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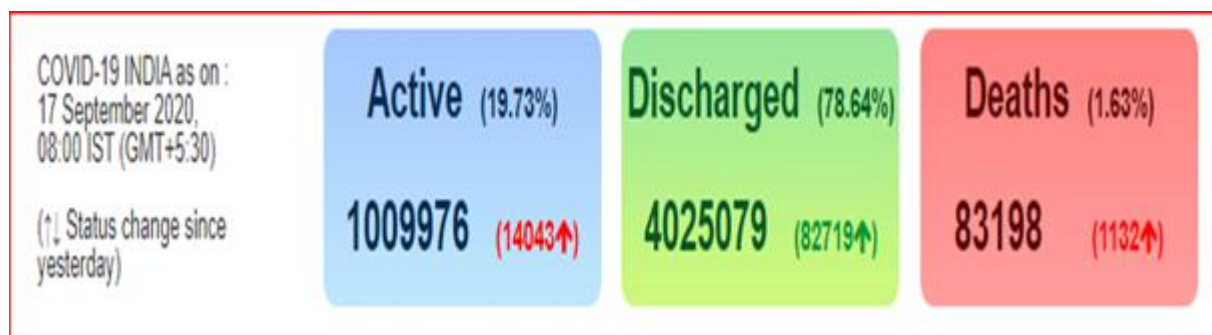
PIB'S DAILY BULLETIN ON COVID-19

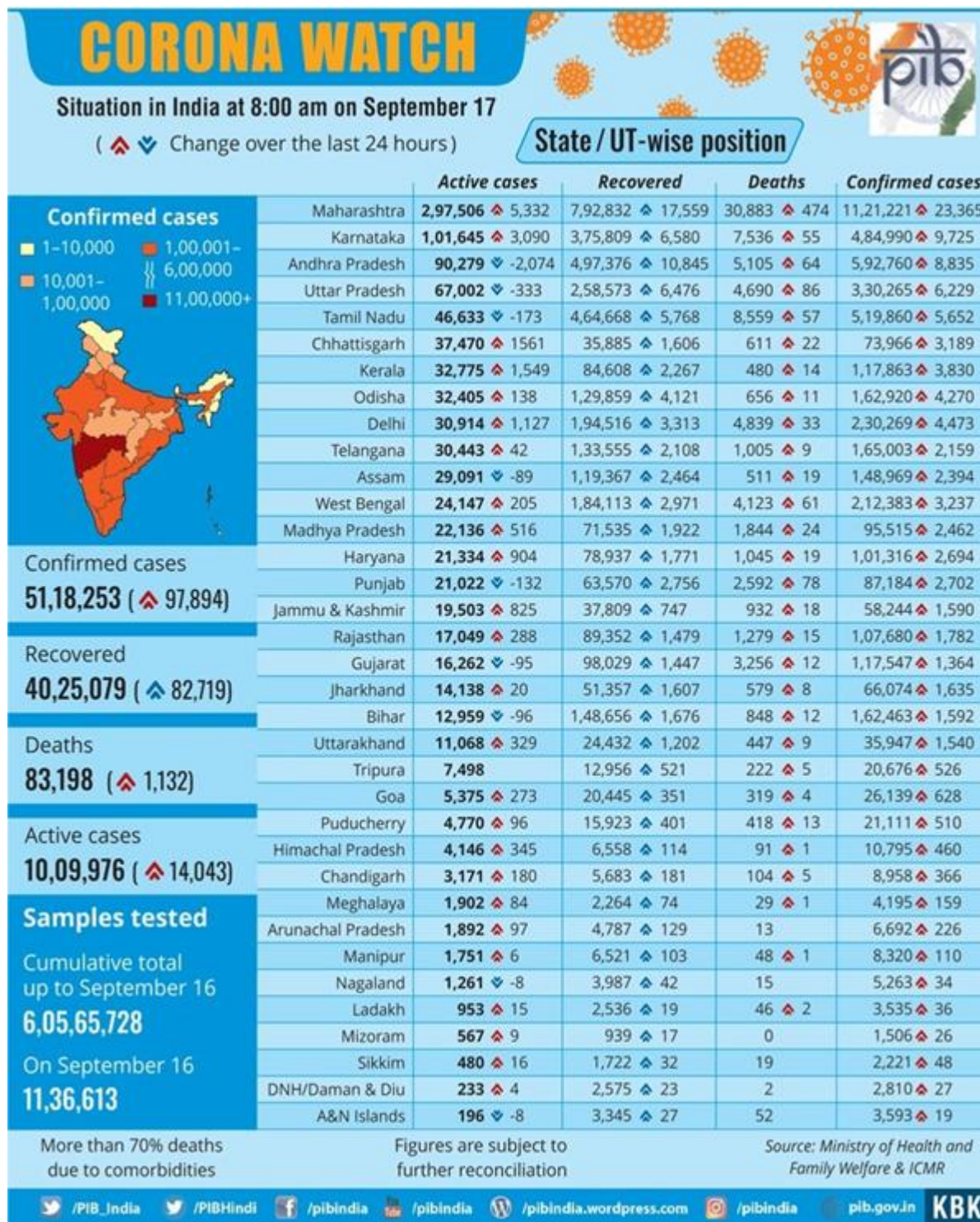
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(Contains Press releases concerning Covid-19, issued in last 24 hours, inputs from PIB Field Offices and Fact checks undertaken by PIB).

- 82,961 patients cured of COVID in the last 24 hours, taking Recovery Rate to 78.64%
- More than 40 lakh (40,25,079) patients have recovered so far
- Total number of active cases in the country has crossed 10 lakhs (10,09,976) as on date
- Close to half (48.45%) of the Active Cases are concentrated in 3 States- Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh
- Number of Janaushadhi Kendras to be increased to 10500 by March 2024
- State/UTs advised to provide Food Security Allowance comprising of food grains, pulses, oil etc (equivalent to cooking cost) to all eligible children till such time, as their schools are closed due to the pandemic





India records more than 82,000 Recoveries for two days in a row, Total Recoveries cross 40 lakhs, Recovered Cases exceed Active Cases by more more than 30 lakhs

India has been registering very high recoveries for two consecutive days. More than 82,000 COVID patients have been cured and discharged in the past two days. **82,961** active cases were found free of COVID in the last 24 hours. Spurred by this number of very high recoveries, the national Recovery Rate continues to follow its rising curve. It stands at **78.64% today**. More than 40 lakh (**40,25,079**) patients have recovered so far. Recovered cases have exceeded Active Cases today by more than **30 lakhs (30,15,103)** today, and are four times the latter. These high levels of recovery have resulted in a 100% increase in the number of recovered cases in the past 30 days. Maharashtra (**17,559**) contributed more

than one-fifth of the new recoveries (**21.22%**) while the States of Andhra Pradesh (10,845), Karnataka (6580), Uttar Pradesh (6476) and Tamil Nadu (5768) contributed **35.87%** of the new recoveries. These States together account for **57.1%** of total new recoveries. The total number of active cases in the country has crossed 10 lakhs (**10,09,976**) as on date. **Close to half (48.45%)** of the Active Cases are concentrated in 3 States; Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. Together with the States of Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu, these 5 states contribute **nearly 60%** of the total active cases. **1132** case fatalities have been reported in the past 24 hours. With 474 new cases of mortality in, Maharashtra accounted for more than 40% of the new deaths. The following four States of Uttar Pradesh (86), Punjab (78), Andhra Pradesh (64), West Bengal (61) contributed 25.5% of the fatalities in the last 24 hours.

For details:

Govt. has set a target to increase the number of Janaushadhi Kendras to 10500 by the end of March 2024

Union Minister for Chemicals & Fertilizers Shri D V Sadananda Gowda has said that with a vision to provide quality medicines at affordable rates for the common men especially the poor, Govt. of India has set a target to increase the number of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJK) to 10500 by the end of March 2024. The PMBJKs are being set up by Bureau of Pharma PSUs of India under Deptt of Pharmaceuticals (M/o C& F). With this, all the districts in the country will have Janaushadhi kendras. This will ensure easy reach of affordable medicines to the people in every nook and corner of the country. As on 15 September 2020 the number of stores in the country has increased to 6603. With approved budget of Rs. 490 crore for the period 2020-21 to 2024- 25, PMBJP Scheme has drastically brought down the prices of quality medicines and making them available to a large section of population, especially the poor.

For details:

To guarantee accessibility of necessary medical devices at genuine cost NPPA extends ceiling prices of Knee Implants till 14th September 2021

To ensure accessibility of necessary medical devices to the common man at genuine cost ,drug price regulator, National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) under the Department of Pharmaceuticals ,Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers has extended ceiling prices of Knee Implants for another one year, i.e. till 14th September 2021. This will enable to save 1500 crore Rupees of the common men

For details:

Measures for welfare of Pensioners during COVID-19

Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, DrJitendra Singh said in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today that several measures have been taken for the benefit of pensioners during COVID-19. The Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare, ever since the lockdown due to unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, has been taking various initiatives for the pensioners, to ensure the timely credit of pension & retirement benefits and keep them healthy and aware during this time of COVID-19 pandemic.

For details:

Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on Anganwadis across the Country.

As per the directions issued by Ministry of Home Affairs, all the Anganwadi Centres across the country were closed to limit the impact of COVID-19. During the consultation held with States/UTs in the month of July 2020, most of the States had also expressed their inability to open Anganwadi Centres in the light of increasing incidents of COVID-19. However, to ensure continuous nutritional support to Anganwadi beneficiaries, Anganwadi Workers and Helpers have been distributing supplementary Nutrition at the doorsteps of the beneficiaries. Further, WCD Ministry has issued necessary directions to the States/UTs to ensure distribution of food items and nutrition support by Anganwadi workers, once in 15 days, at the doorstep of beneficiaries. In addition, Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers have been assisting the local administration in community surveillance, creating awareness or other works assigned to them from time to time. This information was given in a written reply by the Union Minister of Women and Child Development Smt. SmritiZubinIrani in RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Ministry of Education has taken several initiatives to ensure studies of school going children during COVID-19 pandemic

During COVID-19 Pandemic, Ministry of Education has held several consultations with the states and UTs at various levels and taken many initiatives to ensure that the school going students don't lag behind in their studies during COVID-19 pandemic which include **PM eVIDYA** unifying all efforts related to digital/online/on-air education to enable multi-mode access to education. A week-wise plan for grades 1 to 12 has been developed in three languages by NCERT. **PRAGYATA Guidelines on Digital Education** have been developed with a focus on online/blended/digital education for students who are presently at home due to the closure of schools. 'MANODARPAN' covers a wide range of activities to provide psychosocial support to students, teachers and families for Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing during the COVID outbreak and beyond. This information was given by the Union Minister for Human Resource Development, Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' in a written reply in the RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Steps taken by Government to support tribal communities during Covid pandemic

Ministry of Tribal Affairs has constituted a team of officers to prepare the roadmap and take necessary measures for implementation/realization of initiatives to restore growth in the economy after the Covid-19 Pandemic. MoTA also revised the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Minor Forest Produce (MFP). To provide a fillip to the Income generating activities of tribals through MFP Procurements, revised MSP for MFP guidelines were issued on May 1 2020, which increased the MSP prices of the MFPs and helped in providing higher incomes for the tribal gatherers. Moreover, on May 26, 2020, the MoTA also added 23 new items under the MSP for MFP list taking the total number of MFPs under the scheme to 73. These items include agricultural and horticultural produce collected by tribal gatherers. The COVID response team of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs formulated a COVID-19 Pandemic response plan for Scheduled Tribe livelihood and Health. The same has been circulated among various stakeholders for necessary action. States/UTs have been asked to utilize the funds from State TSP as well as submit a comprehensive proposal on these lines under various schemes of this Ministry. This information was given by Union Minister of State for Tribal Affairs Smt. Renuka Singh Saruta in a written reply in RajyaSabha today.

For details:**Supply of Meals to Students during the Lockdown**

State Governments and UT Administrations have been advised to provide Food Security Allowance (FSA) comprising of foodgrains, pulses, oil etc (equivalent to cooking cost) to all eligible children till such time as their schools are closed due to the pandemic. The modalities for this purpose are decided by the respective States and UTs, according to the prevailing circumstances. States and UTs have also been advised to take necessary precautionary measures in view of the situation caused by COVID-19. This information was given in a written reply by the Union Minister of Women and Child Development Smt. SmritiZubinIrani in RajyaSabha today.

For details:**Domestic Violence against Women during Lockdown Period**

As per the information received from National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) for the period from April 2020 to June 2020, legal aid and assistance has been provided in 2878 domestic violence cases and petition has been filed in 452 cases under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 (PWDVA). 694 cases have been resolved through counselling/ mediation. The Ministry issued its advisory dated 25.03.2020 to ensure that during the nationwide lockdown, its One Stop Centres (OSCs) under One Stop Centre Scheme and Women Helplines (WHL) under the Universalisation of Women Helpline Scheme (through toll free telephonic short code 181) which support women on matters pertaining to safety, remain operational. In the same advisory, Protection Officers under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 and 'Dowry Prohibition Officers' under the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 were also directed to continue their services related to providing protection and support to women affected by violence during the lockdown. This information was given in a written reply by the Union Minister of Women and Child Development, Smt. SmritiZubinIrani in RajyaSabha today.

For details:**Steps to Revive Aviation Industry amid Covid-19 Pandemic**

All efforts have been made to reduce the impact of the pandemic on the aviation sector. Due to COVID-19 pandemic, domestic air services have been restarted in a calibrated manner. Initially only one third of the summer schedule 2020 was allowed to be operated which was subsequently increased to 45% on 26 Jun 2020 and then to 60% on 02 Sep 2020. Operation of Regional Connectivity Scheme- UDAN flights were allowed without the above-mentioned restrictions. Exclusive air-links or Air Bubbles have been established with countries which include Afghanistan, Bahrain, Canada, France, Germany, Qatar, Maldives, UAE, UK and USA. These are temporary arrangements aimed at restarting international passenger services while regular international flights remain suspended due to COVID-19. Adequate care was taken to ensure that cargo terminals at all major airports were operational, whenever required. This information was given in a written reply by Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of State (I/C) Civil Aviation, in LokSabha today.

For details:**Details of Indians Repatriated Under Vande Bharat Mission**

Vande Bharat Mission consists of special repatriation flights operated by Indian carriers and chartered flights operated by both Indian and foreign carriers. As per information provided by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), as on 31.08.2020, a total of 5817 flights (inbound to India) were operated to repatriate Indian nationals. This information was given in a written reply by Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of State (I/C), Civil Aviation in RajyaSabha yesterday.

For details:

Measures taken by Government for athletes and coaches during Covid-19 pandemic

As far as players and coaches supported by Sport Authority of India (SAI), no financial curtailment has been done. Further, during the lockdown period, players have been provided with the facilities to continue their training. This information was given by Union Minister of State (IC) for Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri KirenRijiju in a written reply in LokSabha today.

For details:

36th National Games allotted to Goa postponed due to Covid-19 pandemic

The 36th National Games allotted to Goa, which was scheduled from 20.10.2020 to 04.11.2020, had been postponed due to outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic. Central assistance of Rs.97.80 crore has been released to the Government of Goa for creation / development of sports infrastructure for 36th National Games. This information was given by Union Minister of State (IC) for Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri KirenRijiju in a written reply in LokSabha today.

For details:

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- Chandigarh: The Administrator, UT Chandigarh, expressed satisfaction that the vulnerable senior citizens in Chandigarh have mostly followed the guidelines and stayed indoors. He appealed to the all residents to maintain self-restraint and not to come out, unless absolutely necessary. The Administrator stated that the onus is now on the residents to keep themselves safe by strictly following COVID protocol. He also directed for more IEC activities for making the citizens aware of the hygienic practices and mask wearing.
- Punjab: To amplify the supply of oxygen in government medical colleges & hospitals, Punjab Medical Education and Research Minister has directed the principals of the three government medical colleges of the state to strengthen the supply chain and make the inventory of 200 cylinders during all times. He instructed the oxygen suppliers on telephone to ensure smooth supply of the gas to the hospitals.
- Himachal Pradesh: The state government has allowed to open bars in the state from 15 September, 2020 with the conditions that all the norms and Standard Operating Procedure (SOPs) specified by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs have to be followed properly. As per the order, no liquor will be sold without social distancing and they will have to keep sanitizers and provision for thermal scanning. Hand wash and sanitizer would be made at all entry points besides ensuring regular health checkups of all the staff to monitor the ILI symptoms.
- Arunachal Pradesh: In Arunachal Pradesh, 221 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 129 persons were discharged. Active 1892 active and total discharged 4787 with 13 death.

- Assam: In Assam, 2394 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 2464 people discharged yesterday, active 29091 and total discharged patients 119364. Total cases 148968 and deaths 511.
- Manipur: In Manipur, 110 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 103 recoveries with 78 percent recovery rate. There are 1751 active cases. Total death 48.
- Nagaland: In Nagaland, 43 new positive cases detected today and 111 recoveries reported. District Hospital Dimapur to resume non-COVID services from Sept 21.
- Maharashtra: Maharashtra's COVID-19 tally spiked to 11.21 lakhs with the single-day addition of 23,365 new cases on Wednesday according to the bulletin released by the State Health Department. With 474 deaths during the day, the total death count in the state mounted to 30,883. Meanwhile, State Health Minister Rajesh Tope said the spurt in COVID-19 cases was due to the way the unlocking process was undertaken and also people not following stipulated norms. In a related development, the Pune Municipal Corporation (PMC) has decided to send three-member squads to check shops and markets, in an effort to crack down on commercial establishments that have not implemented preventive measures against Covid infection on their premises.
- Gujarat: The Gujarat government has reduced the charges of RT-PCR test for Covid-19 in private laboratories. RT-PCR test will now cost Rs. 1,500 in private laboratories instead of the existing Rs. 2,500. The charges will be Rs. 2,000 if the sample is collected from home. Gujarat has reported record 1,364 new cases of Covid-19 during the last 24 hours. The total cases in the state have gone up past 1.17 lakhs, while the number of active cases is 16,294.
- Chhattisgarh: 3189 new positive cases have been identified on Wednesday, which takes the state COVID-19 tally to 73,966, while there are 37,470 active cases in Chhattisgarh at present. With the discharge of 689 patients after recovery from various hospitals, the count of total recoveries has gone up to 30,611.
- Kerala: The state government has decided to correct the notification allowing migrant labourers with Covid-19 to work if they are asymptomatic. The order allowing asymptomatic migrant labourers to work in exclusively marked zones has triggered a controversy following a section of doctors opposing the move. Meanwhile, for the fifth consecutive day today, Covid protocols went for a toss across the state following violent protests by various political outfits demanding Minister KT Jaleel's resignation. In many places, police resorted to lathicharge and used water cannons to disperse the protesters. Kerala recorded the highest single-day spike of 3,830 Covid cases yesterday. At present, there are 32,709 patients still undergoing treatment and a total of 2,11,037 persons are under observation across the state. The death toll is now 480.
- Tamil Nadu: High Court orders notice to State in PIL plea challenging e-pass system as Centre's guidelines said the States must not restrict movement. Media reports that a part of an internal report compiled by the Health and Family Welfare Department in Tamil Nadu shows discrepancies in State's Covid-19 data which is publicly available and those present in the report; State's Health Secretary J. Radhakrishnan attributes it to duplicate entries. State reported 5,652 fresh Covid cases and 57 fatalities yesterday. Case tally climbs to 5,19,860; 5,768 persons discharged; Chennai recorded 983 fresh infections.
- Karnataka: Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa said the State government will give Rs 39,300 crore financial assistance for agricultural and non-agricultural activities under various State and Central government programmes this year. BBMP issued notice to 36 private hospitals which have not provided 50% of beds as per government order.

- Andhra Pradesh: The State Department of School Education has issued guidelines on opening schools following the Unlock 4.0 directives issued by the Central Government in the wake of Covid-19. With this, the respective departments of government are focusing on opening schools in their area from Sept 21. Only public, private and aided educational institutions outside the 'Containment' zones will be opened. About 50 per cent of the teachers can attend for online teaching, tele-counseling, education, etc. In the state assembly a total of 157 employees have been confirmed corona positive so far, with 18 people contracting the virus on Wednesday.
- Telangana: 2159 new cases, 2108 recoveries & 09 deaths reported in the last 24 hours in the State; out of 2159 cases, 318 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,65,003; Active cases: 30,443; Deaths: 1005; Discharges :1,33,555. The monsoon session of Telangana State Legislative Council and the assembly was adjourned sine die on Wednesday to ensure safety of MLCs, MLAs, legislature staff, and police personnel amid the spread of Covid-19.

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- Maharashtra alone contributes about a quarter of the new recoveries; Recoveries 4 times number the Active Cases
- There are 9,95,933 active cases in the country as on date, including 90,123 reported in the last 24 hours
- Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package Insurance Scheme for Health Workers Fighting COVID-19 extended for another 6 months
- Total mandays employment generated in six States under Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan is 27,21,17240 with an expenditure of Rs 23559.20 crore.

