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Interior issued a government document on April 16 to upgrade measures to control the spread of COVID-19 urgently which is effective from April 18, 2021. The important detail is that the Provincial Public Health Office together with the Security Department in the area and related agencies need to prepare a place to accommodate, isolate, or quarantine the infected person or people suspected of COVID-19 immediately. The educational institutions, universities, hotels, auditoriums, private venues or any other place that is suitable must be cooperated and prepared to support medical and public health personnel, drugs, medical supplies and equipment for diagnosis and treatment, and other necessary equipment in accordance with public health standards. All Institutions also need to comply with the requirements issued

under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree Public Administration in Strictly emergency situations. Public awareness of these requirements must be provided for entrepreneurs, employees, service providers, service recipients, people, and relevant government officials at all levels.

- Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) and its district offices across Bangkok announced the suspension of registration services during COVID-19 pandemic until the situation is resolved. The service is not available at the Bangkok Express Service, including the Bangkok Mobile Service. 1. No registration service to the public on Saturday in all cases except for birth-death notification 2. Some services are available such as preparing or improving the migrant registration for 3 nationalities on regular official days (Monday - Friday) from 4:00 PM - 6:00 pm. The number of service recipients should not be more than 30 persons/day. The system of online queue reservation called (BMAQ) is used in the management of service applicants and the online registration system called "Thai Chana" was implemented strictly.
- CP All Public Company Limited, the Managing Director (Co-position) and CP All Plc. (CPALL) said the Eleven and Seven Delivery has cooperated in implementing the measures of the government. It will open for service between 04.00 - 23.00 hours from April 18, 2021 until further notice. The company instructed all branches in 18 provinces to immediately prepare for providing service by strictly complying with the measures of the CCSA. The company also follows all preventive measures for the health and hygiene of its employees and customers.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

According to the COVID-19 vaccination data as of April 17 2021, a total of 605,259 doses had been vaccinated in 77 provinces, accounting for 1 percent of the total population, this number divided into 523,830 of first-dose vaccine recipients and 81,429 person who completed 2-dose vaccination based on the criteria. Most of which (50%) were medical personnel and staff who have the opportunity to closely contact the patients, followed by people living in the risk areas. The number of daily first dose vaccinations has slightly increased since the end of March. This is due to the provision of vaccines to additional areas but the vaccination will effectively stimulate the immune system only after people receive a full 2-dose vaccine, therefore those recipients who vaccinated the first dose should complete their second dose. In addition, the public should comply with the current preventive measures such as wearing masks, washing hands, social distance, etc., including measuring body temperature when traveling to different places, avoid traveling to vulnerable places and observing their symptoms yourself after entering a risky



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location. People should test for COVID -19 disease when suspected symptoms are present, scan Thai application "Mor Chana" to register in various locations, working at home. If infection is detected, medical treatment is required immediately in order to reduce the spread of infection.