

by Emergency Operations Center, Department of Disease Control

Thailand situation update on 19 April 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	142,055,229	681,341	
Deaths	3,034,172		2.14%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	1,390
Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	6
Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	0
Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	1,058
Cases found from active case finding	326
Total number of confirmed cases	43,742
Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,611
Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	3,240
Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	40,502
Cases found from active case finding	20,594
Total number of confirmed cases	43,742
Total recovered and discharged from hospitals Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	28,787 (65.81%) 104
Undergoing treatment	14,851 (33.95%)
Deaths New deaths	104 (0.24%) 3



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Type of Screened People and PUI	Total Number
Total number	
Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports)	8,252,225
People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana	523,419
Total number of laboratory tests	1,866,533
People who met the PUI criteria	1,439,123
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	1,439,123
Detected from ports of entry	4,986
Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (323,464 cases in private hospitals, and 1,110,585 cases in public hospitals)	1,434,049
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 Department of Disease Control prepared to open the field hospital with the capacity of 60 beds at Bamrasnaradura Infectious Diseases Institute to use in treating COVID-19 patients with mild or no symptoms. The field hospital will have doctors, nurses, and staffs stationized and if any patient's symptoms worsen those patients will then be referred to the hospital.
- The Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation announced measure to prevent the spreading of COVID-19 the inside higher educational institutes by ordering them to refrain from arranging classes and activities including examinations or any activities which will gather many people into one place and applying the online classes as well as adjusting the assessments method to be in accordance with the pandemic situation.



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Furthermore, the higher educational institutions and departments under the Ministry were told to avoid hosting events that involve more than 50 people, use the Work From Home policy and virtual meeting, and cooperate with local agencies in opening the field hospital or caring center for COVID-19 patients.

- The Government Pharmaceutical Organization disclosed that there are adequate stocks of drugs and medical equipment supporting the epidemic of COVID 19, including face masks, N95 masks and PPE suits. However, drugs are still needed to be supplied more. At least 3 million Favipiravir is needed. The drugs will gradually come in later this month to May. In addition, there is a need to procure 1,000 tubes of Remdesivir which is an alternative injectable drug for severe patients who cannot take Favipiravir.
- Chiang Mai Province: The Provincial Communicable Disease Committee agreed to divide the epidemic area into color zones in order to categorize the epidemic situation and limit its circle. Currently, 7 districts were added to the red zone: Mueang Chiang Mai District, San Sai District, San Kamphaeng District, Saraphi District, Hang Dong District, Mae Rim District, and Doi Saket District. The public was asked for cooperation to refrain from unnecessarily traveling.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

The global COVID-19 situation revealed a total of more than 142 million infected cases, with an increasing daily number since mid-February 2021 to more than 800,000 people per day. The daily deaths are still below 15,000 people per day. The total deaths are more than 3 million people. In Thailand, there have been 14,879 new cases of infection in the new wave. The number of daily infections in the country is still trending higher than last week when a disease spread to 77 provinces across the country. Most of the infected cases had a history of traveling to entertainment venues, pubs, karaoke, or had a history of contact with those who have traveled to the said location. Today there are 1,390 new cases in 65 provinces. Many new infected cases were found today in Bangkok, Chiang Mai, Chonburi and Samut Prakan. Therefore, it is important to intensify all surveillance measures in the group of symptomatic patients with same symptoms to the definition of proactive screening in provinces where a large number of cases is found. The disease investigation is also needed to find risk locations and factors as well as to communicate with the public to enhance disease prevention measures, such as wearing a mask, washing your hands frequently, and working at home if it is possible. All should reduce unnecessary travel, especially in places where a large number of people gather. People are requested to wear masks, wash their hands, apply social distance, avoid



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traveling to all vulnerable crowded locations and scan "Thai Chana" or "Mor Chana" application to register when travelling to all locations.