COVID-19 INDIA as on :
16 September 2020,
08:00 IST (GMT+5:30)

(↑↓ Status change since
yesterday)

Active (19.84%)

995933 (5872↑)

Discharged (78.53%)

3942360 (82961↑)

Deaths (1.63%)

82066 (1290↑)



India Registers the Highest Single day Recoveries, A Record High of 82,961 cured of COVID in the last 24 hours

India continues to record a spate of very high recoveries. In the last 24 hours, **82,961** COVID patients were cured, steeply pushing the Recovery Rate to **78.53%**. The 7-day moving average of the Recoveries shows a consistent increase in the recoveries. The total recovered cases stand at **39,42,360**. Maharashtra

(19423) contributed 23.41% of the new recoveries while the States of Andhra Pradesh (9628), Karnataka (7406), Uttar Pradesh (6680) and Tamil Nadu (5735) contributed 35.5% of the new recoveries in the last 24 hours. Nearly **59%** of the new recoveries came from these five States. There are **9,95,933** active cases in the country as on date. The gap between Recovered and Active cases has crossed **29 lakh** today (**29,46,427**). Recovered Cases are nearly **4 times** (3.96) the number of Active Cases. Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu compose close to **60%** of the Active Cases. **90,123** new cases have been reported in the last 24 hours in the country. With more than 20,000 new cases in the last 24 hours, Maharashtra is leading the tally. This is followed by Andhra Pradesh (8846) and Karnataka (7576).

For details :

'Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package Insurance Scheme for Health Workers Fighting COVID-19' extended for another 6 months

The 'Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package Insurance Scheme for Health Workers Fighting COVID-19' was announced on 30 March 2020 for a period of 90 days. This was extended for a further period of 90 days i.e. up to 25th Sept, 2020. The scheme has now been extended for **another 180 days i.e. 6 months**. This Central Sector Scheme provides an insurance cover of Rs. 50 lakh to healthcare providers, including community health workers, who may have to be in direct contact and care of COVID-19 patients and therefore at risk of being infected. It also includes accidental loss of life on account of contracting COVID-19.

For details:

COVID-19 Test for International Passengers

Ministry of Civil Aviation has allowed RT-PCR testing at the entry airport on pilot basis to facilitate the transfer of international passengers. Under it, Airport Operator will create Sample Collection cum Waiting Lounge facility for RT-PCR testing. If the test result is negative, passenger will be permitted to exit the Waiting Lounge and proceed to the Departures to catch the connecting flight. However, if the result is positive, the passenger will be processed in line with applicable ICMR protocols by the State authorities. No passenger should be able to make an unauthorized exit. This information was given in a written reply by Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of State (I/C), Civil Aviation in Rajya Sabha today.

For details:

Impact of Coronavirus

The sudden outbreak of COVID-19 has severely impacted some of the major economies of the world. It has affected countries across the globe including some of the major players like USA, European Union, UK, and India. Both World Bank and IMF estimate contraction in global GDP for FY 2020-21 due to the spillover effects of the lockdown to curb the spread of COVID-19 pandemic. Various sectors were affected due to the nation-wide lockdown. However, after the lockdown was relaxed, we see significant improvement in several sectors of the economy. Government has implemented several measures for the revival of industries. This information was given by the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal, in a written reply in the Lok Sabha today.

For details:

Conversion of Coaches into Covid Care Units

Indian Railways had converted 5231 Nos. of Non-AC ICF coaches into isolation coaches temporarily as COVID-19 isolation units during lockdown crisis. As per their requisition, 813 coaches are provided to the State Governments as on 12.09.2020. Subject to their residual codal life, these coaches shall be restored to passenger services when the requirement of these coaches to serve as isolation centres is fulfilled. This information was given by the Minister of Railways and Commerce & Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal in a written reply to a question in Lok Sabha today.

For details:

Union Government has taken unprecedented measures for labour welfare and employment generation during Covid-19 pandemic : Shri Gangwar

Union Labour and Employment Minister Shri Santosh Gangwar said today that a number of unprecedented steps have been taken by the Union Government for labour welfare and employment including for migrant workers across India during COVID-19 pandemic. Elaborating it he said that immediately after the lockdown, directions were sent from Ministry of Labour & Employment to all the State Governments/UTs instructing them to provide financial assistance to construction workers from Building & Other Construction Workers' Cess Fund. It is estimated that the highest proportion of migrant workers are construction workers. Till date, about two crore migrant workers have been provided Rs. 5000.00 crores directly in their bank accounts from Fund being maintained by various States. He also stated that in order to resolve the grievances of migrant workers during lockdown, Ministry of Labour & Employment had set up 20 Control Rooms all over the country. During lockdown, more than 15000 complaints of the workers were resolved through these Control Rooms and due to the intervention of Ministry of Labour & Employment more than two lakh workers were paid their due wages amounting to about Rs. 295 crores. In order to provide minimum financial assistance to the workers through their EPF Account, Ministry of Labour & Employment under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana has permitted all the EPF members to withdraw 75% of their total provident fund deposited in their EPF Account. Till date, about Rs. 39,000/- crore have been withdrawn by the member of EPFO.

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Shri Piyush Goyal says double digit growth in exports last week shows that country is showing rapid recovery

Minister of Railways and Commerce & industry Shri Piyush Goyal has called for aiming for the target of \$500 billion of service exports. Addressing the inaugural session of CII's India-UK Annual Conference virtually yesterday, he said that this is imminently doable. "We are all confident that under Prime Minister Shri NarendraModi's leadership, India will get back to our 5 trillion economy target, and it is time we leverage on this." The Minister said that in **the week from 8th to 14th September, the value of exports is \$6.88 billion, up by 10.73% over the same period of the previous year.** "This is indicative that India is in a move to get back, our resilience is showing, our confidence is emerging, our can-do spirit is reflected in all these numbers", he added. The Minister stated that the confidence that CII has demonstrated in terms of India's ability to overcome the COVID-19 pandemic, has truly been remarkable. "We will rapidly recover, ensure businesses come back on track & we will back to the

growth trajectory. We believe our manufacturing ecosystem will grow by \$300 billion in the next 5 years. For boosting the domestic consumption & exports, we are focusing on the 24 industry sub-sectors.”

For details :

Implementation of MGNREGS during COVID-19 Pandemic

Mahatma Gandhi NREGS is a demand driven wage employment scheme. Every adult member of a household in a rural area, having job card (as per Mahatma Gandhi NREG Act), is eligible for a demand for a job under the scheme. A job card can be issued to a migrant labour/family as per the provision of the Act against a demand by the migrant labour/family. A total of 86,81,928 new job card during the current FY so far has been issued as compared to 64,95,823 new job card issued during the FY 2019-20. Total fund released/spent under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS) to States/UTs from April 2020 to August, 2020 is at 5870600 Lakh (funds released) and 5293764 Lakh (total expenditure). The Central Government, with active support of the State Governments, has so far been able to meet the demands of works with adequate funding. During current financial year, as on 10.09.2020, the Ministry has released Rs. 60,44,098.23 lakh till now to the States & UTs for implementation of Scheme. Total 238976142personday generated in August, 2020 as against 153052762in August 2019 indicating 56% increase for the month.This information was given in a written reply by the Union Minister of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Shri Narendra Singh Tomar in Lok Sabha yesterday.

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Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan

Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan (GKRA) is a 125-day Abhiyan launched by Hon'ble Prime Minister on 20th June, 2020 with a mission to address the issues of returnee migrant workers and similarly affected rural population by Covid-19 pandemic through a multi- pronged strategy.GKRA aims at providing immediate employment & livelihood opportunities to the distressed, to saturate the villages with public infrastructure and creation of livelihood assets to boost the income generation activities and enhance long term livelihood opportunities by giving focus on 25 works in 116 selected districts across 6 States with a resource envelope of Rs 50,000 crore. Total mandays employment generated in six States of Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh under Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan is 27,21,17240 with an expenditure of**23559.20 crore**.This information was given in a written reply by the Union Minister of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Shri Narendra Singh Tomar in Lok Sabha today.

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Steps taken to ensure safety of healthcare and other health workers of hospitals

Hospitals and dispensaries being a State subject, no data is maintained in the Union Government about Safai Karmacharis, who have died due to health and safety hazards related cleaning hospitals and medical waste during Covid-19 pandemic.States were asked to constitute Infection Prevention and Control Committees. Hospitals were also to identify a nodal officer who will monitor the healthcare workers and review their exposure status. High risk exposures are placed under quarantine for 7 days.

Based on their exposure/clinical profile of such doctors, nursing officers and other health workers, to take a decision by the Nodal Officer/Head of the Department (or his appointed Sub-committee) for further period on one week. An advisory for managing health working in COVID and Non-COVID areas of the hospital was issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on 18th June, 2020. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has issued guidelines on Rational use of PPEs for healthcare workers including other field level workers. It has also provided guideline on Infection Prevention and Control practices to the State Governments. States were requested to train the hospital functionaries on infection prevention and control practices. Training on Infection Prevention and Control was also made available for all categories of healthcare workers on the iGoT platform. This information was given by Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Ramdas Athawale in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.

For details :

M/o Social Justice & Empowerment decides for release of advance grant to implementing agencies to run and maintain old age homes in view of ongoing Pandemic

In view of the ongoing Pandemic and considering the fact that the Implementing Agencies (IAs) may not have sufficient funds to run and maintain Old Age Homes, the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has decided for release of advance grant to them. A total of Rs. 83.74 crore has already been released to the IAs during 2020-21, till date. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is implementing National Action Plan for Senior Citizens which has a component of Integrated Programme for Senior Citizens under which grants in aid is given for running and maintenance of, inter alia, Senior Citizens Homes (Old Age Homes) to Implementing Agencies (IAs) such as State Governments/Union Territory Administrations (through Registered Societies)/Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs)/Local bodies; Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)/Voluntary Organizations. This information was given by Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Rattan Lal Kataria in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.

For details :

Cylinders distributed under PMUY during Corona crisis

Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) commenced w.e.f. 01.05.2016 to provide deposit free LPG connections to adult woman of poor households. The target of the same was achieved on 7th September, 2019. 13.06 crore cylinders have been distributed to PMUY beneficiaries under the PMKKY during Corona crisis. This information was given by the Union Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas Shri Dharmendra Pradhan in the Rajya Sabha today in a written reply.

For details :

COVID-19 Cases in Defence Services

The number of COVID-19 cases in Army, Navy and Air Force are 16758, 1365 and 1716 respectively. The number of deceased due to COVID-19 in Army and Air Force are 32 and 03 respectively and 'NIL' in case of Navy. As per the extant Rules, there is no special compensation for deaths occurring due to infectious diseases while in service. However, all deaths while in service are awarded terminal benefits. This information was given by Raksha Rajya Mantri Shri Shripad Naik in a written reply to Shri Anumula Revanth Reddy in Lok Sabha today.

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- Maharashtra: Maharashtra Government has set-up a four member committee to fix the charges for conducting CT-scan tests across all state hospitals. State Health Minister Rajesh Tope has said that following numerous complaints regarding overcharging by various hospitals, the government has decided to bring in price caps for these tests. Meanwhile, Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray has sought the help of all village Sarpanchs in implementing the 'My Family, My Responsibility' initiative of the State Government. The CM along with Deputy CM Ajit Pawar held a virtual meeting with 28,000 Sarpanchs of the state.
- Rajasthan: The prescribed rates of COVID-19 tests at private hospitals and laboratories in Rajasthan have been reduced to Rs 1,200. Health Minister Dr Raghu Sharma said that the prices of RT-PCR testing kit, reagents, VTM kit and other consumables have reduced, so it was decided to provide the testing facility to the general public at lower prices. This decision was taken after consultation with Sawai Man Singh Medical College senior doctors and other subject experts. Meanwhile, CM Ashok Gehlot interacted with top doctors and discussed the pros and cons of Covid 19 management strategies in Rajasthan.
- Madhya Pradesh: The Madhya Pradesh government has banned industrial use of oxygen amongst other steps taken to meet the medical crisis that erupted after suspension of supply from Maharashtra. The state is battling a severe shortage of oxygen cylinders and is busy making alternative arrangements.
- Chhattisgarh: Chhattisgarh on Tuesday recorded a highest single-day spike of 3,450 coronavirus cases, taking the state's count of infections to 70,777. Government has started a 50 oxygen bed facility in the Durg District Hospital. The Durg administration has issued toll-free numbers for patients in home isolation. The District Administration has ordered that there will a 7-day lockdown in the Mungeli district.
- Kerala: The state Cabinet has approved an ordinance, allowing Covid-19 patients and bedridden people to use postal votes in the upcoming local body polls. It is also decided to extend voting hours by one more hour. Another decision of the Cabinet today was to invest the salary of government employees in their PF accounts, which was deducted from their basic pay following the financial slump induced by Covid-19. Salary of 6 days was deducted for five months. State Finance Minister Thomas Isaac was today discharged from the hospital after recovering from Covid-19. Meanwhile, 110 workers of a plastic factory in the capital has been tested positive. At present, 31,156 Covid patients are undergoing treatment in the State and 2,08,141 people under observation in various districts. Death toll till now in the State is 466.
- Tamil Nadu: Puducherry Lt Governor Kiran Bedi said joint mobile teams comprising police, revenue and municipal officials would be constituted to ensure enforcement of COVID-19 safety norms and prevention of violations of the protocols in the union territory. TN CM Edappadi K Palaniswami told the Assembly that the coronavirus infection had started receding in Tamil Nadu owing to the concerted efforts of the State government; responding to a debate in the Assembly on the pandemic, Palaniswami said recovery rate in Tamil Nadu is the highest (89%) in the country while mortality rate is the lowest (1.67%). State government granted permission to 13 universities and the Director of Technical Education (DoTE) to conduct final semester exams this month.
- Karnataka: State Cabinet on Tuesday approved an amendment to the Karnataka Fiscal Responsibility Act (KFRA) to increase the state's borrowing limit to 5 per cent of GSDP instead of the existing 3 per cent; in effect, this will allow the State to raise an additional Rs 36,000 crore

- in loans without violating fiscal discipline under the KFRA. State Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai tests positive for Covid; he is the fourth minister who testing positive in the State. Doctors under the Karnataka Government Medical Officers' Association (KGMOA) to continue the strike till September 18; the doctors have been demanding pay parity with their counterparts in the medical education department, or pay revision as per the Central Government Health Scheme.
- Andhra Pradesh: Special rooms have been set up by the state for those candidates who are tested positive and still attending the test for the recruitment of Village and Ward Secretariat posts. Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam has decided to conduct the forthcoming Brahmotsavams from September 17-27 at Tirumala hill shrine without participation of devotees following the Government of India Covid-19 protocol. This time devotees could not witness the 'Vahana Sevas' in Tirumala. Corona death toll continues to rise in the state as it has crossed the five thousand mark, bringing the total death toll to 5014.
 - Telangana: 2273 new cases, 2260 recoveries & 12 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2273 cases, 325 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,62,844; Active cases: 30,401; Deaths: 996; Discharges :1,31,447. Telangana assembly session is likely to end today; decision to call off the session has reportedly been taken by the Speaker after a MLA and 50 other assembly staff tested positive on Monday. Telangana is also on the verge of facing a shortage of oxygen cylinders in the near future due to the rapid rise in Covid-19 cases. The prices of oxygen cylinders have also gone up heavily due to transportation and other charges involved in importing them from other states.
 - Arunachal Pradesh: In Arunachal Pradesh two more deaths reported due to Covid-19, total casualty is now 13.170 new Covid cases reported including that of Chief Minister Pema Khandu. Currently there are 1795 active cases in the state.
 - Assam: In Assam 1849 COVID-19 patients discharged after recovery yesterday. Total COVID cases in the state reached to 146575 among them 29180 are active cases.
 - Manipur: In Manipur 239 more persons test Covid19 positive. There were 78 recoveries with 78 percent recovery rate. There are 1745 active cases in the state. One person expired due to Covid19 complications taking the toll in Manipur to 47.
 - Mizoram: Twelve new cases of COVID-19 confirmed in Mizoram yesterday. Total cases reached to 1480 and active cases stands at 588. Asymptomatic patients can now stay in home isolation in Mizoram. The state government has framed guidelines for it.
 - Meghalaya: In Meghalaya the total active COVID-19 cases reached to 1818. Among them 379 are from BSF and Armed Forces.

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- Cabinet approves establishment of new AIIMS at Darbhanga, Bihar
- India would be following a scenario based approach for COVID-19
- Government has taken a number of initiatives to provide psychosocial support during COVID-19.
- 155 Health workers have died due to COVID-19, as per PMGKP Insurance Scheme

COVID-19 INDIA as on :
15 September 2020
08:00 IST (GMT+5:30)

(↑↓ Status change since
yesterday)

Active (20.08%)

990061 (3463↑)

Discharged (78.28%)

3859399 (79292↑)

Deaths (1.64%)

80776 (1054↑)



India continues to post very high Recoveries, More than 79,000 discharged in the last 24 hours, India's Recovery Rate crosses 78%, 60% of Total Active Cases in 5 Most Affected States

India continues to post very high number of daily recoveries. The continuous upward trajectory of India's Recovery Rate has touched **78.28%** today. **79,292** have recovered and discharged in the last 24 hours. The total recovered cases stand at **38,59,399**. The gap between Recovered cases and Active cases

has crossed **28 lakh** today (**28,69,338**). The total number of active cases in the country stands at **9,90,061** as on date. **Close to half (48.8%)** of the Active Cases are concentrated in 3 States: Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Kerala and Telangana contribute close to a quarter (24.4%) of the Active Cases. Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu contribute **60.35%** of the total Active Cases and are also reporting close to 60% (**59.42%**) of the total recovered cases. **1,054** case fatalities have been reported in the past 24 hours. Of the total deaths, **nearly 69%** are concentrated in five State/UTs of Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Delhi. More than **37%** of deaths reported are from Maharashtra (29,894 deaths). The State reported **34.44%** of the deaths in the last 24 hours (363 deaths).

For details:

Union Health Secretary, Industries & Internal Trade Secretary and Secretary Pharmaceuticals engage with 29 States/UTs to ensure adequate Oxygen availability in all Healthcare Facilities

The Union Health Ministry held a virtual meeting yesterday where Union Health Secretary, Secretary DPIIT, Secretary Pharmaceuticals and Secretary Textiles participated. State Health Secretaries and Industries Secretaries of 29 states/UTs were also present virtually. The aim of the meeting was to ensure adequate Oxygen availability in all healthcare facilities in these States & unrestricted intra as well as inter State movement of oxygen. States were asked to assess the need and then to press more tankers into action, repurpose similar vehicles for carrying oxygen, take steps to reduce their turnaround time so that patients do not face any lack of oxygen. The States were specifically advised to ensure among other things, facility wise/hospital wise oxygen **inventory management** and **advance planning** for timely replenishment so that there are no stockout.

For details:

Prime Minister inaugurates various projects under 'NamamiGange' yojana and 'AMRUT' yojana in Bihar

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated various projects under 'NamamiGange' Yojana and 'AMRUT' Yojana in Bihar. Four schemes inaugurated today include sewerage treatment plants at Beur and Karam-Leechak in Patna city, as well as water-related projects in Siwan and Chhapra under the 'AMRUT' Yojana. Apart from this, foundation stones were laid today for water supply projects in Munger and Jamalpur and River Front Development Scheme under NamamiGange in Muzaffarpur. The Prime Minister said that even during the times of Corona, the work on various development projects progressed uninterrupted in Bihar. The Prime Minister lauded the contribution of the Engineers to the development of the country on the occasion of Engineer's Day, which is celebrated in the memory of India's pioneering modern civil engineer, Sir M. Visvesvaraya. Shri Modi said Bihar also significantly contributed towards development of the country by producing millions of engineers.

For details:

Text of PM's address at the launch of multiple development projects in Bihar

For details:

Cabinet approves establishment of new All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) at Darbhanga, Bihar

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has approved establishment of a new All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) at Darbhanga, Bihar. This will be established under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY). The total cost will be Rs.1264 crore and is likely to be completed within a period of 48 months from the date of the approval of Government of India. New AIIMS will add 100 UG (MBBS) seats and 60 B.Sc (Nursing) seats and will have 15-20 Super Specialty Departments. As per data of current functional AIIMS, it is expected that each new AIIMS will cater to around 2000 OPD patients per day and around 1000 IPD patients per month.

For details:

COVID-19 Fatalities amongst Healthcare Workers

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provided guideline on Infection Prevention and Control practices to the State Governments. Training was conducted for all the States in the month of March 2020. Training on Infection Prevention and Control was also made available for all categories of healthcare workers on the iGoT platform. An advisory for managing health care workers working in COVID and Non-COVID areas of the hospital was issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on 18th June, 2020. Guidelines on rational use of PPEs for hospital and community settings were issued on 24.03.2020. These guidelines followed a risk based approach and recommended type of PPE that needs to be used in high and low risk areas. The healthcare workers were provided with hydroxychloroquine for prophylaxis and prevention of infection. The package of Rs 15000 crores (USD 2 Billion) under “India COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health System Preparedness Package” has been approved by the Cabinet on 22nd April, 2020. The States were supported with 9.81 Crore tablets of HCQ and 28,476 ventilators supplied to States/UTs. States/UTs were provided with 3.05 crore N-95 masks and 1.2 Crore PPE kits. **Total 155 Health workers died due to COVID-19 as per PMGKP: Insurance Scheme.** The Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), ShAshwini Kumar Choubey stated this in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha today.

