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Thailand situation update on 20 April 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	142,749,981	694,752	
Deaths	3,044,511		2.13%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	1,443
Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2
Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	0
Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	1,328
Cases found from active case finding	113
Total number of confirmed cases	45,185
Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,613
Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	629
Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	21,236
Cases found from active case finding	20,707
Total number of confirmed cases	45,185
Total recovered and discharged from hospitals Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	28,958 (64.09%) 171
Undergoing treatment	16,119 (35.67%)
Deaths New deaths	108 (0.24%) 4



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Type of Screened People and PUI	Total Number
Total number	
Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports)	8,258,388
People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana	525,334
Total number of laboratory tests	1,879,957
People who met the PUI criteria	1,452,547
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	1,452,547
Detected from ports of entry	4,986
Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (323,464 cases in private hospitals, and 1,124,009 cases in public hospitals)	1,447,473
Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao	88

Remark: *PUI (Patients Under Investigation)

3. Thailand Implementations

 Surat Thani province commanded the people in the province to wear hygienic masks or fabric masks at all times when traveling outside the home. Violating this measure is an offense under Section 51 of the Communicable Diseases Act, B.E. 2558 (2015) and the offenders must be fined not more than 20,000 baht, effective starting 20 April 2021.



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- Nonthaburi province issued the order to temporary close the following places and venues: 1) amulet centers and 2) swimming pools (including swimming pools of village and residential condominiums) and determined urgent disease control measures for fitness centers, which need to limit the number of customers, refrain from group exercises, training, and joining groups in steam rooms. This new order will be effective from 20 April 2021 onward.
- The Ministry of Public Health in collaboration with the University Hospital Network (UHOSNET), the Medical Service Department, Bangkok Metropolitan Administration and the Private Hospital Association have established a bed management center to accommodate COVID-19 patients and they opened at hotline at 1668 (20 phone lines) in addition to the hotline at 1669 and the hotline at 1330 by mobilizing healthcare professionals nationwide who volunteer to help answer the calls. Admission of patients for medical treatments are divided into three levels as follows:
- 1) Green level: patients with no symptoms or with mild symptoms, not elderly, and no other comorbidities will be treated at field hospitals or hospitals and monitored for symptoms everyday.
- 2) Yellow level: patients who have moderate symptoms
- 3) Red level: patients severely ill with COVID-19 who are treated in hospitals.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

The global situation of COVID-19 reflects that there have been more than 142 million confirmed cases. The increasing outbreak in India and the continuing outbreaks in the United States, Brazil, and Europe are causing the daily case numbers to increase to more than 800,000 cases per day since mid-February 2021. The number of deaths was still lower than 15,000 people per day and the total number of deaths was more than 3,000,000. The cumulative number of infections of the new outbreak wave in Thailand is 16,322 cases. It has spread to 77 provinces across the country. The daily infection cases are likely to increase from last week. Most of the infected cases visited entertainment venues, pubs, karaoke bars, or had contact with those who visited those locations. Today, there are 1,443 new cases of COVID-19 in 68 provinces. The provinces that found many infected cases of COVID-19 are Bangkok, Chiang Mai, Chonburi and Samut Prakan. Therefore, the provinces should increase surveillance among patients with symptoms that



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correspond with the definition, continue active case finding, investigate risk locations and risk factors, communicate with people to improve disease prevention measures like wearing face masks, washing hands, working from home, reducing unnecessary travel especially in high risk areas that have large numbers of people and scan in with the Thai Chana or Morchana application when traveling.