For details:

Strategic Approach to Combat Covid-19

India would be following a scenario based approach for the following possible scenarios: (i) Travel related case reported in India, (ii) Local transmission of COVID-19, (iii) Large outbreaks amenable to containment, (iv) Wide-spread community Transmission of COVID-19 disease and (v) India becomes endemic for COVID-19. Currently many areas are experiencing large outbreaks amenable to containment. Hence a containment strategy is being followed by Government of India. Government has succeeded to a great extent in controlling the aggressive progression of COVID-19 in the country. India has recorded 3,328 cases and 55 deaths per million population, which is one of the lowest in the world as compared to similarly affected countries. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India followed a graded approach for expanding COVID-19 dedicated hospital infrastructure. The Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), ShAshwini Kumar Choubey stated this in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha today.

For details:

New Healthcare Scheme for Covid-19 Victims

There is provision made under 'Pradhan Mantri GaribKalyan Package' for Health Workers fighting COVID-19. This is a Central Sector scheme. The scheme provides an insurance cover of Rs. 50 lakh to healthcare providers, including community health workers, who may have to be in direct contact and care of COVID-19 patients and who may be at risk of being impacted by this. It will also include accidental loss of life on account of contracting COVID-19. The scheme also covers private hospital staff/ retired/volunteer/ local urban bodies/contract/daily wage/ ad-hoc/outsourced staff requisitioned by States/ Central hospitals/autonomous hospitals of Central/States/UTs, AIIMS & INIs/ hospitals of Central Ministries drafted for COVID-19 related responsibilities. The insurance provided under this scheme would be over and above any other insurance cover being availed of by the beneficiary. The Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), ShAshwini Kumar Choubey stated this in a written reply in the RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Increase in Mental Health issues during the Pandemic

Realizing the impact that COVID-19 may have on the mental health of the people, including children, the Government has taken a number of initiatives to provide psychosocial support during COVID-19. These initiatives include: Setting up of a 24/7 helpline to provide psychosocial support, by mental health professionals, to the entire affected population, divided into different target groups viz children, adult, elderly, women and healthcare workers, issuance of guidelines/ advisories on management of mental health issues, catering to different segments of the society, advocacy through various media platforms in the form of creative and audio-visual materials on managing stress and anxiety, and promoting an environment of support and care for all, Issuance of detailed guidelines by the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences, Bengaluru- "Mental Health in the times of COVID-19 Pandemic - Guidance for General Medical and Specialized Mental Health Care Settings'and online capacity building of health workers by NIMHANS in providing psychosocial support and training through (iGOT)-Diksha platform. The Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), ShAshwini Kumar Choubey stated this in a written reply in the RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Medical education of Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy to get revolutionary revamp

With the passage of two important bills of the Ministry of AYUSH by the Parliament, the country is all set to bring revolutionary reforms in the medical education of Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy. The National Commission for Indian System of Medicine Bill, 2020 and the National Commission for Homoeopathy Bill 2020 were passed in LokSabha on 14th September 2020. These twin bills seek to replace the existing Indian Medicine Central Council Act, 1970 and the Homoeopathy Central Council Act, 1973. Getting the approval of the Parliament for these bills is a landmark achievement in the history of AYUSH. The enactment of the said Bills will revamp the existing Central Council of Indian Medicine (CCIM) and Central Council of Homoeopathy.

For details:

Yoga in Helping Recovery of COVID-19 Patients

The Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN), has undertaken a research project to verify the efficacy of Yoga in facilitating early recovery of COVID – 19 patients in collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi Super Specialty Hospital, Delhi, AIIMS Delhi, AIIMS Rishikesh and RML Hospital, Delhi. This information was given by the Minister of Health and Family Welfare Dr. Harsh Vardhan in a written reply in the RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Early Indications of COVID 19 Pandemic Outbreak in the country

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare was following the evolving situation in China, when WHO India alerted our country on 6th January, 2020 about outbreak of pneumonia of unknown origin in Wuhan city of China. The Joint Monitoring Group under Director General of Health Services met on 8th January, 2020 to review the evolving situation in China and deliberated on public health preparedness and response strategies for the same. Before the nationwide lockdown, a series of actions were undertaken in a pro-active, graded and pre-emptive manner based on the evolving scenario. India took adequate action for screening, surveillance, contact tracing of international travellers from 18th January, 2020. Travel advisories were issued restricting inflow of international travellers. Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), ShAshwini Kumar Choubey stated this in a written reply in the RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Status of Development of COVID Vaccine in India

While the Govt. and Industry are trying their best to make available a safe and effective vaccine for COVID-19 at the earliest, it is difficult to comment on the exact timelines in view of various complex pathways involved in vaccine development. The Government has constituted a high-level National Expert Group on vaccine administration for COVID-19. The committee is addressing issues related to vaccine delivery, selection of suitable vaccines, procurement, prioritization of groups, logistics: Cold chain requirements, finance and National/International equity. Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) has granted test license permission for manufacture of COVID-19 Vaccine for preclinical test, examination and analysis to seven manufacturers in India. The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), an autonomous organisation under the Department of Health Research, has informed that a number of companies are conducting clinical trials for COVID-19 vaccines in India. The Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), ShAshwini Kumar Choubey stated this in a written reply in the RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Checking Overcharging by Private Hospitals

Government of India has taken a series of actions to prevent, control and mitigate the impact of COVID-19. India followed a “whole of Government” and “whole of society” approach. Hon’ble Prime Minister, a High level Group of Ministers (GoM), Cabinet Secretary, Committee of Secretaries and senior officers in MoHFW continue to monitor public health response to COVID-19 in the country. Health is a State subject. The responsibility of engaging private hospitals in treating COVID cases is that of the State Government. Union Health Secretary has written to all States/UTs to engage private hospitals through

mutually agreeable arrangements. Rates under PM-JAY and CGHS packages have been advised. A large number of States have accordingly issued instructions to that effect. The Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), ShAshwini Kumar Choubey stated this in a written reply in the RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Details of loan disbursement by World Bank to India to fight COVID-19 pandemic

The World Bank has so far provided three loans worth \$2.5 billion to Government of India to support Government of India's response to COVID-19 pandemic situation for health (\$1 billion), for social protection (\$0.75 billion) and for economic stimulus (\$0.75 billion), the benefits of which have accrued to all States and UTs. This was stated by Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Union Minister of State for Finance & Corporate Affairs in a written reply to a question in RajyaSabha today.

For details:

Union Education Minister releases the NCERT eight-week alternative academic calendar for the secondary stage

In order to engage students meaningfully during their stay at home due to COVID-19 through educational activities at home with the help of their parents and teachers, the alternative academic calendars for students, parents and teachers for all the classes I-XII has been developed by the NCERT. Alternative Academic Calendar (AAC) for four weeks and next eight weeks for primary and upper primary stages had already been released. AAC for secondary and higher secondary stages for four week had also been released earlier by the Union Minister of Education. Now, AAC for next eight weeks for the secondary stage has been released by the Union Minister of Education Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' virtually today.

For details:

Financial Assistance to Migrants

Central Government was fully conscious that during the period of an inevitable lockdown, people should not be deprived of essential supplies. The situation was closely monitored 24*7 through Control Rooms at national level. With a view to provide food, health care and shelter to homeless people including migrant workers, Central Government on 28.03.2020, allowed the State Governments to use State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) for this purpose. Data on the number of persons who died on road while trying to reach their home State during COVID-19 lockdown is not centrally maintained. However, all necessary steps were taken by Central Government to facilitate the movement of migrant workers. This was stated by the Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri Nityanand Rai in a written reply to question in the LokSabha today.

For details:

NDMA Guidelines on Lockdown

In terms of Section 6 (2) (i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (DM Act, 2005), National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), on being satisfied that the country is threatened by the spread of COVID – 19 pandemic, has been directing Union Home Secretary, being the Chairperson of the National Executive Committee (NEC), to take measures and to issue necessary guidelines so as to prevent the

spread of COVID-19 in the country. Accordingly, NEC has been issuing guidelines about the Lockdown and Unlock phases in the country from time to time. By imposing country-wide Lockdown, India successfully blunted the aggressive spread of COVID-19. The period of Lockdown helped the nation create much required additional health infrastructure. States are free to take steps for restricting the disease in their respective States subject to compliance with the guidelines issued by the National Executive Committee as per recommendations of the NDMA. This was stated by the Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri NityanandRai in a written reply to question in the Lok Sabha today.

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- Punjab: With Covid cases and fatality in the state rising, Punjab Chief Minister has directed the Health Department to step up indigenous manufacturing of medical Oxygen to supplement the current supplies in order to ensure that there is no shortage of this critical commodity to tackle any future crisis. The state government has also appointed a Nodal Officer to monitor the supply and demand of Medical Oxygen amid spiralling cases of Covid, and the Chief Minister has asked the Health Department to ensure that indigenous production and packaging is further scaled up to meet any eventuality.
- Haryana: While assuring the Government of India that there will be no shortage of Oxygen in the State, Additional Chief Secretary, Health and Family Welfare said that Haryana has adequate production & storage capacity of Liquid and Medical Oxygen and adequate arrangements have been made by the State to ensure that there is no shortage of Oxygen in both, the government and the private hospitals of the State.
- Arunachal Pradesh: One more COVID-19 patient working at PHC Hollongi passes away in Arunachal Pradesh. Total death toll in the state 11 now. 176 new positive cases detected in Arunachal Pradesh. Total 1,756 active cases in the state as 156 patients recovered and were discharged.
- Assam: In Assam, 1,918 patients are discharged yesterday. Total discharged patients 1,15,051 & active patients 28,630, State Health Minister tweeted.
- Manipur: 96 more persons test COVID-19 positive in Manipur. There were 149 recoveries with 79 percent recovery rate. There are total 1,585 active cases.
- Meghalaya: Meghalaya COVID-19 active cases rise to 1,623, total BSF and Armed Forces cases 344, total others 1,279 & total recovered 2,075.
- Mizoram: 40 fresh COVID-19 cases detected in Mizoram yesterday. Total cases 1,468, active cases 549.
- Nagaland: Of Nagaland's 5,214 positive cases, armed forces account for 2,463 cases, returnees 1411, frontline workers 319 and traced contacts 1,021.
- Sikkim: Sikkim COVID-19 tally is as follows: cured & discharged 1,690, active cases 464, new cases 54.
- Kerala: The State Health department has evaluated that the Covid situation in the state became severe after Onam festival. The Covid positivity rate increased in 6 districts while in three districts the doubling interval decreased. The infection positivity rate has increased considerably in

Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Kottayam, Kannur and Kasaragod. The report also urged to increase the number of tests per day and strengthen the effectiveness of health system at regional level. As many as 2,540 new cases of Covid-19 were confirmed in Kerala yesterday. At present, 30,486 patients are undergoing treatment and around 2.05 lakh people are under observation across the State. The death toll stands at 454.

- Tamil Nadu: TN mulls converting govt chopper into air ambulance to offer medical care during golden hour. Quoting health department sources media reports that mismanagement in the handling of samples at various levels is affecting timely declaration of test results in Coimbatore. Covid positive tally in TN crossed five lakh yesterday after 5,752 more positive cases were reported. Number of discharged persons crosses 4.5 lakh and total deaths reached 8434 in the State.
- Karnataka: With a spike in Covid-19 cases, the District Government Hospital in Chikkamagaluru is planning to set up a liquid oxygen plant on its premises, which will open for service within a week. 8244 new cases, 8865 discharges & 119 deaths were reported yesterday in the State. 2966 cases in Bangalore city. Total cases till yesterday: 4,67,689; Active cases: 98,463; Deaths: 7384; Discharges: 3,61,823.
- Andhra Pradesh: State Tourism and Culture Minister Muttamsetti Srinivasa Rao has tested positive for coronavirus. Diesel Loco Shed of Waltair Division has developed a robot that can assist hospital staff in serving medicines and food to Covid patients. Named MeD ROBO, it underwent extensive trials and demonstrations before being deployed for use at Divisional Railway Hospital in Visakhapatnam.
- Telangana: 2058 new cases, 2180 recoveries & 10 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2058 cases, 277 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,60,571; Active cases: 30,400; Deaths: 984; Discharges :1,29,187. After a high-level task force, was constituted by the Telangana government to oversee Covid-19 treatment, auditing of beds — in general and non-general wards — across hospitals have started, for the first time, in the state. South Central Railway office in Hyderabad shut as 30 staffers test Covid positive.
- Maharashtra: The Maharashtra Government has accorded 'ambulance status' to the vehicles carrying medical oxygen for one year. A notification was issued on Monday in this regard. The decision was taken in view of the spread of COVID-19 pandemic and the necessity of uninterrupted oxygen supply to various hospitals in the state. Approximately 11 per cent of Covid patients in the state are in need of oxygen support requiring about 500 metric tons. Even though, Maharashtra is currently producing more than 1,000 MT oxygen, complaints of shortage have been received from many places.
- Gujarat: The State Chief Minister Vijay Rupani on Monday tested negative for coronavirus after volunteering for the process in keeping with his "test is best" slogan. The CM took the test to encourage people to come forward without fear to find out if they have the infection. Rupani has coined the "test is best" slogan and said they are necessary for timely detection and treatment of the novel coronavirus infection
- Rajasthan: With 793 cases reported this morning, the active cases of COVID 19 touched a new high of 17,410 in the state. 147 new cases have been reported from Jodhpur while 145 cases reported from capital Jaipur. The active cases have continuously been on the rise in the state. However, the recovery rate in the state is still high at about 82 percent.


- Madhya Pradesh The MP Government has banned industrial use of oxygen amongst other steps taken to meet the medical crisis that erupted after suspension of supply from Maharashtra. With these measures, the state right now has an assured supply of 180 metric tons of medical oxygen while the demand hovers between 110 and 120 metric tons per day. Madhya Pradesh now has more than 90,000 positive cases of the novel coronavirus and the state saw its highest single-day jump of 2,483 on Monday. For the past five days, 2,000 new Covid-19 cases have been reported every day.
- Chhattisgarh: Raipur is all set to get 560 new beds equipped with oxygen cylinders. As per Raipur district collector, 100 beds with oxygen facilities have been installed in Lalpur Covid hospital. 400 additional beds will be installed in Ayurvedic College Hospital, and 60 at ESIC hospital in Raipur.

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COVID-19 INDIA as on :
14 September 2020,
08:00 IST (GMT+5:30)

(↑↓ Status change since
yesterday)

Active (20.36%)

986598 (13423↑)

Discharged (78.00%)

3780107 (77512↑)

Deaths (1.64%)

79722 (1136↑)



On a steep rising curve, India's Recovery Rate touches 78%; there are 28 lakh more Recoveries than Active Cases, 60% of Total Active Cases in 5 Most Affected States

On a continuous upward trajectory, the Recovery Rate has touched **78.00%** reflecting the increasing number of high recoveries per day. **77,512** patients have been discharged in the last 24 hours. The total recovered cases are **37,80,107**. The gap between Recovered cases and Active cases is consistently increasing. This has touched nearly **28 lakh** today (**27,93,509**). The total number of active cases in the country stands at **9,86,598** as on date. **More than 60%** of the Active Cases are concentrated in 5 States viz Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. These States are also reporting 60% of the total recovered cases. **92,071** new cases have been reported in the last 24 hours in the country. Maharashtra continues to contribute a high number. In the last 24 hours it has reported more than 22,000 new cases. Andhra Pradesh has contributed more than 9,800 new cases. Nearly 60% of the total cases are being contributed by five States viz. Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh. **1,136** deaths have been logged in the past 24 hours. Of the new deaths, **nearly 53%** are concentrated in three States of Maharashtra, Karnataka, and Uttar Pradesh. These are followed by Tamil Nadu, Punjab and Andhra Pradesh. More than **36%** of deaths reported yesterday are from Maharashtra (416 deaths).

For details:

Text of the Suo-Moto statement by Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Minister for Health & Family Welfare in Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha regarding COVID pandemic and the steps taken by the Government of India

For details:

AYUSH practices inducted into the Management Protocol for COVID - 19 recovered patients

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has issued a protocol on Post COVID Management which provides an integrated holistic approach for patients of COVID to care at home and is not meant to be used as preventive/curative therapy. It also states that the recovery period is likely to be longer for patients who suffered from more severe form of the disease and those with pre-existing illness. The protocol is also notable for the induction of various AYUSH practices of healthcare to facilitate faster recuperation of health of recovered Covid 19 patients. The Post- COVID follow up protocol, on individual level, advises continued appropriate use of mask, hand and respiratory hygiene, physical distancing etc. Adequate consumption of hot water and immunity promoting AYUSH medicine is advised after prescribed by a qualified practitioner of AYUSH. Mild / moderate exercises like Yogasana, Pranayama, Meditation is to be practiced daily as prescribed while daily morning or evening walk at a comfortable pace as tolerated. Apart from this, the protocol advises to consume a balanced nutritious diet that is easy to digest and is freshly prepared. These include common or easy preparations like the AyushKwath, the Samshamanivati, Giloy powder with luke warm water, Ashwagandha and Chyawanprash. Other recommendations include Amla fruit, Mulethi powder and Haldi milk.

For details:

English rendering of PM's remarks at the start of Monsoon Session of Parliament

“...The Parliament session commences today under special circumstances. There is a corona pandemic on one hand while our obligation towards fulfilling our duties on the other; and all the MPs have chosen the path of duty. I congratulate and thank all the MPs for this initiative.....

Several important decisions will be taken in this session, various topics will be discussed, and our experience tells us that the more we discuss in the Lok Sabha, the more diverse the discussion is in the House, the more beneficial it is for the country and solving the issues at hand.

I believe that this time too, following that great tradition, all the MPs will come together and add value to it. Under the present situation created by corona, we have to follow the rules and move ahead with great precautions. And it is also clear that we cannot afford any laxity in our approach unless there is a medicine. We are hoping that the vaccines should come up from any corner of the world as soon as possible, our scientists become successful in this direction as soon as possible and we can succeed in getting everyone out of this crisis.....”

For details:

Union Health Secretary, Industries & Internal Trade Secretary and Secretary Pharmaceuticals urge 7 Big States to ensure adequate Oxygen availability in all Healthcare Facilities

The Union Health Ministry held a virtual meeting yesterday where Union Health Secretary, Secretary DPIIT and Secretary Pharmaceuticals participated. State Health Secretaries and Industries Secretaries of Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Telangana, Gujarat, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh also participated in the meeting. The aim of the meeting was to ensure adequate Oxygen availability in all healthcare facilities in these States & unrestricted intra as well as inter State movement of oxygen. Union Minister for Commerce & Industry, and Railways Shri Piyush Goyal also addressed the participants. The States were specifically advised to ensure: facility wise/hospital wise oxygen inventory management and advance planning for timely replenishment so that there are no stockout, no restriction is imposed on the movement of Medical Oxygen between States/UTs and Provision of “Green Corridor” for Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) Tankers within the cities. It was also advised to ensure timely payment of the **due bills** to the manufacturers and supplier to maintain uninterrupted supply of oxygen.

For details :

Dr. Harsh Vardhan interacts with his Social Media followers through 'Sunday Samvad'

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare yesterday interacted and answered questions posed by his social media followers on the *Sunday Samvad* platform. These questions covered a multitude of queries concerning not only the current situation of COVID but also the government's approach to it, the likely changes one expects to see in the post-COVID world and the steps taken by government in its facilitation. The Minister informed that while no date has been fixed for the vaccine launch, it may be ready by the first quarter of 2021. Dr Harsh Vardhan stated that the Government is

taking full precautions in conducting the human trials of the vaccine. “Issues like vaccine security, cost, equity, cold-chain requirements, production timelines etc. are also being discussed intensely”, he stated. He assured the vaccine will be first made available to those who need it the most, irrespective of their paying capacity. Further, he said that the Government is considering emergency authorization of COVID-19 vaccination especially in the case of senior citizens & people working in high-risk settings. To allay fears regarding the safety aspect of the vaccines, the minister said he will be happy to take the first dosage of vaccine if some people have a trust deficit.

For details :

Principal Secretary to Prime Minister Comprehensively Reviews COVID-19, Appreciates the good work done by different Ministries and Departments

Principal Secretary to Prime Minister Dr. P.K. Mishra chaired a high level review meeting on Saturday to comprehensively review the COVID-19 preparedness and response. The meeting focused on evidence based learning on management of cases across the Districts and States. The meeting also discussed the stage of vaccine development and vaccine distribution plan. The need for District Health Action Plans for long term management of various aspects of COVID was also discussed at the meeting. The meeting was attended by the Cabinet Secretary, Member, NITI Aayog Dr. Vinod Paul, Principal Scientific Adviser and all concerned Empowered Action Group Convenors and Secretaries of concerned Departments. It was noted with satisfaction that all Empowered Groups have worked very hard to achieve benchmarks in COVID management. Principal Secretary to Prime Minister directed all concerned for an evidence based preparedness of all aspects of COVID-19 with active participation of Districts and States for effectiveness.

For Details:

Centre exhorts the North Eastern States to actively break the Chain of Transmission

Union Health Secretary held a video conference (VC) on Friday to review the COVID management strategies and actions taken in the eight North Eastern States. The VC was attended by the Principal Secretaries, Health Secretaries and other State representatives from Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Tripura and Sikkim. These 8 North Eastern States together account for less than 5% of the total active cases in the country. The States were advised to limit the spread of the infection by implementing stringent containment measures and following social distancing measures and ensure strict peri-meter control, and active house-to-house case search. Early identification by ramping up testing across the states and districts, judicious and full utilization of RT-PCR testing capacity and effective monitoring of home isolation cases and early hospitalization in case of disease progression was also stressed upon.

For Details:

Covid-19 Effect on Import of Oil

Oil and gas sector PSUs have informed that COVID 19 pandemic has resulted in unprecedented fall in demand which in-turn has reduced revenue consequent to lockdown imposed in the country. Consumption of all petroleum products has increased as the country is going towards unlock process. Due to the Covid-19 Outbreak throughout and world and nationwide lockdown imposed in the country, Indian refineries were operating with reduced capacity. This information was given by the Union Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas Shri Dharmendra Pradhan in the Lok Sabha today in a written reply.

For Details:

Amount released to States to combat COVID-19

Keeping in view the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Government of India released the 1st instalment of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) amounting to Rs. 11,092 crore to State Governments on 3rd April, 2020 in advance to strengthen the States to deal with the pandemic. This was stated by Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Union Minister of State for Finance & Corporate Affairs in response to a written question asked in the Lok Sabha today. Giving more details, Shri Thakur said that State Governments have been allowed additional borrowing limit of up to 2 per cent of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) for the year 2020-21. As against the additional borrowing limit of 2% of GSDP, consent for borrowing of 0.50 per cent of GSDP amounting to Rs. 1,06,830 crore has already been issued to the States to raise Open Market Borrowing (OMB) during the year 2020-21.

For Details:

Relaxation/concession provided to Companies/LLPs during Lockdown period to combat COVID-19

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has taken steps to provide several incentives/ relaxation/concession during Lockdown period so as to reduce the burden of companies/LLPs during COVID-19. This was stated by Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Union Minister of State for Finance & Corporate Affairs, in response to a written question in the Lok Sabha today. These included Introducing Companies Fresh Start Scheme 2020 (CFSS) to enable companies to file documents without additional fees, granting immunity from prosecutions proceeding, etc., Introducing LLP Settlement Scheme, 2020 providing similar benefits as CFSS 2020 for the benefits of LLPs, Introducing Special Provisions for enabling conduct of Board and General Meetings through Video conferences by Corporates, Introducing Special Relaxation in holding of General Meeting by Companies whose Financial Year ended on 31st December 2019, and Allowing corporates for spending CSR funds for various activities which includes Healthcare, sanitation and disaster management.

For Details:**PM dedicates to the nation three key projects related to the Petroleum sector in Bihar**

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation three key projects related to the Petroleum sector in Bihar via video conferencing on Sunday. The projects include the Durgapur-Banka section of the Paradip-Haldia-Durgapur Pipeline Augmentation Project and two LPG Bottling Plants. Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said Gas-based industry and petro-connectivity have a direct impact on people's lives, on their standard of living and also create millions of new employment opportunities. The Prime Minister said migrant labourers have returned back and new employment opportunities have also been created. Even during such a huge global epidemic the country has not stopped especially Bihar has not stopped. He added the National Infrastructure Pipeline Project worth more than Rs 100 lakh crore is also going to help in increasing economic activity. He urged everyone to keep working fast to make Bihar, Eastern India an important center of development.

For details :**Health Ministry in a virtual Conclave with Private Hospitals emphasises compliance of National Clinical Treatment Protocols and Best Practices**

The Union Health Ministry, in collaboration with FICCI and AIIMS, New Delhi, organized a virtual conclave for private hospitals providing COVID-19 treatment in the country on Saturday. This provided a platform for discussion of clinical protocols and best practices in COVID-19 management towards reducing avoidable deaths. The Conclave was organised to share the best practices and effective treatment modules being implemented by the public and private sector hospitals in the country. The Ministry also encouraged the hospital representatives to share their key concerns and challenges being faced while managing COVID-19 in their facilities. Union Health Secretary reiterated the resolve of the Government to ensure that patient of COVID-19 must not be denied beds and must be provided prompt treatment. The collective goal must be to have a health system that available, affordable and accessible to all. He highlighted that the aim of the Centre along with the State/ UT governments is to achieve a mortality rate of less than 1%. The best practices included discussion of the tele-consultation sessions conducted by AIIMS, New Delhi through the e-ICU, Centers of Excellence (CoE) and Clinical Grand Rounds to enhance the clinical management capacities of the ICU doctors in various States/UTs. This, supplemented by various other focussed strategies of containment, prevention, early identification, has resulted in higher recoveries and steadily declining mortality.

For details:**IPFT develops new “Disinfectant Sprays” to prevent microbial infections and to decontaminate vegetables and fruits**

Institute of Pesticide Formulation Technology- IPFT an autonomous Institution under the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals, has successfully developed two new technologies namely “Disinfectant spray for surface application” and “Disinfectant spray for Vegetables & fruits.” According to a statement provided by IPFT, the variety of surfaces like door handles, chair armrest, computer keyboard & mouse taps etc. may transmit microbes to the individuals through direct or indirect contact. Keeping this in view IPFT has developed; alcohol based “Disinfectant Spray” for the surface applications containing botanical anti-microbial which may be effective in prevention from various diseases caused by microbes, bacteria and virus.

For details

Indian scientists prepare a web-based COVID predictor to predict the sequence of viruses online

A group of scientists in India is working on genomic sequences of SARS-CoV-2 around the World, including India, to identify genetic variability and potential molecular targets in virus and human to find the best possible answer to combat the COVID 19 virus. Breaking down the novel coronavirus challenge into many pieces to get to its root and see it from multiple directions, Dr. Indrajit Saha, Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering of **National Institute of Technical Teachers’ Training and Research, Kolkata** and his team have developed a web-based COVID-Predictor to predict the sequence of viruses online on the basis of machine learning and analysed 566 Indian SARS-CoV-2 genomes to find the genetic variability in terms of point mutation and Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP).

For details:

INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

- Chandigarh: The Administrator, UT Chandigarh, directed that 10,000 additional Antigen kits may be procured for enhancing testing in UT. He also decided to hand over Infosys Sarai to PGIMER, so that they can utilize it for creating 200 additional beds for Covid patients. The Infosys Sarai will now be utilized as Infectious Disease Hospital, till further orders.
- Haryana: Haryana Health Minister, Mr. Anil Vij said that the State Government has spent an amount of Rs 169.4 crore on the treatment of about 1.44 lakh people under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana. Under this scheme, the people of the state are provided free treatment facilities up to Rs 5 lakh in quality hospitals. He further mentioned that government has also included Covid-19 patients under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana.
- Arunachal Pradesh: Arunachal Pradesh CM condoles the sad demise of Smti Salmi Sangdigouria (38), a healthworker of RK Mission Hospital, Itanagar due to COVID-19 while on duty.
- Assam: In Assam, 1292 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 2251 people discharged yesterday. Total cases rise to 1,41,736, discharged 1,13,133, active 28,158 and death 469.

- Manipur: In Manipur, 144 more people tested positive for COVID-19, active 1638, 89 recoveries with 78 percent recovery rate and 1 patient expired during the last 24 hours.
- Meghalaya: In Meghalaya, total active cases 1623 and total recovered 2075.
- Mizoram: In Mizoram, 14 fresh cases of COVID-19 confirmed yesterday, total tally rises to 1428, active cases 598.
- Nagaland: Nagaland records 19 new cases of COVID-19 out of 563 samples tested on Sunday. A total of 61 persons recovered.
- Kerala: State Public Administration Department has recommended cancelling the holiday on Saturdays in State government offices which was implemented as part of lockdown restrictions. It has also instructed all offices to be fully functional from September 22. A final decision in this regard will be taken at the Covid evaluation meet to be held by Chief Minister. 3,139 new positive cases of Covid-19 were detected in Kerala yesterday. At present, there are 30,072 patients under treatment and 2,04,489 people are under observation across the state. With one more fatality today, the death toll has risen to 440.
- Tamil Nadu: Covid-19 cases in Puducherry has crossed 20,000 with 414 fresh cases and nine deaths reported in the last 24 hours on Monday, taking the total cases to 20,226, active cases to 4805, recovered cases to 15027, and 394 deaths. Amid increasing cases of COVID-19 infections in TN, the Directorate of Medical Education has written to the deans and heads of government medical colleges in the State, instructing them to immediately recall all paramedical students and engage them in Covid related duties in hospitals. Over one lakh aspirants write NEET-2020 exam in Tamil Nadu despite Covid-19 hurdles.
- Karnataka: Mysuru district administration is converting the existing Basappa Memorial Hospital (BMH) on Hunsur Road into an exclusive Covid hospital for senior citizens after the elderly population is found to be the most affected in the district. 1.2 lakh write NEET exams in Karnataka which was conducted with preventive measures in place. The State on Sunday reported 9,894 new cases, the highest so far on a single day, breaking its previous record of 9,860 cases recorded on September 2. Media reports that critical Covid-19 patients are finding it hard to get ICU beds with ventilators under government quota in Bengaluru.
- Andhra Pradesh: Supreme Court stays AP High Court orders in Swarna Palace Covid care centre's fire accident case, gives nod allowing the government to investigate the case. The court said that Dr. Ramesh Babu can be tried without being taken into custody and urged Dr. Ramesh to co-operate in the investigation. On August 9, a huge fire broke out at the Swarna Palace in Vijayawada Covid Center run by Ramesh Hospitals where as many as 10 covid patients died and 20 others injured. The hearing on a petition filed in the High Court alleging that private hospitals are charging exorbitant fees for Covid treatment has been adjourned to next week after the government asked for time to file the counter.
- Telangana: 1417 new cases, 2479 recoveries & 13 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 1417 cases, 264 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,58,513 ; Active cases: 30,532; Deaths: 974; Discharges: 1,27,007. As Corona virus continues to remain active in the State, infecting new persons in its wake, the recoveries have also continued to rise exponentially. Minister of State for Home Affairs G. Kishan Reddy has said that Telangana is not acknowledging the role played by Centre in helping the State to fight Covid.
- Maharashtra: In Mumbai, with the spurt in the number of cases of Covid-19, the MCGM has attributed the surge to scaling up of testing in the city. The Municipal Corporation of Greater

Mumbai said that with the easing of restrictions under phase 4 of 'Mission Begin Again' and 10-day Ganesh festival that concluded earlier this month, the infection rate grew steadily. At present the recovery rate of Mumbai district is 77 per cent and there has been 1.24 per cent rise in cases since over a week. With 30,316 active cases of Covid-19 and around 2 thousand cases reported on a daily basis since the last few days, Mumbai continues to be one of the worst hit cities in the country.

- Gujarat: Ahmedabad police has launched drives against violators of compulsory mask rule. Despite an increase in fine from Rs.500 to Rs.1000 last month, many people in Ahmedabad are not following compulsory mask rules. Police have launched the drive against such rule breakers since last one week. Gujarat has 16,439 active cases.
- Rajasthan: With more Covid-19 patients getting admitted to hospitals complaining breathlessness and requiring oxygen support, the Rajasthan state government is setting up 38 oxygen generation plants in hospitals attached to government medical colleges and district hospitals. Among 38 oxygen generation plants, 17 will have the capacity of filling 90 oxygen cylinders daily, 14 have the capacity of producing 35 to 40 cylinders daily and seven will have the capacity of producing 24 cylinders.
- Madhya Pradesh: Centre has agreed to supply 50 tonnes of oxygen per day to Madhya Pradesh, which is facing oxygen shortage amid a rise in COVID-19 cases. State Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said. He also thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union minister Piyush Goyal for their support to the state during this difficult time of COVID-19 outbreak. Number of active cases in the state is 20,487
- Goa: Chief Minister Pramod Sawant has said that an insurance cover of Rs 50 lakh has been extended to all health workers who are at the forefront of the battle against COVID-19. The insurance cover is provided under the central government's flagship Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana. As of now, COVID-19 patients in the state are being treated at the ESI Hospital in Margao (South Goa), the Goa Medical College and Hospital (GMCH) near Panaji (North Goa) and the Sub-District Hospital in Ponda (South Goa).

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Claim: A Media report has claimed that Home Ministry has ordered reopening of cinema halls across the country from 1st October with the imposition of strict regulations. #PIBFactCheck: This claim is #Fake. No decision has been taken by @HMOIndia on reopening the cinema halls yet

Home Ministry has NOT taken any decision to reopen cinema halls from October 1

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Cinema halls across the country will be open from October 1

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Claim: An order purportedly issued by @RailMinIndia claiming that government will give Productivity Linked Bonus to eligible non-gazetted railway employees in 2019-2020 is making the rounds of social media. #PIBFactCheck: This claim is #Fake. No such order has been issued.

Govt is NOT giving Productivity Linked Bonus to non gazetted Railway employees

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAILWAY BOARD

RRB No.200/2020,
New Delhi, dated: 11.08.2020.

Subject: Payment of Productivity Linked Bonus to eligible non-gazetted Railway employees for the financial year 2019-20.

The President is pleased to sanction Productivity Linked Bonus (PLB) equivalent to 7% (Seventy eight days wages without any ceiling on wages for eligibility for the financial year 2019-2020) to all eligible non-gazetted Railway employees (including all RPF/SPSF personnel). Where wages exceed 7000/- per month, Productivity Linked Bonus will be calculated as if the wages are 7000/- p.m.

- Wages for the purpose of calculating Productivity Linked Bonus shall include 'Basic pay' as defined in the Railway Services (Overhead Pay) Rules, 2016 and dearness allowance drawn during the financial year 2019-2020. Other conditions of eligibility, method of calculation of wages, etc., as provided in the Ministry instructions and classifications issued from time to time, shall remain unchanged.
- It has also been decided that in the case of eligible employees mentioned in Para 1 above who were not placed under suspension, or had not got services interrupted during the financial year 2019-2020 or were on leave whose leave salary admissible is not less than that admissible on leave on average pay, may be paid an amount of ₹ 17,241/- (seventeen thousand two hundred and forty one rupees only) as Productivity Linked Bonus for the financial year 2019-2020. In the case of employees other than those mentioned above, the amount of Productivity Linked Bonus may be calculated in accordance with the recent instructions on the subject.
- Further, in addition to the provisions in Rules 90(2), 90B and 90C of State Railway Payroll Rules, as contained in Chapter 9 of R-1 (198) edition (2003) (latest edition), such of the provisions in the SRPF as are entitled to Productivity Linked Bonus may, if they so desire, deposit the whole or part of the admissible under the Scheme in their respective State Railway Provident Fund Accounts.
- Disbursement of Productivity Linked Bonus for the financial year 2019-2020 to all eligible non-gazetted Railway employees mentioned in Para 1 above should be made on priority in the same month as payment of salary before the coming Paya/Drawsheet holidays.
- This issue with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

(Railway Board Order)

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Claim: Media reports have claimed that #IndianArmy and People's Liberation Army (PLA) engaged in fresh clashes at Pangong Tso near the #LAC on Friday night. #PIBFactCheck: This claim is #Fake. There have been no fresh clashes between @adgpi and #PLA on Friday night.

The media reports of fresh clashes between Indian Army and PLA are **FAKE**

Ladakh Standoff: Fresh clashes at Pangong Tso, Indian Army repulses PLA attack on Black Top

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NDMA has **NOT issued any order to re-impose lockdown from 25th September**

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 Claim: An advertisement allegedly from Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) claims that under #COVID19 Online Education Purpose, students from 8th class to PUC 1 will be given laptops at ₹3,500. #PIBFactCheck: This claim is #Fake. MCA is not associated with any such programme.

This advertisement is FAKE.
MCA is NOT providing laptops for COVID-19 Online Education Purpose

Only For Students From 8th To PUC 1
LAPTOP FOR STUDENT @ Rs.3,500/-
 LAST DATE 25/09/2020

LAVA | LENOVO | ATX

- Windows 10 OS
- Intel Atom Processor
- 32GB HDD Storage
- ATX
- 4GB RAM
- 15.6" Screen
- Audio Card
- Mouse

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 Claim: A viral tweet is claiming that over 80,000 soldiers of #IndianArmy have applied for sick leaves, for the first time in 45 years, amid #IndiaChinaFaceOff. #PIBFactCheck: This claim is #Fake. @adgpi soldiers have not applied for sick leaves amid India-China standoff.

Indian Army soldiers have NOT applied for sick leaves amid India-China Standoff

Over 80,000 soldiers of Indian Army have reportedly applied for sick leaves over fear of China after India-China Ladakh stand off and Firing on LAC, a first in 45 years.

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Claim: An alleged tweet by @IAF_MCC claims that a combat aircraft Rafale jet has crashed near Ambala Airbase due to technical fault and a pilot is martyred. #PIBFactCheck: The image is #Morphed. No such tweet has been posted by IAF. Also, no such incident has taken place. #FakeNews

This picture is MORPHED
IAF did **NOT** post any such tweet



Indian Air Force @IAF_MCC

Very shocked news! During exercise, Rafale has crashed near Ambala Airforce Station due to technical fault and a pilot martyred.

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Villagers are NOT vacating villages near LAC.



Villagers Near McMahon Line In Tawang Vacate Their Village, Move To Safer areas: Reports

by Nandan - September 5, 2020

Recently, Taksang village, situated almost 30-km away from Zemithang circle in Tawang district of Arunachal Pradesh, was vacated by the villagers.

Amid rising tension between India and China in eastern Ladakh, sources have said that villagers near McMahon Line in Tawang, Arunachal Pradesh have vacated their village, reports said.

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- India's Total Recoveries touch 35,42,663, taking the Recovery Rate to 77.65%.
- India's 60% Daily New Recoveries come from 5 States
- Total number of active cases in the country stands at 9,43,480 as on date
- Union Health Ministry urges States/UTs to ensure that no restriction is imposed on movement of Medical Oxygen between States
- Vice President advises people to not become complacent and continue with necessary precautions relating to COVID-19
- Government relaxes existing timeline for submission of Life Certificate
- Expert committee to assist Government for assessment of relief to bank borrowers

(Contains Press releases concerning Covid-19, issued in last 24 hours, inputs from PIB Field Offices and Fact checks undertaken by PIB)





India's 60% Daily New Recoveries come from 5 States, Total number of Recovered Cases nearly 35.5 lakh

India has been continuously reporting high number of recoveries. A total of **70,880** recoveries have been registered in the last 24 hours in the country. Maharashtra has alone contributed more than 14,000 and Andhra Pradesh has contributed more than 10,000 to the single day recoveries. With this, the total number of recoveries has touched **35,42,663** taking the Recovery Rate to **77.65%**. 60% of the new recovered cases are being reported from five States, viz. Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh. **96,551** new cases have been reported in the last 24 hours. Of this, Maharashtra alone has more than 23,000 and Andhra Pradesh has more than 10,000. Nearly **57%** of the new cases are reported from only five States. These are the same States that are also contributing 60% of the new recovered cases. The total number of active cases in the country stands at **9,43,480** as on date. Maharashtra is leading this tally with more than 2,60,000 cases followed by Karnataka with more than 1,00,000 cases. Nearly **74% of the total Active Cases** are in nine most affected States. Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh contribute more than 48% of the total active cases. As many as **1,209** deaths have been registered in the past 24 hours. Maharashtra has reported 495 deaths followed by Karnataka with 129 deaths, whereas Uttar Pradesh has logged 94 deaths.

For details:

Union Health Ministry urges States/UTs to ensure that no restriction is imposed on movement of Medical Oxygen between States

It has come to the knowledge of the Union Health Ministry that few States are trying to curb the free inter-State movement of oxygen supplies by exercising provisions under various Acts and also mandating the manufacturers/suppliers located in the State to restrict their oxygen supplies to only the hospitals of the State. In view of this, the Health Ministry has reiterated the critical importance of Oxygen in hospitals for management of critical COVID patients. In a letter written to the States/UTs, Union Health Secretary has emphasised that availability of adequate and uninterrupted supply of medical oxygen is an important pre-requisite for managing moderate and severe cases of COVID-19. The Health Secretary has urged the States/UTs to ensure that no restriction is imposed on the movement of medical oxygen between them. It has been strongly reinforced that it is every State's responsibility to ensure that every hospitalized COVID patient receives oxygen. Adequate supply of oxygen throughout the country has enabled effective clinical care of the hospitalised moderate and severe cases, in conjunction with other measures. The adopted host of strategies have actively resulted in rising Recovery Rate and steadily declining Case Fatality Rate (1.67% currently). As on date, less than 3.7% of active patients are on oxygen support.

For details:

Serological Testing at CSIR-CDRI, Lucknow for antibodies against Corona Virus (SARS-CoV-2)

CSIR-CDRI (*Central Drug Research Institute*) is carrying out a research study that involves testing of people for antibodies against SARS-CoV-2. The serological testing is conducted from 9th-11th September. The test is VOLUNTARY and free of cost and is open to all CSIR staff and students.

For details:

Prime Minister addresses the Conclave on "School Education in 21st Century" under the NEP 2020

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the Conclave on “School Education in 21st Century” under the NEP 2020 today through video conference. Speaking on the occasion Prime Minister said that National Education Policy is going to give a new direction to 21st century India and we are becoming part of a moment that is laying the foundation for building the future of our country. He said that hardly any aspect of our life remained the same in these three decades yet our education system is still running under the old system. The new National Education Policy is a means to fulfilling new aspirations, new opportunities of a new India, he said.

For details:

[Ahead of the Parliament’s monsoon session, Chairman, Rajya Sabha Shri Venkaiah Naidu undergoes COVID-19 test](#)

Preparing himself to preside over the upcoming Monsoon Session of the Parliament beginning on September 14, 2020, the Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu underwent COVID-19 test today. It is mandatory for each Member to undergo COVID-19 test (RT-PCR) before attending the upcoming Monsoon Session, according to an advisory issued to all Rajya Sabha Members. The Members have been asked to get their test done within 72 hours before the commencement of the Session at any hospital/laboratory authorized by the Government or at Parliament House Complex. For the convenience of the Members, three Test Centres are functioning in Parliament House Annexe from today. The members have also been requested to ensure that their test report is sent in advance to the Rajya Sabha Secretariat via a designated e-mail so as to avoid any inconvenience at the time of their entry into the Parliament House during the Session. Similarly, RT-PCR test has been made mandatory for the employees of Parliament Secretariats and other agencies deployed in Parliament House Complex who remain in close proximity of the Members during the course of performance of their duties.

For details:

[Vice President calls for imparting value-based education, Advises people to not become complacent and continue with necessary precautions relating to COVID-19](#)

The Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu today stressed the need to impart value-based education for all round development of the individual. He called for moving beyond academics and making value-based teaching and learning an integral part of our education system. The Vice President was speaking at the online launch of ‘Heartfulness All India Essay Writing Event’ organized by Shri Ram Chandra Mission in partnership with the United Nations Information Centre for India and Bhutan. This event is held every year to commemorate the United Nations International Day of the Youth between the months of July and November. Shri Naidu lauded the initiative and said that such events stimulate the younger minds and enable them to think positively in their lives. Appreciating the National Education Policy - 2020 for focusing on value-based education, Shri Naidu said that this emphasis on values has been an integral part of all our teachings since ancient times. Drawing attention to the challenging situation caused by COVID-19 pandemic, he observed that nations have shown strong resolve and are working together in emerging out of this strongly and together. Observing that adversity is the time when one’s character is tested, he said that no problem is insurmountable when we work together with strong values. Shri Naidu also said that the pandemic has caused some stress in the people’s mind and the best way to release this is to live together with one’s family and practice meditation. He also appealed to provide succour and help to the needy and marginalized people in times

like the current pandemic. He advised people to not become complacent and continue with necessary precautions and expressed hope that sooner than later the worldwide trials for a vaccine will bear fruit and we will be able to defeat the virus.

For details:

Government relaxes existing timeline for submission of Life Certificate: DrJitendra Singh

Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, DrJitendra Singh said that in a major relief to elderly persons, Government has relaxed the existing timeline for submission of Life Certificate. All Central Government pensioners can submit Life Certificate from 1st November, 2020 to 31st December 2020. Earlier this used to be only for the month of November for maintaining continuity of Pension. However, the pensioners in the age group of 80 years and above, can submit Life Certificate from 1st October, 2020 to 31st December, 2020. During this extended period, the pension will be continued to be paid by the Pension Disbursing Authorities (PDAs) uninterrupted. Dr. Jitendra Singh said that the decision was taken in view of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic and the vulnerability of elderly population to Corona Virus.

For details:

Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah inaugurates and dedicates to the people development schemes in Gandhinagar district and city worth Rs. 15.01 crores via video conferencing

Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah inaugurated and dedicated to the people development schemes in Gandhinagar district and city worth Rs. 15.01 crores via video conferencing yesterday. He also laid the foundation stone of various developmental projects worth Rs. 119.63 crores. This includes Smart City projects, upgradation of gardens, road widening and new classrooms in Girls School. These development projects will give a boost to the development of Gandhinagar. Deputy Chief Minister of Gujarat, Shri Nitin Patel also attended the function via video conferencing from Rupaal village. Speaking on the occasion, Shri Amit Shah said, "I am confident that under the leadership of the Prime Minister Shri NarendraModiji, we all will endeavour to make Gandhinagar a model Lok Sabha constituency." Shri Shah also said that "the nation is fighting a battle against Corona epidemic under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri NarendraModiji". He said as a result of these continuous efforts, there has been a decline in Casualty Rate and the Recovery rate has also improved. The Minister said that "public awareness is the only solution in the fight against Corona". He also appealed to the people to strictly observe Social Distancing.

For details:

Expert committee to assist Government for assessment of relief to bank borrowers

Various concerns have been raised during the proceedings of the ongoing hearing in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in the matter of Gajendra Sharma Vs. UoI and Others, of the matter regarding the relief sought in terms of waiver of interest and waiver of interest on interest and other related issues. **Government has accordingly constituted an Expert Committee for making an overall assessment so that its decisions in this regard are better informed. The Expert Committee has been formed under Shri Rajiv Mehrishi, former CAG of India as Chairperson. The committee will submit its report within one week.**

For details:

We must continue working together to find solutions for common problems resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic : Shri Gangwar

The Minister of State (I/C) for Labour and Employment Shri SantoshGangwar has called upon all G-20 members to continue to work together for finding solutions to the common problems resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Shri Gangwar was speaking at Virtual Meeting of G-20 Labour and Employment Ministers last evening through Video Conferencing. He pointed out that the COVID-19 pandemic has led to a new normal and changed the way we used to function. Referring to region specific measures to contain the impact of COVID-19 pandemic, he underlined that to mitigate the problems of the workers, India encouraged its employers for payment of wages to their workers. Shri Gangwar added that adequate arrangements were made to provide temporary shelters, food and medical facilities to the migrant labourers. In order to facilitate distribution of food grains to migrant workers, Shri Gangwar also informed that Indian Government has launched one nation, one ration card scheme. COVID-19 and its impact have also been discussed in the G20 and the declaration also lists out the measures to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the labour market.

For details:

INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

- Chandigarh: The Administrator, UT Chandigarh, directed all three medical institutions to ramp-up testing, enhance beds and take personal care of critical patients. He also appealed to the public representatives to collect information about symptomatic and suspected cases in their areas and inform the health authorities, so that early detection and treatment will be feasible and fatalities could be reduced. The onus also lies on the citizens to join the battle against Covid. They should join hands with the Administration and co-operate.
- Punjab: Making an emotional appeal to the people of Punjab, Health and Family Welfare Minister Balbir Singh Sidhu urged the people to come forward and undergo Covid testing as delayed reporting by the patients to the hospitals is the cause of concern in this battle against the pandemic. He said that everyone has to play a significant role in this war by remaining vigilant about the precautions which would help them to protect from Covid-19 pandemic as only awareness is vital for keeping the Covid-19 pandemic at bay.
- Maharashtra: Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray has said that in view of the WHO's warning that COVID-19 cases will be on the rise in the coming days, the state government has decided to provide 80 per cent oxygen cylinders to hospitals and 20 per cent to industries. Maharashtra on Thursday recorded its second-highest spike in coronavirus cases at 23,446, which took the case tally to 9,90,795. There are 2.61 lakh active patients, 69,456 of them in Pune district, followed by Thane with 28,460 and Mumbai with 26,629 active patients.
- Gujarat: Over 150 doctors in the state have tested positive for Covid-19. While over a hundred doctors in Rajkot were struck by the Coronavirus, more than 50 doctors working in AMC-run hospitals in Ahmedabad have been affected by it. There are a total of 1,800 doctors on Covid duty right now. Doctors are the frontline warriors right now and their role is most critical in helping citizens fight the pandemic situation. Gujarat added 1,332 new Covid cases on Thursday and the number of active case load at present is 16,198.

- Rajasthan: The Covid-19 positivity rate in the state has risen from 5% in August to over 6% in September. According to health department figures, out of every 100 tests done, five tested positive in August and it is six in September. In August, the average number of tests done daily was 25,407. It is 25,336 in September. The state reported 740 new Covid cases during the last 24 hours taking the total tally to 98,116. Out of this, 16,427 are active cases.
- Madhya Pradesh: Staring at a shortage of oxygen supply as the Covid-19 graph climbs higher, the Madhya Pradesh government has announced setting up a new plant for manufacturing oxygen at Hoshangabad and other short-term measures to increase its import and in-house industrial production. The move comes days after Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray directed all oxygen production units to curtail export of oxygen and store about 80 per cent of its production for the state's requirements. The active case load of Covid 19 patients in the state is 18,433.
- Kerala: An all-party meeting, convened by CM Pinarayi Vijayan has decided to ask the Election Commission to defer the by-elections to two assembly seats. The leaders pointed out that there will be just three months for the elected legislators to work effectively as the present Assembly's term ends in May 2021. They also cited the severity of the Covid-19 pandemic spread in the state as well as the financial burden. The all-party meet also decided to request the state election commission to postpone the local has-self-government polls in November, in the wake of rising Covid cases. Industries Minister E P Jayarajan has tested positive for Covid-19. Kochi based PNB Vesper Life science has received approval from the DCGI for second stage of drug trials of Covid vaccine. 3349 people tested positive for Covid-19 in the state yesterday. At present, 26,229 patients are undergoing and a total of 2.04 lakh people under quarantine across the state. The death toll is 396.
- Tamil Nadu: In Puducherry, 504 more people tested positive for Covid-19 and 12 died in the last 24 hours ending 10 am on Friday. There are 4878 active cases in the UT now with the total Covid count reaching 19026 and deaths touching 365. TN Health Minister C. Vijayabaskar said the test positivity rate in the State is less than 10 per cent, except in Krishnagiri and Cuddalore districts where the positivity rate is 11.7 percent. He added that in districts where cases are high, the govt is conducting fever camps, and doing aggressive testing and also tracing for Influenza-Like-Illness cases. As the State plans to partially reopen schools, Tamil Nadu schools are considering classes on rotation basis to ensure social distance.
- Karnataka: Six months after State reported first Covid case, the number of active cases crossed one lakh yesterday and touched 1,01,537. HC stays Karnataka govt's order to defer payment of Variable Dearness Allowance under the Minimum Wages Act by employers to employees from April 01, 2020 to March 31, 2021. To address the issue of Covid test samples piling up in some districts and reports of government hospitals running out of oxygen supply, CM BS Yediyurappa has called for an inter-district coordination effort. Karnataka's health experts have stated that they will continue with plasma therapy as it has been found effective in the state despite the ICMR study suggesting to the contrary.
- Andhra Pradesh: Close to 20 percent of the 5.34 crore population in Andhra Pradesh has acquired immunity to Covid-19, a Sero prevalence study has revealed. The survey findings reveal that 22.5 percent population in urban areas and 18.2 per cent in rural acquired immunity for Covid-19. Interestingly, the survey revealed that 90 to 100 per cent of the positives were asymptomatic. Chittoor district authorities appointed an expert committee to probe into the causes of increasing Covid-19 deaths and to conduct an audit into pandemic death toll in the district. While almost 510 deaths occurred in the district so far, Tirupati accounts for 174 which is a cause of concern. District Collector directed the officials not to allow those above 50 years of age for home isolation.

- **Telangana:** 2426 new cases, 2324 recoveries & 13 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2426 cases, 338 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,52,602; Active cases: 32,195; Deaths: 940; Discharges: 1,19,467. International air travel between Hyderabad and Dubai resumes; this gives a big boost to the air travel, which is now showing signs of recovery amidst Covid-19 pandemic outbreak. Telangana High Court asks State government if it can hold PG exams online.
- **Arunachal Pradesh:** Arunachal Pradesh has recorded 127 new positive cases of Covid-19. 99 people recovered from Covid-19 yesterday. Itanagar bench of the Gauhati High Court directed the Itanagar Capital Region district administration to take steps for providing psychosocial support to the inmates at Covid Care Centre in Lekhi.
- **Assam:** In Assam during the last 24 hours 2197 COVID-19 patients discharged. Total 105701 COVID-19 patients discharged after recovery till date. The total active cases reached 29687 in the state.
- **Manipur:** In Manipur 108 more persons test COVID-19 positive. There were 245 recoveries with 77 percent recovery rate. There are 1633 active cases in the state. 4 patients have expired during the last 24 hours. Government has started eSanjeevaniOPD app downloadable from Google Play store for online consultations on Covid19 related medical needs.
- **Meghalaya:** In Meghalaya the total COVID-19 active cases reached to 1434. Out of them 272 are from BSF and Armed Forces. 1842 COVID-19 patients have been recovered so far.
- **Mizoram:** Mizoram government announces partial lockdown in Aizawl municipal area till 17th September 2020. 20 new cases of COVID-19 confirmed in Mizoram yesterday. Total COVID-19 cases reached to 1353 in the state. Out of them 603 are active cases.
- **Nagaland:** In the state of Nagaland more areas sealed in Kohima following detection of new COVID 19 positive cases. Houses at Zeinoubadze colony, P Khel, Lower Naga Bazar, Officers Hill & Jail Colony are sealed.

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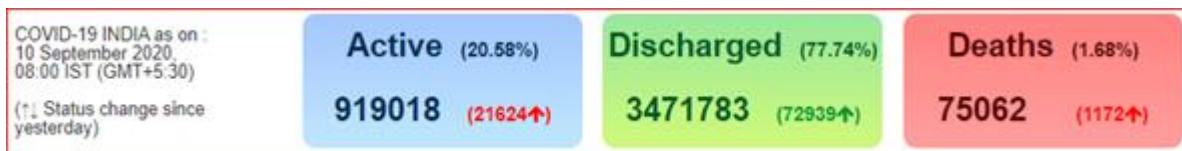
PIB'S DAILY BULLETIN ON COVID-19

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(Contains Press releases concerning Covid-19, issued in last 24 hours, inputs from PIB Field Offices and Fact checks undertaken by PIB).





India's 60% Total Cases in 5 Most Affected States

A total of **95,735** new cases have been reported in the last 24 hours in the country. **60%** of the total cases are reported from only five States. Maharashtra has alone contributed more than 23,000 and Andhra Pradesh has contributed more than 10,000. The total number of active

cases in the country stands at **9,19,018**, as on date. **More than 74%** of the Total Active Cases are in 9 most affected States. Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh presently contribute 49% of total active cases. Maharashtra is leading this tally with more than 2,50,000 whereas Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh follow with more than 97,000 each. A total of **1,172** deaths have been registered in the past 24 hours. **32%** of deaths reported yesterday are from Maharashtra with 380 deaths followed by Karnataka with 128 deaths, and Tamil Nadu with 78 deaths. Of the total deaths, 69% are concentrated in five States/UT of Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Delhi and Andhra Pradesh.

For details:

Health Ministry urges States/UTs to Mandatorily retest all Symptomatic Negative Cases of Rapid Antigen Tests through RT-PCR

Union Health Ministry has noted that in some large States, symptomatic negative cases tested by Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) are not being followed up by RT-PCR testing. The Guidelines of ICMR as well as the Union Health Ministry clearly state that the following two specific categories of persons must necessarily be retested through RT-PCR tests: All symptomatic (fever or cough or breathlessness) negative cases of RAT and Asymptomatic negative cases of RAT that develop symptoms within 2 to 3 days of being tested negative. In this background, the Union Health Ministry and ICMR have jointly written to all the States/UTs and urged them to ensure that the all symptomatic negative cases of RAT are mandatorily retested using the RT-PCR test. This is necessary to ensure that such symptomatic negative cases do not remain untested and do not spread the disease among their contacts. It has also been reiterated in the joint letter that while the RAT is being used to increase access and availability of testing in the field, RT-PCR remains the gold standard of COVID tests. The Union Health Ministry has also urged the States/UTs to urgently establish a monitoring mechanism in every district (a designated officer or a team) and at the State level to follow up such cases. They have also been advised to undertake an analysis on a regular basis to monitor the incidence of positives during the RT-PCR tests conducted as a follow up.

For details:

73rd session of WHO South East Asia Region-Dr. Harsh Vardhan addresses the Ministerial Round Table Session on COVID-19 Emergency Preparedness

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare attended the 73rd session of WHO South East Asia Region through video conference, here today. Representing India, Dr. Harsh Vardhan offered two interventions in the ministerial round table session on COVID-19 Emergency Preparedness. He first spoke on the three important interventions that were applied to manage COVID – 19 and maintain essential non – COVID health services in India. He later expounded on the strategies that are being applied to ensure that there are increased investments in health and health emergency preparedness and response as well as in International Health Regulation core capacities to prevent future pandemics, in the second

round of interventions. Speaking on India's public health measures to prevent and contain spread of SARS nCoV - 2 since January 2020, he outlined the measures undertaken by the Government of India.

For details:

73rd session of WHO South East Asia Region- Member States adopt Declaration on the collective response to COVID-19 in South-East Asia Region

At the conclusion of the 73rd session of WHO South East Asia Region held under the Chairmanship of Mr. Anutin Charnvirakul, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Health, Thailand, the Health Ministers of the member states agreed to the SEAR Member States' Declaration on the collective response to COVID-19 in South-East Asia Region.

For details:

Telephone Conversation between Prime Minister and His Majesty the King of Saudi Arabia

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi spoke on phone with His Majesty King Salman Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud. The two leaders exchanged views on the global challenges in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. Prime Minister expressed his appreciation for the leadership provided by Saudi Arabia during its ongoing Presidency of the G20 grouping. The leaders agreed that the initiatives taken at the level of the G20 had helped in promoting a coordinated response to the pandemic. The two leaders expressed their satisfaction at the state of bilateral relations between India and Saudi Arabia, and committed to further strengthen cooperation in all areas. Prime Minister expressed his special thanks to His Majesty King Salman for the support provided to Indian expatriates by the Saudi authorities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For details:

Chairman, Rajya Sabha conducts mock session of the House to ensure a smooth beginning of Monsoon Session

Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, yesterday took stock of the entire gamut of special arrangements put in place for holding the Monsoon Session of Parliament summoned from Monday, the 14th September. A mock session of the House was conducted, with him in the Chair, and the Chamber and the four galleries of the House occupied by the staff of the Secretariat as per the seating arrangements already earmarked keeping in view the social distancing norms. Staff members were also made to sit in and participate from the Chamber of the Lok Sabha, which becomes a part of the House for the entire session. Chairman, Shri Naidu, expressed satisfaction over the arrangements made. Shri Naidu advised the senior officials of the Secretariat to ensure that all the guidelines issued by the Ministries of Home and

Health & Family Welfare have to be followed very scrupulously. He also directed the officials to remind Hon'ble Members through an advisory about the health protocols to be observed by them before and during the upcoming session.

For details:

Finance Minister unveils Doorstep Banking Services and declares EASE 2.0 Index Results

Union Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs Smt. **Nirmala Sitharaman** yesterday inaugurated **Doorstep Banking Services by PSBs and participated in the awards ceremony to felicitate best performing banks on EASE Banking Reforms Index**. As part of the EASE Reforms, Doorstep Banking Services is envisaged to provide convenience of banking services to the customers at their door step through the universal touch points of Call Centre, Web Portal or Mobile App. Customers can also track their service request through these channels. The services shall be rendered by the Doorstep Banking Agents deployed by the selected Service Providers at 100 centres across the country. At present only non-financial services viz. Pick up of negotiable instruments (cheque / demand draft / pay order, etc.), Pick up new cheque book requisition slip, Pick up of 15G / 15H forms, Pick up of IT / GST challan, Issue request for standing instructions, Request for account statement, Delivery of non-personalised cheque book, demand draft, pay order, Delivery of term deposit receipt, acknowledgement, etc., Delivery of TDS / Form 16 certificate issuance, Delivery of pre-paid instrument / gift card are available to customers. Financial services shall be made available from October 2020. The services can be availed by customers of Public Sector Banks at nominal charges.

For details:

Ayush-based Nutrition Solutions to be highlighted in the Poshan Maah observation

Nutrition solutions based on traditional healthcare wisdom will be an integral part of the *Poshan Maah* celebrations during the month of September 2020. This will further accelerate various activities under *POSHAN Abhiyaan*, while adhering to COVID-19 protocols. *POSHAN Abhiyaan* (National Nutrition Mission) is the Prime Minister's overarching Scheme for Holistic Nourishment, and was launched by him on 8th March, 2018. Experts from indigenous systems of Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani will be co-opted to provide guidance on good nutrition, complementary feeding etc. The Ministry of AYUSH will initiate and coordinate special measures for this, through the network of its Autonomous Bodies as well as through Stakeholders like Ayush Educational Institutions. The Ministry will customise its ongoing awareness campaign during the month by focusing on the theme "*Ahara*" which is directly related to the subject of nutrition, and reach out to the public with targeted messages.

For details:

DST's journey of catalyzing innovation, entrepreneurship and incubation report launched

A report on the journey of the National Science and Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board (NSTEDB) in catalyzing innovation, entrepreneurship, and incubation was launched by the Secretary Department of Science and Technology, Professor Ashutosh Sharma at an online programme earlier this week. The report also indicates a fivefold increase in investments raised by the seed supported startups as a follow on funding from angels, venture capitals, and other stakeholders with significant valuation gains. Overall, NSTEDB approach has leveraged the technological strength of the higher learning institutes to the benefit of the startups through a network of academic incubators seeded and supported by it. It has led to an effective incubation support system that led to success of these fledgling startups. The collective strength and power of NIDHI program, the DST Incubator network and its startups was tested successfully during the COVID 19 pandemic through the Centre for Augmenting WAR with COVID-19 Health Crisis (**CAWACH**) program by supporting various solutions to resolve the crisis.

For details:

INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

- Arunachal Pradesh: 147 new COVID-19 positive cases detected in Arunachal Pradesh while 183 recovered and were discharged. There are 1,630 active cases.
- Assam: In Assam, 2,265 patients are discharged yesterday. Total discharged patients 1,03,504 & active patients 29,163, State Health Minister informed.
- Manipur: 160 more persons test COVID-19 positive in Manipur. There were 64 recoveries with 75 percent recovery rate. There are 1,774 active cases.
- Meghalaya: In Meghalaya, 107 individuals have recovered from coronavirus yesterday. Total active cases 1,355, total BSF and Armed Forces 280, total others 1,075 & total recovered 1,823.
- Mizoram: 141 new cases of COVID-19 confirmed in Mizoram yesterday. Total cases 1,333, active cases 583.
- Nagaland: Nagaland govt. issues revised SOPs for returnees and travellers in supersession of all earlier SOPs. Points of entry to state identified. Of Nagaland's 130 fresh positive cases detected on Wednesday, 64 cases are in Kohima, 63 in Dimapur, 2 in Mon & 1 in Mokokchung.
- Sikkim: Sikkim recorded 31 new COVID-19 positive cases; the State's active Covid tally is now 527. So far, 1,470 persons in Sikkim have been discharged from various Covid care centres. Total confirmed cases stand at 1,989.
- Maharashtra: The state reported an all-time high of 23,816 new cases of coronavirus on Wednesday and with that, the state's tally has now climbed to 9,67,349. Also, 325 people succumbed to the infection, taking the death toll due to COVID-19 in the state to 27,732 and the number of active cases to 2,52,734 as per the latest information shared by the state health department. Mumbai on Wednesday reported 2,227 new cases and with that, the case count of the Maximum City climbed to 1,60,744. Also, 43 patients succumbed to the virus taking the


death toll to 7,982. On the contrary, as many as 1,26,745 patients have recovered till date and the number of active cases in the city is now pitched at 25,659.

- Gujarat: The state BJP president and Navsari MP C R Paatil, has tested positive for Covid-19. Gujarat reported 1,329 new cases on Wednesday and the state has an active case load of 16,296.
- Madhya Pradesh: In Madhya Pradesh, Covid recovery rate has improved to 76 per cent. The fatality rate has also come down to 1.4 per cent from 2.4 per cent. Meanwhile, the number of COVID-19 cases in the state climbed up to 79,192 after record 1,869 new cases were reported in the past 24 hours. There are now 17,702 active cases in the state.
- Goa: The 250 bed Covid treatment facility at the South Goa District Hospital in Goa will start functioning from Friday. The Goa Government took decision to convert 250 of 500 beds in the Madgaon hospital as a direct consequence to the spike in the number of coronavirus cases in the state. Presently there is an active Covid case load of 4,833 patients who are being treated at the ESI Hospital in Madgaon, Goa Medical College Hospital in Bambolim near Panaju and the Sub-District Hospital in Ponda.
- Kerala: State Health Minister K.K. Shylaja has warned that the Covid-19 death toll in the State may go up with further lifting of restrictions. She pointed out that if the infection spreads more, then ventilators could become scarce as already there is a shortage of the equipment. The Minister urged that precaution should be taken to prevent the spread of the disease in colonies. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan has called an all-party meeting tomorrow to reach a consensus on cancelling the by-election to two assembly seats. Meanwhile, three more people succumbed to the virus in the state today taking the death toll to 387. Kerala recorded a new high of Covid-19 cases yesterday with 3,402 new infections. At present, 24,549 patients are undergoing treatment and a total of 2.02 lakh people are under observation across the state.
- Tamil Nadu: Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami said that any decision on reopening of schools in the State would be taken considering the preparedness of the parents. No online classes for school students in Tamil Nadu from September 21 to 25. Tamil Nadu School Education Minister K.A. Sengottaiyan said a vacation for students has been planned to help reduce their stress levels. 5,584 persons tested positive in Tamil Nadu yesterday with 6,516 getting discharged; State recorded 78 deaths, taking its toll to 8,090; 14 districts see 100-plus cases.
- Karnataka: State Animal Husbandry Minister Prabhu Chavan tests positive for Covid-19. The Karnataka High Court on Wednesday directed the state-level expert committee on Covid to submit a report regarding facilities at private hospitals and Covid Care Centres. The government is further ramping up testing facilities to contain Covid, that is fast spreading to small towns, even as cities too continue to report a high number of cases. Oxford vaccine trials halted in UK, but JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research in Mysuru where the trials are going fine, is awaiting correspondence regarding the continuation of the trial.
- Andhra Pradesh: Visakhapatnam district was ranked first in a survey conducted on the facilities being provided in 19 specified areas of Covid hospitals across the state. Medical and Health Department conducted the survey in government as well as private hospitals, in the areas of doctors in the ICU, oxygen beds, discharges, food, sanitation, infrastructure, beds, etc. The Nellore district administration has deployed a 'Sanjeevini' bus at the Sriharikota space


centre to beef-up Covid-19 testing, as 47 fresh Covid cases were reported in Satish Dhawan Space Centre on Wednesday.

- Telangana: Covid-19 cases in Telangana breach 1.5 lakh mark with 2534 new cases, 2071 recoveries & 11 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2534 cases, 327 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,50,176; Active cases: 32,106; Deaths: 927; Discharges :1,17,143. The Telangana government which has unveiled the first ever incentive programme for Covid-19 warriors in the country might continue the additional financial benefit for a few more months. The State government will constitute a task force to rein in private hospitals, which are fleecing Covid-19 patients, Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao said in the Assembly today.

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- India sees an unprecedented surge in Recoveries, Nearly 75,000 recoveries in last 24 hours
- Total number of Recovered Cases nearly 34 lakh
- Total number of active cases in the country stands at 8,97,394
- India continues to scale new heights in COVID-19 tests, Over 11.5 lakh tests conducted in the last 24 hour
- 1678 labs including 1040 labs in the government sector and 638 private labs are undertaking Covid tests
- Prime Minister asks Street Vendors to maintain cleanliness and follow all the measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19, as this would help them increase their business

(Contains Press releases concerning Covid-19, issued in last 24 hours, inputs from PIB Field Offices and Fact checks undertaken by PIB).





India continues to scale new heights in COVID-19 tests, Over 11.5 lakh tests conducted in the last 24 hour

On the day when India has registered the highest single day recoveries of nearly 75,000, it continues to set a record in testing too. More than **11.5 lakh** COVID samples have been tested in the last 24 hours. India is one of the few countries that have reported very high numbers of daily testing. The daily testing capacity has already crossed 11 lakh. With 11,54,549 tests conducted in the last 24 hours, India has further strengthened the national diagnostic capacity. With this achievement, the cumulative tests have crossed **5.18 crore** (5,18,04,677). Timely diagnosis through higher levels of country-wide testing has facilitated lower mortality rates (1.69% today) and speedy recovery. The Tests Per Million have seen a sharp increase to 37,539. It continues to maintain the constant upward trend. From one testing lab in Pune in January 2020, today the country stands strengthened with **1678** labs including **1040** labs in the government sector and **638** private labs.

For details:

India sees an unprecedented surge in Recoveries, Nearly 75,000 recoveries in last 24 hours, Total number of Recovered Cases nearly 34 lakh

In the last 24 hours, India has scaled a new high of recoveries. The total number of recovered patients in a single day has surged to a record **74,894**. With this, the total number of recoveries has touched **33,98,844** taking the Recovery Rate to **77.77%**. The total number of recoveries on a weekly basis has increased from 1,53,118 during the third week of July to 4,84,068 in the first week of September 2020. A total of **89,706** new cases have been reported in the last 24 hours, of which Maharashtra has alone contributed more than 20,000 and Andhra Pradesh has contributed more than 10,000. 60% of the new cases are reported from only 5 States. The total number of active cases in the country stands at **8,97,394** as on date. Maharashtra is leading this tally with more than 2,40,000 whereas Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh follow with more than 96,000 each. Five States of Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu contribute 61% of the total active cases. A total of **1,115** deaths have been registered in the past 24 hours. Maharashtra has reported 380 deaths followed by Karnataka with 146 deaths, whereas Tamil Nadu has logged 87 deaths.

For details:

Dr. Harsh Vardhan attends 73rd session of WHO South East Asia Region through Video Conferencing

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare digitally attended the 73rd session of WHO South East Asia Region today. This is the first time the two-day event is being held entirely through virtual platforms owing to the COVID pandemic. Representing India in the meet, Dr. Harsh Vardhan highlighted the giant strides the country had made under the guidance of Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi to protect the lives and livelihood of its citizens from the pandemic and “left no stones unturned to contain and mitigate the virus.” Speaking on the multi-faceted and multi-sectoral nature of health governance that demands linkages to solutions, resources and interventions to deliver tangible benefits, he said, “The Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan, Housing for All by 2022, Nutrition Mission, Skill

Development, Smart Cities, Eat Right India, Fit India and many such multi-sectoral initiatives have been launched which are bringing us dividends in terms of elevating the quality of life of our people thereby elevating their health condition.”

For details:

PM holds 'Svanidhi Samvaad' with street vendors from Madhya Pradesh

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi held 'Svanidhi Samvaad' with street vendors from Madhya Pradesh. The Government of India had launched PM Svanidhi scheme on 1st June, 2020 to help poor street vendors, impacted by COVID-19, resume livelihood activities. 4.5 lakh street vendors were registered in Madhya Pradesh, out of which acceptance has been granted to around 1.4 lakh street vendors of amount worth Rs 140 crore. Speaking on the occasion, Prime Minister praised the efforts of the Street Vendors to bounce back and appreciated their self - confidence, perseverance and hard work. The Prime Minister said any calamity first affects the poor impacting their jobs, food and savings. He referred to the tough times when most of the poor migrants had to return to the villages. The Prime Minister asked the Street Vendors to maintain cleanliness and follow all the measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. This he said would help them increase their business.

For details:

Text of Prime Minister's interaction with street vendors from Madhya Pradesh

For details:

PM to launch Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana on 10th September

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will digitally launch the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) on 10th September. Prime Minister will also launch e-Gopala App, a comprehensive breed improvement marketplace and information portal for direct use of farmers. Several other initiatives in the fisheries and animal husbandry sectors in Bihar will also be launched by the Prime Minister on the occasion. PMMSY is a flagship scheme for focused and sustainable development of fisheries sector in the country with an estimated investment of Rs. 20,050 crores for its implementation during a period of 5 years from FY 2020-21 to FY 2024-25 in all States/Union Territories, as a part of AatmaNirbhar Bharat Package. The investment of Rs. 20,050 crores under PMMSY is the highest ever in the fisheries sector. Out of this, an investment of about Rs 12340 crores is proposed for beneficiary-oriented activities in Marine, Inland fisheries and Aquaculture and about Rs 7710 crores investment for Fisheries Infrastructure.

For details:

Webinar on Scientific & Technological Interventions by CSIR-CMERI combating COVID-19 under Jigyasa programme

CSIR-CMERI Durgapur in association with Samagra Siksha, Department of School Education, Jammu & Kashmir organized a webinar yesterday on Scientific & Technological Interventions by CSIR-CMERI combating COVID-19 as a part of the 'Jigyasa' programme.

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Khadi's E-Market Portal Goes Viral; Indians Go Vocal for Local

Khadi and Village Industry Commission's (KVIC) venture into the online marketing segment has quickly established a pan-India reach enabling the artisans sell their products to the remotest parts of India through the KVIC E-Portal - www.kviconline.gov.in/khadimask/. The online sale that was launched with just Khadi Face Masks on July 7 this year has evolved into a full-fledged E-market platform with 180 products as on today and many more in the pipeline. KVIC is adding at least 10 new products to its online inventory on a daily basis and it has set a target of adding at least 1000 products by October 2 this year. In less than two months' time, KVIC has served nearly 4000 customers.

For details:

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- Punjab: With a view to strengthen screening of the population for timely detection of corona virus positive patients to contain the spread of pandemic, Punjab Government has decided to allow private hospitals/clinics/labs to conduct Rapid Antigen Testing (RAT) for COVID-19 after empanelment with District Health Authorities.
- Maharashtra: For the first time in more than three months, the novel Coronavirus numbers in Maharashtra have now started to grow at a faster rate than the country as a whole. The daily growth rate (seven-day compounded rate) in Maharashtra has gone up to 2.21 per cent, while at the national level this has remained at 2.14 per cent. From a level of about 10,000 to 12,000 cases per day, Maharashtra has beginning to report more than 20,000 cases now. Maharashtra itself seems to be driven by Pune, which has been reporting more than 4,000 cases for the last few days, the highest in the country. The number of active cases in Maharashtra is 2,43,809. According to data given by the Municipal authorities, 7,099 buildings have been sealed in the city, while the number of containment zones is 568. Meanwhile, Maharashtra Government has directed all Oxygen manufacturing units in the state to allocate 80% of their production for medical purposes. It has stationed teams of government officials drawn from the Food & Drug Administration Department, Excise Department and Police at oxygen manufacturing units, in the wake of instances of black marketing being reported.
- Gujarat: A fire broke out at the Vadodara Municipal Corporation-run SSG hospital on Tuesday night where 272 Covid-19 positive patients were undergoing treatment. The fire broke out in one of the ICU wards on the first floor of the Covid-19 isolation building, caused by a short circuit in the wiring of one

of the ventilators in the ICU. Though no one was injured, all 39 patients from the ICU ward have been evacuated.

- Rajasthan: The Rajasthan Chief Minister Shri Ashok Gehlot has cancelled all meetings for a month on the advice of doctors. During this period, he will only hold video conferences for governance. The announcement comes in the wake of more than 40 employees of CM residence and office testing positive for Covid. These include policemen and Rajasthan Armed Constabulary jawans posted as CM's security.
- Madhya Pradesh: The Madhya Pradesh government has announced free of cost Covid-19 test for all in the state. The decision was taken in a state cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, who has also decided to increase the number of fever clinics in the state. It has also been decided in the meeting that number of oxygen beds will be increased with additional 3,700 beds, after which, the number of oxygen beds will reach to 11,700.
- Chhattisgarh: The Covid-19 tally in Chhattisgarh has crossed the 50,000-mark and reached 50,114 with 2,545 fresh cases. The toll from the pandemic has gone up to 407 in the state, which now has 26,915 active cases. Around 40% of cases reported are from rural areas.
- Arunachal Pradesh: In Arunachal Pradesh, 221 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and one death in the state. Active cases 1670 and recovery rate 69.42 %. A total of 9 people have lost their lives due to COVID-19 so far.
- Assam: In Assam, 2579 more people tested positive for COVID-19 yesterday and discharged 2166 people. Total cases 1,30,823, active 29,203 and total discharged 101239.
- Manipur: In Manipur, 96 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 126 recoveries with 76 percent recovery rate. There are 1679 active cases.
- Mizoram: In Mizoram, 69 new cases of COVID-19 confirmed yesterday. Total cases 1192, active cases 447 and 745 patients recovered so far.
- Nagaland: In Nagaland, Dimapur DC issues safety guidelines for goods & passenger vehicles. All drivers/helpers of goods carriers to be screened at entry and passenger vehicles to maintain log book for travellers. Break up of the state's 4245 positive cases: armed forces account for 1823 cases, returnees 1312, frontline workers 309 & traced contacts 801.
- Kerala: The State Health Department has decided to increase Covid-19 testing in the districts of Malappuram, Kasargod, Thiruvananthapuram and Ernakulam. A report of the health department points out that Covid-19 death rates are higher in Kannur, Thiruvananthapuram and Kozhikode. The death rate in these districts during the month of August is higher than the State's average. The interval after which cases double in the State has increased to 27.9 days. Meanwhile, 108 inmates of a destitute home in the capital tested positive today. Kerala's Covid cases crossed 3000 mark for second time yesterday, with 3,026 new ones taking the total number of active cases in the state to 23,217. As many as 1.98 lakh people are under observation across the State. The official death toll has risen to 372.
- Tamil Nadu: Chennai Metro extends operations till 9 pm from Thursday considering several requests from the public; Phase-1 extension of the metro to be ready by December which was earlier to be inaugurated by June after the work was hit due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Four divisions in Alandur are Chennai's new hotspots; in Chennai Alandur has the highest number of active cases, 13 per cent as on Monday. 5684 new cases, 6599 discharges & 87 deaths reported yesterday. Total cases reported in TN : 4,74,940; Active cases: 50,213; Deaths: 8012; Discharges: 4,16,715; Active cases in Chennai: 11,029.
- Karnataka: Deputy Chief Minister Dr.C.N.Ashwatha Narayana, who is also the Minister for the Department of Electronics & IT, today launched 22 products which would help to mitigate the Covid-19

pandemic. Among these, 6 products were supervised by the Bengaluru Bio-Innovation Center (BBC) under the aegis of Karnataka Innovation and Technology Society (KITS), and 16 products were supervised by others. Speaker Vishwsha Hegde Kageri said that Covid test must for those who attending legislative session starting from September 21.

- Andhra Pradesh: To quicken the process of Covid-19 treatment, Andhra Pradesh has launched a plasma donation drive, as part of which a database of all the eligible recovered patients is being maintained. Each donor will be rewarded with Rs 5,000 to encourage others. At present, the State has 37,000 potential plasma donors and the process of taking their consent is going on. The state is currently conducting 65,000 to 70,000 Covid-19 tests every day and spending Rs 15 crore per day (approx.) for all Covid-related arrangements including food, lodging, medicines and tests.
- Telangana: 2479 new cases, 2485 recoveries & 10 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2479 cases, 322 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,47,642; Active cases: 31,654; Deaths: 916; Discharges: 1,15,072. Osmania General Hospital's junior doctors have boycotted OPD, elective surgeries and ward duties indefinitely until their demands of having basic amenities such as monitors in post operative wards to see vitals & oxygen supply are met. CM KCR announces task force to regulate Covid treatment in Corporate Sector. In view of the hurdles created by the Covid pandemic, the Registrar of Companies for Telangana under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs on Tuesday granted a three-month extension to companies from the State to hold their AGM for the last financial year.

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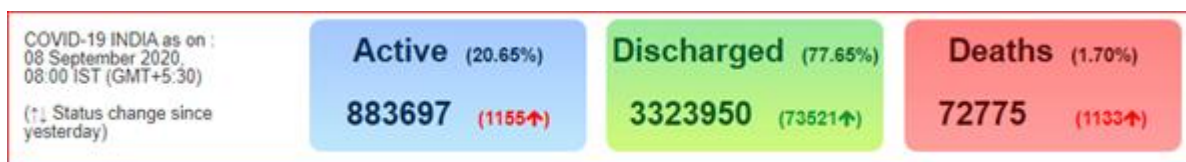
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- Total Recovered
- India scales a new peak of 5 cr total COVID tests
- Tests Per Million on a continuous rise, pegged at 36,703 today
- India's Case Fatality Rate is maintained below the global average , standing at 1.70% today
- 'eSanjeevani' telemedicine service records 3 lakh tele-consultations with 1 lakh tele-consultations in the last 20 days
- More than 42 crore poor people received financial assistance of Rs 68,820 crore under PMGKP

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India's Total Recoveries exceed 33 lakh; More than 77% of Total Cases have recovered

More than **77%** of the total cases of COVID-19 have recovered so far in India. The total number of recoveries has crossed 33 lakh (**3,323,950**). The single day recoveries are also touching a new high. **73,521** COVID-19 patients have recovered and been discharged in the

last 24 hours. The number of recovered patients has outpaced the active cases (**8,83,697**) by more than **24 lakh**, and are more than **3.7 times** the active cases. India's Case Fatality Rate (CFR) is maintained below the global average and it stands at **1.70%** today.

India scales a new peak of 5 cr total COVID tests, Tests Per Million on a continuous rise, pegged at 36,703 today

India has scaled another peak- the cumulative tests have surpassed 5 crore today. India has come a long way from conducting just one test from the lab at National Institute of Virology, Pune in January 2020 to total **5,06,50,128** by today. **10,98,621** tests were conducted in the last 24 hours testifying the enlarged testing capacity in the country. The average daily tests conducted (week wise) are demonstrating a consistent increase. This has registered a 3.2 times expansion from third week of July (**3,26,971**) to first week of September (**10,46,470**). Expanding network of diagnostic labs has given a boost to Tests per Million. The TPM have seen a sharp rise from **6396 on 1st of July to 36,703 as of today**. The testing lab network in the country is continuously strengthened which as on today consists of **1668** labs in the country; **1035** labs in the government sector and **633** private labs.

For details:

Union Health Ministry's 'eSanjeevani' telemedicine service records 3 lakh tele-consultations, 1 lakh tele-consultations conducted in the last 20 days

'eSanjeevani' telemedicine service, the platform of the Health Ministry providing tele-consultations, has completed 3 lakh tele-consultations. Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare presided over a meet to commemorate the platform's completion of 1.5 lakh on 9th of August. The platform has registered double that number of consultations within a month since then. One lakh of these tele-consultations were held in the last 20 days. The platform had completed the first 1,00,000 consultations on 23 July 2020, and the subsequent 1,00,000 on 18 August 2020 within a span of 26 days. Ensuring physical distancing, the telemedicine service connects doctors with patients. eSanjeevani platform supports two types of telemedicine services viz. Doctor-to-Doctor (eSanjeevani) and Patient-to-Doctor (eSanjeevani OPD) Tele-consultations. The former is an important pillar of the Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centre (AB-HWCs) programme. The Health Ministry rolled out the second tele-consultation service 'eSanjeevaniOPD' enabling patient-to-doctor telemedicine on 13th April of this year owing to the COVID-19 pandemic. This has proved a boon in containing the spread of COVID while simultaneously enabling provisions for non-COVID essential healthcare. eSanjeevani has been implemented by 23 States so far and other States are in the process of rolling it out. Tamil Nadu alone has contributed 97,204 consultations and all are on the eSanjeevaniOPD app. Uttar Pradesh is second with 65,173 total consultations.

For details:

Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package - Progress so Far, More than 42 crore poor people received financial assistance of Rs 68,820 crore under PMGKP

As part of the Rs 1.70 lakh crore **Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP)**, the Government announced free food grains and cash payment to women and poor senior citizens and farmers. The swift implementation of the package is being continuously monitored by Central and State governments. Around **42 crore** poor people received financial assistance of **Rs 68,820 crore** under the PMGKP. So far **Rs 17,891 crore** front loaded towards payment of the first instalment of PM-KISAN to **8.94 crore** beneficiaries, **Rs 10,325 crore** credited to **20.65 crore (100%)** women Jan Dhan account holders as first installment. **Rs. 10,315 crore credited to 20.63 crore (100%)** women Jan Dhan account holders with second installment. **Rs. 10,312 crore credited to 20.62 crore (100%)** women Jan Dhan account holders with third installment. **Total Rs 2,814.5 crore**

disbursed to about 2.81 crore old age persons, widows and disabled persons in two installments. *Benefits transferred to all 2.81 crore beneficiaries in two installments. 1.82 crore* Building & construction workers received financial support amounting to **Rs 4,987.18 crore.**

For details:

ESIC Clarification on reporting of alleged improper services at ESIC Hospital and Dispensaries, Noida

ESIC in response to the news published in some of the newspapers about ESI IPs & their Beneficiaries not getting proper treatment at ESIC Hospital and Dispensaries, Noida, has clarified that ESIC Hospital, Noida has been providing dedicated medical care and all types of treatment related services to the IPs and their beneficiaries. This may further be substantiated by the relevant data which shows that ESIC Hospital has done remarkably well in providing medical care during such Covid-19 pandemic.

For details:

Indian Railways generates more than 8,09,000 mandays of work till 4 September, 2020 under Garib Kalyan Rozgar Abhiyaan

Indian Railways has generated 8,09,046 mandays of work till 4 September 2020 under Garib Kalyan Rozgar Abhiyaan in 6 States viz. Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. Shri Piyush Goyal, Minister of Railways and Commerce & Industry is closely monitoring the progress made in these projects and generation of work opportunities for the migrant labours of these states under this scheme. Around 164 Railway infrastructure projects are being executed in these states. Till 4 September, 2020, 12,276 workers have been engaged in this Abhiyaan and the payment of Rs 1,631.80 crores has been released to the contractors for the projects being implemented.

For details:

Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh says, Indian Merchants' Chamber role is crucial to post-COVID economy

Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh said that Indian Merchants' Chamber (IMC) role is crucial to post-COVID economy and for realising the Atma Nirbhar Bharat Mission of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Addressing online on the 114th Foundation Day ceremony of IMC Chamber of Commerce of Industry yesterday, Dr Jitendra Singh said IMC has a glorious past and a great legacy, with equally high expectations from it for the future. Dr Jitendra Singh said, self-reliant India is key to the concept of Atma Nirbhar Bharat and reputed business organizations like the IMC are expected to take a call. He said, in the post-COVID scenario, when the whole world is trying to rise to the occasion, for India it is both a challenge as well as an opportunity. Esteem of using what is available locally and the urge to create or produce what is not available locally, is the essence of "Local for Vocal", said Dr Jitendra Singh. The minister further said that the concept of Atmanirbhar Bharat has no conflict with modernity, growth and advancement, but it is to achieve the goal of a Self-Reliant India in a peaceful, progressive and prosperous manner. Dr. Jitendra Singh said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had unveiled the Atma Nirbhar Package in the wake of Corona Pandemic to help all sectors and wheels of economy with more than Rs 20 lakh Crore, which is about 10% of GDP.

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EPFO settles 94.41 lakh claims during pandemic since 1st April

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, EPFO has been able to settle a staggering 94.41 lakh claims thereby disbursing about Rs 35,445 crore to its members during the period of April-August, 2020. During this period, EPFO has settled around 32% more claims as compared to corresponding period of last year (April-August, 2019) while the amount disbursed increased by around 13%. To help its members tide over the liquidity needs during this crisis, EPFO fast tracked settling of COVID-19 advances and illness related claims. It introduced auto mode of settlement for these two categories of advances. Auto mode of settlement reduced the claim settlement cycle to just 3 days for most claims in these two categories against the statutory requirement to settle claims within 20 days. Notably, 55% of advance claims settled during April-August 2020 were related to the recently introduced Covid-19 advance while around 31% of advances settled during the period pertained to illness claims.

For details:

INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

- Punjab: Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh has announced some more relaxations in lockdown in urban areas, including opening of non-essential shops on Saturdays and relaxation in their timing from Monday to Saturday till 9 p.m. Night curfew will be in place in all cities/towns now from 9.30 p.m. to 5 a.m., as per the revised decision.
- Haryana: Converting COVID-19 Pandemic crisis into an opportunity, Haryana Chief Minister virtually launched an online admission platform for admission in Undergraduate Courses in government aided and self-finance colleges for the new academic session. With this platform, now the students will be able to complete their entire admission process while sitting at home. Besides this, he also launched first of its kind educational Whatsapp chatbot 'Apka Mitra' to resolve any admission related queries of the students. Students are required to send a message on Whatsapp chatbot number 7419444449 to get any information regarding admissions, scholarship.
- Himachal Pradesh: Expressing his views during video conference of President Ramnath Kovind with Governors, Lieutenant Governor and Vice chancellors on National Education Policy, Governor Shri Bandaru Dattatraya said that State has pledged to make Himachal Pradesh the first state in implementation of the Policy. He also said that online education has increased due to corona pandemic, but for this, teachers and students need to be trained. Work should be done in this direction. He said that telephone and internet system in tribal areas and remote areas is weak, due to which the students are facing problems.
- Arunachal Pradesh: In Arunachal Pradesh 180 new COVID-19 cases were reported and 124 patients have been discharged. There are 1576 active cases with 69 per cent recovery rate in

the state.

- Assam: In Assam during the last 24 hours 2250 COVID-19 patients have been discharged after recovery. The total COVID-19 tally reached 128244 in the state. Out of them 99073 have been discharged and 28798 are active cases.
- Manipur: 84 more persons test Covid19 positive in Manipur. There were 194 recoveries with 75 per cent recovery rate. There are 1710 active cases in the state. Manipur government is running a 24x7 Covid Control Room helpline number - 18003453818.
- Meghalaya: In Meghalaya the active COVID-19 cases reached to 1457. Out of them 314 are from BSF and Armed Forces. 1560 COVID-19 patients were recovered so far.
- Mizoram: Nine more cases of COVID-19 confirmed in Mizoram yesterday. Total cases reached 1123 in the state out of them 391 are active cases.
- Nagaland: In Nagaland, Kohima introduces zig-zag seating arrangement for buses. No standing allowed in buses. Officials to carry out routine checking of buses.
- Sikkim: In Sikkim, 19 new COVID-19 cases found today. Active cases in the state reached to 538 and 1403 COVID-19 patients discharged so far after recovery.
- Kerala: The Excise department has recommended opening of bars in the State following many other States recommending the same as part of Unlock 4. Four Covid -19 deaths including that of noted Malayalam playwright KA Ummerkuttty were reported today. This has taken the death toll to 363. The IMA Kerala chapter has accused the government of causing the rapid spread of the virus, by adopting unscientific measures. Pointing out that testing dropped significantly during Onam season, it said the government tried to justify it and overlooked the fact that those who were infected might have been roaming freely, thereby infecting others. Meanwhile, the state government has decided to request for cancellation of the Assembly by-elections in the wake of spike in Covid cases. A total of 1,648 new Covid-19 cases were reported in Kerala yesterday. 22,066 patients are still undergoing treatment and 2,00,651 people under quarantine across the state.
- Tamil Nadu: The Covid-19 fatality rate in Puducherry has risen to 1.9 percent with 12 more deaths and 440 fresh cases in the last 24 hours ending at 10 am on Tuesday. So far, 17749 persons have been infected by the virus in the UT, of which 12581 were treated and discharged and 337 died, leaving 4831 active cases. The upcoming session of the State Legislative Assembly will be held from September 14 to September 16 at the Kalaivanar Arangam in Chennai. All those intending to take part in the House proceedings have been requested to undertake tests for Covid-19 infection 72 hours before the House is scheduled to convene. Tourists can visit Kodaikanal from Wednesday
- Karnataka: Due to the ongoing Covid-19 situation, the State government has decided for simple Mysuru dasara celebrations this year. The government has also decided to invite Covid warriors including doctors, nurses, pourakarmika, ASHA workers and police to inaugurate Dasara by offering pooja to Chamundeshwari. State bar council urges Chief Justice of HC to resume regular functioning of courts from next week. The authorities in Mandya district have now started doorstep sample collection as people, especially those from rural hinterlands, are reportedly hesitating to come for testing. The district has 2,222 active cases.
- Andhra Pradesh: State crossed five-lakh mark in Covid cases, with the aggregate touching 5.06.493. The death toll also pushed to 4,487 as on Monday. The overall infection positivity rate climbed further up to 12.16 per cent while the recovery rate also increased to 79.78 per

cent, whereas the mortality rate remained stable at 0.89 per cent. It took 180 days for the state to go from single case to five lakh cases after the first person tested positive for the virus on March 12, with the last two lakh coming in just 20 days. Meanwhile, the Chief Minister reviewed corona virus measures in the state through video conference and advised people to be vigilant.

- Telangana: 2392 new cases, 2346 recoveries & 11 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2392 cases, 304 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,45,163; Active cases: 31,670; Deaths: 906; Discharges: 1,12,587. There are 17,734 vacant beds available for Covid-19 patients in Government hospitals and private teaching hospitals combined, according to the State health bulletin. Expressing concern over Telangana's healthcare workers having the highest Covid-19 positivity rate in the country, Telangana Pradesh Congress demands probe into 'poor' PPE kits for medicos.
- Maharashtra: With the testing kit production cost falling after Maharashtra eased lockdown norms, the state government has further reduced the rates for RT-PCR COVID-19 tests conducted by private laboratories. According to the government's decision, the charges for picking test samples from collection sites have been reduced to Rs 1,200 from Rs 1,900 which was fixed last month. Collecting samples from kiosks, COVID-19 care collection centres, hospitals, clinics, quarantine centres of laboratories will now cost Rs 1,600 as against Rs 2,200 earlier.
- Madhya Pradesh: The state government has set a target to add 3,600 oxygen beds and 564 ICU beds would be added for Coronavirus treatment by October 31. After a meeting chaired by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan to review the coronavirus situation, Minister for Medical Education Minister Vishvas Sarang informed that the state government decided that private hospitals treating COVID-19 patients could charge only 40 per cent more than rates prevalent in the time before the outbreak.
- Chhattisgarh: Chhattisgarh's coronavirus case count rose to 47,280 with 2,017 more people while the death toll climbed to 395 after 15 more patients succumbed to the virus. Of the 2,017 fresh cases reported from all the 28 districts, maximum was reported in Raipur district (654 cases), worst-hit by the pandemic in the state. With 16,866 cases, Raipur district tops the tally in the state and it has witnessed 207 deaths so far.

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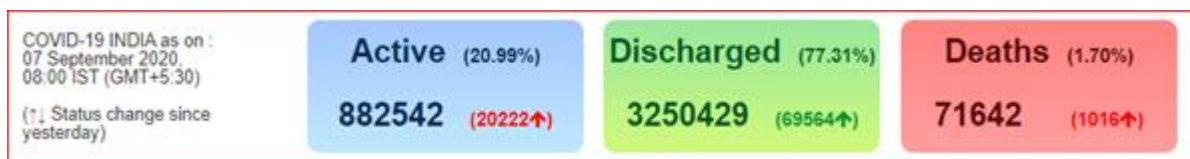
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India's Total Recoveries continue to rise, cross 32.5 lakh today; 5 States contribute 60% of total cases, 62% of active cases and 70% of total fatality reported in India

India's total recovered cases have crossed **32.5 lakh** today, with **69,564 patients** being discharged in the last 24 hours. This has resulted in the Recovery Rate touching **77.31%**. Case Fatality Rate has declined which stands at a new low of **1.70%** today. Five States are contributing 60% of total cases with

Maharashtra at the top with 21.6%, followed by Andhra Pradesh (11.8%), Tamil Nadu (11.0%), Karnataka (9.5%) and Uttar Pradesh at 6.3%. Maharashtra also contributed 26.76% of the active cases in the country, followed by Andhra Pradesh (11.30%), Karnataka (11.25%), Uttar Pradesh (6.98%) and Tamil Nadu (5.83%). These 5 States presently contribute 62% of total active cases. The total number of recoveries stands more than 32.5 lakh (**32,50,429**) today. In the last 24 hours, Andhra Pradesh recorded the highest recoveries with 11,915 newly recovered cases. Karnataka and Maharashtra saw 9575 and 7826 recoveries while Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh witnesses 5820 and 4779 new recoveries, respectively. These 5 States together contributed 57% of the recoveries in the last 24 hours.

For details:

State/UT data on new additions, recoveries and reported deaths

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Health Ministry rushes Central teams to Punjab and Chandigarh to be stationed for 10 days; Central teams to assist States/UT in review of public health measures for Containment, Surveillance, Testing and efficient Clinical

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has decided to deploy Central teams to Punjab and UT of Chandigarh. The high level teams will assist the State/UT in strengthening public health measures for containment, surveillance, testing and efficient clinical management of COVID patients with the aim to reduce mortality and save lives. They shall also guide the State/UT in effectively addressing the challenges related to timely diagnosis and follow up. The two-member teams will comprise of a Community Medicine expert from PGIMER, Chandigarh and an epidemiologist from NCDC. These teams shall be stationed in the State/UT for ten days to provide extended guidance in managing COVID. Punjab has reported a total of 60,013 cases, whereas it has 15,731 Active Cases, on date. It has registered 1739 deaths. The Testing per Million figure for the State is 37546 (India's average figure is 34593.1 at present). With 4.97%, it hovers at the lower spectrum of cumulative positivity. The UT of Chandigarh is reporting 2095 active cases whereas its cumulative cases stand at 5268. Testing Per Million and cumulative positivity stand at 38054 and 11.99%, respectively.

For details:

Union Health Secretary engages with Health Secretaries of 6 States/UT exhibiting high surge, caseload and fatality

Union Health Secretary held a review meeting through video conference with the Health Secretaries of 5 States and 1 UT on the containment and management of COVID in 35 districts under their jurisdiction. These 35 districts comprise Kolkata, Howrah, North 24 Parganas and 24 South Parganas in **West Bengal**; Pune, Nagpur, Thane, Mumbai, Mumbai Suburban, Kolhapur, Sangli, Nashik, Ahmednagar,

Raigad, Jalgaon, Solapur, Satara, Palghar, Aurangabad, Dhule and Nanded in **Maharashtra**; Surat in **Gujarat**; Pondicherry in **Puducherry**; East Singhbhum in **Jharkhand**; and all 11 districts in **Delhi**. Addressing the participants, the Union Secretary underscored the need to suppress, curb and eventually break the chain of transmission of the infectious disease by strengthening the active case search focusing on the co-morbids and elderly population; revisiting and strengthening the containment measures in the affected areas; and scaling up the testing to decrease the positivity rates below 5%. The State Health Secretaries presented a detailed analysis on the current status of Covid-19 in these districts. They also discussed the detailed roadmaps and action plans for the next one month. The States/UT were advised to take steps on specific areas e.g. limiting the spread of the infection by implementing stringent containment measures and following social distancing measures, strict perimeter control, and active house-to-house case search, early identification by ramping up testing across the districts, optional utilization of RT-PCR testing capacity etc.

For details:

Uttar Pradesh establishes Integrated COVID Control & Command Centre, and a Unified State COVID Portal

The government of Uttar Pradesh has taken various initiatives in this direction. On 18th July 2020, the UP government established the Integrated COVID Control & Command Centres (ICCCC) in all districts as well as the State headquarter with representation of all relevant departments to address the rising number of positive cases. These centres are primarily for ensuring effective coordination among relevant departments for Non Pharmaceutical Interventions (NPIs). They also facilitate prompt referral of COVID-19 patients to the appropriate level of dedicated COVID facilities. The Command centres coordinate with zonal units to ensure prompt testing of symptomatic patients and contacts, intimation of laboratory status, facilitation of transport and facility allocation in case of admission, and regular follow up of cases under home isolation. Uttar Pradesh has also developed a Unified State COVID Portal: <http://upcovid19tracks.in> which captures all information related to surveillance, testing and treatment of COVID patients. This portal has also benefitted through interoperability with the Govt of India portal. The State Government has also procured 1000 High Flow Nasal Canula (HFNCs) from the State funds. 500 of these have been installed and are being utilized for non-invasive management of patients in the State.

For details:

Government of India expands the support to Artisans manifold, for making Agarbatti, to make India Aatm- Nirbhar

Taking a holistic approach and looking to the enhanced interest of the stakeholders, Ministry of Micro Small and Medium Enterprises further expanded the reach and support to Artisans, involved in Agarbatti making, and to the Agarbatti Industry, by issuing new guidelines on 4th September, 2020. Under the expanded program announced on 4th September, 400 Automatic Agarbatti making machines as against 200 earlier, and additional 500 Pedal operated Machines will be given to 'Self Help Groups (SHGs)' and individuals through 20 pilot projects, across the country with proper marketing and raw material supply tie ups. The program will immediately benefit about 1500 artisans, in providing sustainable employment

with increased earnings. Artisans developing hand rolled Agarbatti and 'Migrant workers' will be given preference as part of the program. Now, to make India Aatm- Nirbhar in this sector, the total size of the program, has been increased to more than Rs 55 Cr, which will include immediate support to about 1500 artisans of about Rs 3.45 Cr, development of two centers of Excellence costing at Rs 2.20 Cr at IITs/NITs and at FFDC Kannauj and setting up of 10 new SFURTI clusters at a cost of about Rs 50 Crs, benefitting about 5000 additional artisans.

For details:

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Despite the testing time of COVID lock down Bureau Of Pharma PSUs Of India , BPPI the implementing agency of Pradhanmantri Janaushadhi Pariyojana-PMBJP clocked appreciable sales turnover of Rs. 146.59 crore in the first quarter of 2020-21 and testing times as compared to Rs. 75.48 crore achieved in the first quarter of 2019-20. In the month of July, 2020, BPPI have added a sales of Rs. 48.66 Cr. The total sales up to 31st July, 2020 stood at Rs. 191.90 Crore. The Janaushadhi Kendras remained functional during lockdown and maintained operations as part of their commitment to ensure uninterrupted availability of essential medicines.

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Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot launches '24x7 toll-free Mental Health Rehabilitation Helpline KIRAN-(1800-599-0019)

The 24x7 Toll-Free Mental Health Rehabilitation Helpline "KIRAN" (1800-500-0019) was launched by Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot, Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment today to provide relief and support to persons with Mental Illness. DEPwD, M/o Social Justice & Empowerment launched it in view of the growing incidence of Mental Illness, particularly in the wake of COVID-19 Pandemic. Shri Gehlot also released the poster, brochure and resource book on helpline. Addressing on the occasion, Shri Gehlot said that the Kiran helpline will offer mental health rehabilitation services with the objective of early screening, first-aid, psychological support, distress management, mental wellbeing, promoting positive behaviours, psychological crisis management etc. It aims at serving people experiencing stress, anxiety, depression, panic attacks, adjustment disorders, post-traumatic stress disorders, substance abuse, suicidal thoughts, pandemic induced psychological issues & mental health emergencies. It will function as a lifeline to provide 1st stage advice, counseling and reference in 13 languages to individuals, families, NGOs, Parent Associations, Professional Associations, Rehabilitation Institutes, Hospitals or anyone in need of support across the country.

For details:

INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

- Chandigarh: The Administrator, UT Chandigarh, appealed to the citizens, Market Associations, Volunteers and Municipal Councillors to advise people to immediately approach the Administration for medical help in case of initial covid symptoms. Adequate beds, medicines and facilities are available for treatment of corona patients.
- Punjab: To encourage testing for COVID, Punjab Chief Minister Capt. Amarinder Singh announced distribution of free food packets to poor families who do not want to get themselves tested for fear of isolation impacting their meagre earnings. He also said that there is no shortage of beds in the hospitals and Punjab Government has made all the necessary arrangements in advance to combat Covid19.
- Arunachal Pradesh: In Arunachal Pradesh, 86 new COVID-19 positive cases detected. Currently, there are 1,520 positive cases in the state.
- Assam: In Assam, 1,763 patients were discharged yesterday taking total discharged patients to 96,823 & active patients are 28,273, Assam Health Minister tweeted.
- Manipur: The state of Manipur has recorded 2 more deaths due to COVID-19 & 139 more persons test COVID-19 positive. There were 189 recoveries with 72 per cent recovery rate. There are total 1,820 active cases.
- Meghalaya: In Meghalaya, total COVID-19 active cases are 1,433, total BSF and Armed Forces cases are 314, total others are 1,119 while total recovered are 1,556.
- Mizoram: 21 new cases of COVID-19 confirmed in Mizoram yesterday. Total cases 1,114, active cases 382.
- Nagaland: Of Nagaland's 4,178 confirmed cases, security forces account for 1,786 cases & returnees 1,296. Currently, 773 persons are in Govt. quarantine. More areas sealed in Kohima following detection of new cases. Sealed areas include prime locations including houses in Officers Hill, Potterlane, Chandmari colonies, SIB Guest House etc.
- Sikkim: With one more death report, total casualty stands at 6 in Sikkim; cured & discharged 1,380, active cases 554 & new cases 29.
- Kerala: Metro service in the state was resumed as part of Unlock4. Meanwhile Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan inaugurated the final stretch of Kochi Metro 1st phase via video conferencing. Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri delivered the Presidential address during the inaugural function. A health inspector who molested a woman, who approached him seeking a Covid negative certificate after her quarantine period ended, was arrested in Thiruvananthapuram today. Meanwhile, Police will file a plea seeking custody of the ambulance driver who was booked for molesting a Covid-19 patient inside an ambulance in Aranmula on Saturday night. Covid-19 was confirmed in 3,082 persons in Kerala yesterday. At present there are 22,676 patients undergoing treatment and a total of 2,00,296 people are under observation in various districts. The death toll so far is 347.
- Tamil Nadu: In Puducherry, 292 persons tested positive for Covid-19 and 11 died in the last 24 hours ending at 10 AM. So far, 17316 persons have been infected by the virus in the UT of which 12135 were treated and discharged and 280 died leaving 4865 active cases. Bus, train services resume between districts across Tamil Nadu; safety arrangements have been made at railway stations and bus termini, officials said. Covid-19 norms violated across Tamil Nadu on lockdown-free Sunday; many throng public places without wearing masks.
- Karnataka: Metro train services resumed in Bengaluru today after gap of over 150 days; very few passengers were seen even during peak hours. After five months of corona crisis, tourism sector is picking-up in the State. Several govt. employees hit hard by salary delays, reports media; while the delay in payment is not entirely new, an official said it has been more severe amidst the pandemic. As many as

9,319 new Covid-19 cases were reported in Karnataka on Sunday. With this, the total number of positive cases stands at 3.98 lakh in the State.

- Andhra Pradesh: State on Monday released Unlock 4.0 guidelines in line with the Central government regulations. The government has issued permission to run schools for classes 9 and 10 and Intermediate from September 21. However, the government has made the written consent of parents mandatory. Government has also allowed skill development centers to open. However, it has recommended to hold social, educational, sports, religious and political meetings with a participation not exceeding 100 people and decided to allow 50 people for weddings and 20 for funeral service from Sept 20. Open air theatres were allowed to function from Sept 21, but cinema halls, swimming pools and entertainment parks were denied permission. High recoveries for the third straight day ensured that the active cases fall below one lakh mark in the state. Whereas, the aggregate Covid-19 cases in the State is now just short of the five-lakh mark.
- Telangana: 1802 new cases & 09 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 1802 cases, 245 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,42,771; Active cases: 31,635; Deaths: 897; Discharges: 1,10,241. As many as 2,711 persons have recovered by Sunday, pushing the overall Covid-19 recoveries in the State to 1,10,241 with a recovery rate of 77.2 percent while the countrywide recovery rate is at 77.25 per cent. Over five months after they were suspended due to the Covid-19 pandemic, metro rail services have resumed in the city with protective measures.
- Maharashtra: The number of active Covid-19 cases in Maharashtra has been rising steadily. With 126,523 cases and 2,205 fatalities reported in the last seven days, the state now has 235,857 active patients, more than a fourth cases in the country. Meanwhile, to prevent deaths due to corona across Maharashtra, the state health department is mulling over the expansion of its Tele-ICU project. A tele-ICU setup consists of a critical care team which uses IT and communication tech to guide doctors treating patients in rural areas and inaccessible hospitals. It is expected to make up for the shortage in medical specialists across Maharashtra, provide treatment to critically ill patients and reduce mortality,
- Gujarat: The State Chief Minister Vijay Rupani today flagged off five Covid Vijay Rathes to promote awareness creation among masses. The project is being implemented by the Government of Gujarat Health Department and Ministry of I&B Media Unites in Gujarat in collaboration with UNICEF. Gujarat has 16,475 active cases as on date.
- Rajasthan: All the religious places in Rajasthan, including those in urban areas reopened today. However, devotees are not allowed to bring flowers, fruits and sweets. Maintenance of safe distancing and wearing of masks have been made mandatory. There are 14,958 active Covid cases in Gujarat.
- Madhya Pradesh: In one of its kinds of initiative, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Medical College and Hospital in Jabalpur in the state has established live interaction with families to curb depression and suicidal tendencies among COVID-19 patients. The experiment began after two coronavirus positive patients tried to kill themselves at the hospital. Dean Dr PK Kasar informed that a glass partition that separates patients from kin is in place for the interaction. Already, more than ten patients have talked to their families. Currently, 260 people are undergoing treatment for the infection in the hospital.

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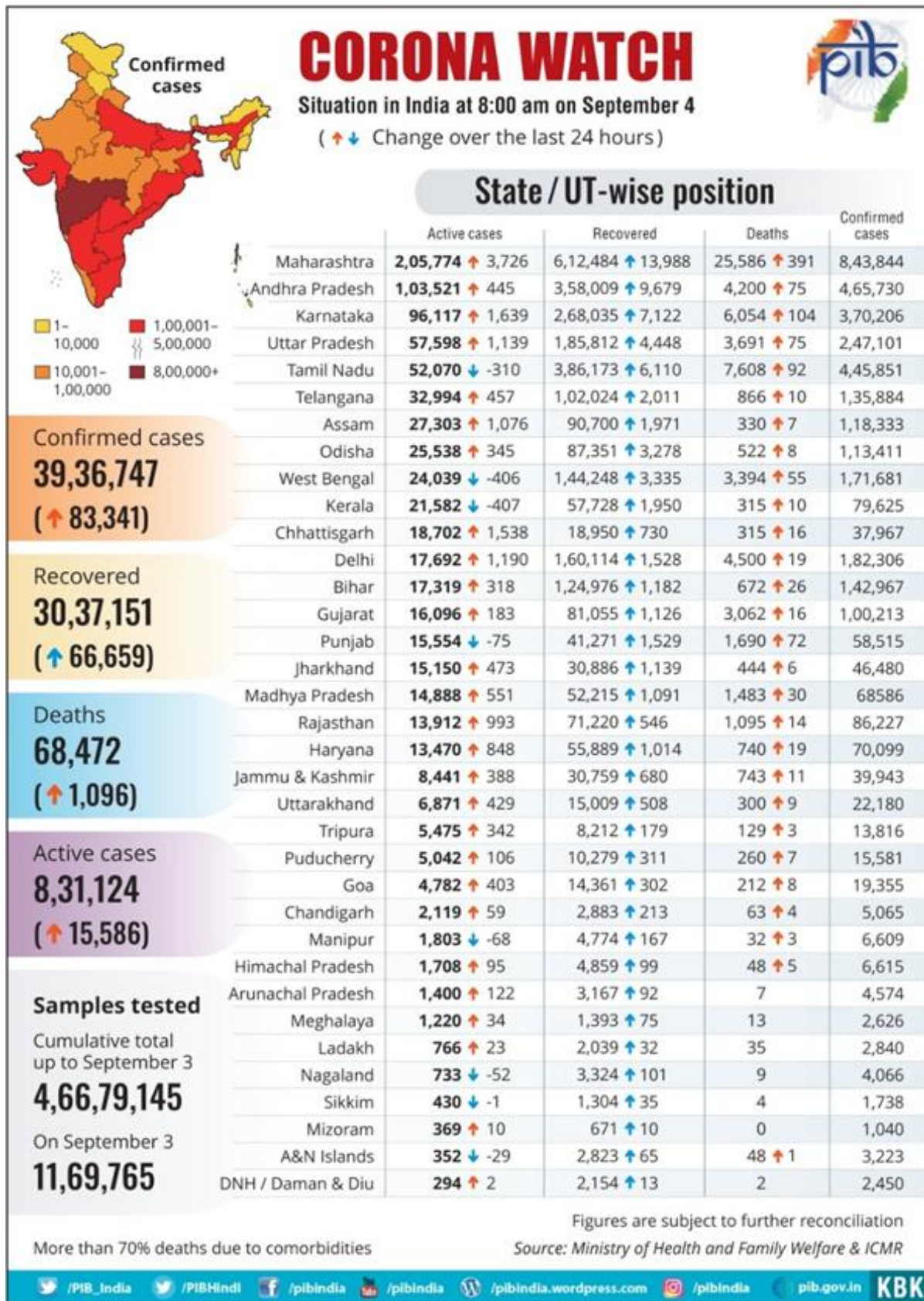
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- India's total Recoveries surpass 30 lakh
- Less than 0.5 % patients on Ventilators, 2% in ICUs & less than 3.5% on Oxygen Support
- Recovery Rate amongst the COVID-19 patients is 77.15%.
- Active cases (8,31,124) have reduced and currently comprises only 21.11% of the total positive cases.
- More than 11.70 lakh samples tested for 2 consecutive days
- Daily Positivity rate is below 7.5% and Cumulative Positivity Rate is less than 8.5%

COVID-19 INDIA as on : 04 September 2020, 08:00 IST (GMT+5:30) (↑↓ Status change since yesterday)	Active (21.11%) 831124 (15586↑)	Discharged (77.15%) 3037151 (66659↑)	Deaths (1.74%) 68472 (1096↑)
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With higher number of patients getting cured, India's total Recoveries surpass 30 lakh

Not only is India's Case Fatality Rate lower than the global average and progressively declining (current figure is **1.74%**), but a very small proportion of the active cases, amounting to **less than 0.5%**, are on ventilator support. Data also shows that **2%** cases are in ICUs and **less than 3.5%** of the active cases occupy oxygen supported beds. As a result of these measures, India's total COVID-19 recoveries have

crossed 30 lakh (30,37,151) today. With the recovery of **66,659** in the last 24 hours, India has continued its trajectory of posting more than 60000 recoveries for the 8th consecutive day. The Recovery Rate amongst the COVID-19 patients is **77.15%**. The higher number of recoveries has also led to a steady enhancement in the difference between the recovered and active ones. This difference has **crossed 22 lakh**, as on date. This ensured that the actual caseload of the country viz. the active cases (**8,31,124** which are under active medical care), has reduced and currently comprises **only 21.11%** of the total positive cases.

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India continues to scale new peaks in COVID-19 tests, More than 11.70 lakh samples tested for 2 consecutive days, Despite the very high testing levels, Daily Positivity rate is below 7.5% and Cumulative Positivity Rate is less than 8.5%

After having successfully achieved the goal of enhancing the daily testing capacity to more than 10 lakhs daily tests, India has scaled new peaks in COVID-19 testing for the last two successive days. **For these two successive days, more than 11.70 lakh samples have been tested across the country.** 11,69,765 samples were tested in the last 24 hours. No other country has achieved these levels of very high daily testing. With this steep exponential rise in daily testing, the cumulative tests are nearing 4.7 crore. The cumulative tests as on date have reached 4,66,79,145. Even with this very high daily testing, the daily Positivity Rate is still below 7.5%, while cumulative Positivity Rate is less than 8.5%. With the aim to reduce the fatality rate below 1%, India's Case Fatality Rate (CFR) has touched **1.74%** following a gradient of steady and sustained decline. India's substantial increase in the testing levels is anchored in the daily expanding diagnostic lab network across the country. As on date, with **1025** labs in the government sector and **606** private labs, the country-wide network is strengthened with **1631** total lab facilities.

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PM interacts with IPS Probationers

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi interacted, through video-conference, with IPS Probationers during the 'Dikshant Parade Event' at the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy today. Speaking on the occasion, the PM said he regularly interacts with young IPS officers who have passed out from the academy, but this year due to coronavirus he was unable to meet them. "But I'm sure that during my tenure, I will surely meet you all at some point," he added. The PM wished the IPS probationers for completing their training with success. He said it is very important that the probationers should be proud of their uniform instead of flexing power out of it. "Never lose the respect for your Khaki uniform. The human face of the Khaki uniform has been engraved in the public memory due to the good work done by police especially during this Covid-19," he said. The Prime Minister appreciated that the 'Humane' side of police came to fore during COVID-19 pandemic.

For details:

Prime Minister Delivers Special Key Note Address at the US-India 2020 Summit of US-ISPF

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi delivered the Special Key Note Address at the US-India 2020 Summit through video conference yesterday. Addressing the Summit, Shri Narendra Modi said the global pandemic has impacted everyone and that it is testing our resilience, our public health systems, our

economic systems. The current situation demands a fresh mind set. A mind set where the approach to development is human centric. Where there is a spirit of cooperation between everyone, he said. Talking about the way ahead the Prime Minister said that the country is focussing on ramping up capacities, securing the poor and future proofing our citizens. Referring to various steps taken to ramp up facilities for fighting COVID and to increase awareness amongst the citizens, the Prime Minister said all such early measures ensured that the country with 1.3 billion people and limited resources has one of the lowest death rates per million in the World. He expressed his happiness that India's business community, especially the small business has been proactive. Starting from almost nothing, they made us the second largest PPE kits manufacturer in the World, he said. Referring to various reforms the Prime Minister said that the pandemic failed to impact the aspirations and ambitions of 1.3 billion Indians.

For details:

[Text of Prime Minister's Special Key Note Address at US-ISPF US-India Summit 2020](#)

For details:

Shri Piyush Goyal says country's Exports and Imports are showing positive trends; Trade deficit is narrowing

Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Shri Piyush Goyal today met the Office-bearers of various Export Promotion Councils (EPCs), to discuss the issues concerning the country's global trade, ground level situation, and problems being faced by the exporters. In his opening remarks, the Minister said that the country's exports as well as imports are showing positive trends. The exports are approaching the last year's levels, after making a sharp dip in April this year due to pandemic. Regarding imports, the positive thing is that the Capital Goods imports have not declined, and the reduction in imports has been seen mainly in crude, gold and fertilizers. He added that the trade deficit is reducing drastically and our share in the global trade is improving, thanks to our resilient supply chains, and perseverance and hardwork of our exporters.

For details:

[Record area of 1095.38 lakh ha has been covered under Kharif crops as on 04.09.2020](#)

In the current season of Kharif 2020, record area of 1095.38 lakh has been covered. Sowing of rice still continues while sowing of pulses, coarse cereals, millets and oilseeds is almost over. There is no impact of COVID-19 on progress of area coverage under kharif crops as on date. Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare Shri Narendra Singh Tomar said that the timely prepositioning of inputs by Government of India like seeds, pesticides, fertilizers, machinery and credit has made it possible for large coverage even during pandemic lockdown conditions. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and State Governments have put all efforts in successful implementation of mission programs and flagship schemes. Shri Tomar said that credit goes to farmers for timely action and adoption of technologies and taking benefit of government schemes.

For details:

INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

- Haryana: With Unlock-4 guidelines regarding COVID-19 Pandemic already in place, Haryana Government has issued Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and guidelines for Film Shooting in the State. The duration of shooting should be restricted to the minimum possible and not more than 50 persons should be present. Moreover, shooting would commence only after all the persons involved are thermally scanned and are found asymptomatic. The locations will be chosen taking into consideration if the locality falls in or near containment zones. Permissions and approvals will be given only for safe zones.
- Punjab: Punjab government has decided to allow free walk-in Testing in government hospitals and mobile vans, and similar testing at a nominal manpower cost not exceeding Rs 250 by private doctors and hospitals, to encourage increased Covid testing to check the surge in cases in the state. People who want their result immediately can opt for Rapid Antigen testing while RT-PCR testing will also be similarly available.
- Arunachal Pradesh: In Arunachal Pradesh, 214 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and one death, total eight people died in the State till now.
- Assam: In Assam, 3054 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 1971 people recovered yesterday, total cases rise to 118333, active 27303 and total death 330.
- Manipur: In Manipur, 102 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 3 more deaths, 167 recoveries with 72 percent recovery rate. There are 1803 active cases in the state.
- Mizoram: In Mizoram, six fresh cases of COVID-19 detected in the state yesterday. Total cases 1046. Compulsory Rapid Antigen Test at Assam and Tripura border by Mizoram government to be discontinued. Only thermal screening and other basic procedures will be carried out to test those entering Mizoram.
- Nagaland: In Nagaland, a total of 39,769 samples have been sent for testing through RT-PCR and another 23,638 sent for testing through TrueNat machines so far.
- Kerala: Junior doctors in government service have threatened of quitting from service on September 10 if they are not exempted from salary challenge. A total of 868 doctors who are appointed in Covid First-Line Treatment Centres and other health centres have given a memorandum to the CM requesting to avoid them from salary challenge. However, CM has declared that the government will not re-examine the decision on salary challenge. As many as 1,553 Covid-19 cases were reported in the state yesterday. At present, 21,516 patients are undergoing treatment in the State and currently there are a total of 1.92 lakh people are under quarantine in various districts. The death toll in the State so far is 315.
- Tamil Nadu: Puducherry registered its highest single-day Covid-19 toll with 20 deaths, beating the previous highest of 13 deaths a few days back, while 591 more tested positive for the virus in the last 24 hours ending 10 am on Friday. Madras High Court has directed the School Education Department to conduct Covid-19 tests for the physically and mentally challenged candidates and also their scribes, appearing for Class X private exams, starting September 21. Covishield vaccine developed by Oxford University reached Chennai for phase two clinical trials. The vaccine will be tested on 300 health volunteers above the age of 18 at Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital and Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education and Research, Porur, as part of multi-centric study in India.
- Karnataka: Covid-19 fatalities in Karnataka which have been on the rise since July touched 6054 on Thursday with 104 deaths. With services set to resume on September 7, Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation will introduce an app to allow commuters to top up their smart cards. High Court has asked the State govt that how many prison inmates have tested corona positive and directed the state to file an affidavit. State government has decided to penalise private labs for delay in testing samples sent by it.

- Andhra Pradesh: Chief Minister has issued instructions to take strict action against hospitals that would not implement the Aarogyasri scheme. Officials have been advised to set up Covid help desks at every Aarogyasri empaneled hospitals to make the services accessible. Visakhapatnam Covid-19 cases count breaches 39,000 mark. Guntur collector has directed nodal officers to complete mapping of Covid-19 positive cases. He observed that mapping of 40,044 patients was yet to be completed. There are 9,583 patients who are yet to undergo triaging.
- Telangana: 2478 new cases, 2011 recoveries & 10 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2478 cases, 267 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,35,884; Active cases: 32,994; Deaths: 866; Discharges :1,02,024. At 18 per cent, Covid-19 positivity rate highest among healthcare staff in Telangana. As there was a high incidence of Covid-19 in the age group of 20 to 50 years, the government has requested the people not to step out, unless absolutely necessary. Covid-19 test must for all MLAs, journalists attending Telangana legislature's monsoon session.
- Maharashtra: Congress leader and the state Minister for Animal Husbandry and Dairy Development Sunil Kedar (59) has tested positive for Covid 19. He is the 6th Minister of the Maharashtra VikasAghadi coalition government to test positive. Maharashtra on Thursday reported 18,105 new infections, taking the cumulative tally past 8.43 lakh cases. The tally for Mumbai has since reached 1.50 lakhs. Meanwhile, Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshiyari, in his capacity as the Chancellor of the Universities has agreed to the state government's proposal to conduct online exams which can be taken from home by the students.
- Gujarat: Gujarat on Thursday became 11th state to have 1 lakh cumulative Covid-19 patients as it recorded 1,325 new positive cases, the highest single-day tally in the past hours ending at 5pm. The total cases in Gujarat now stand at 1,00,375. An analysis reveals that the last 25,000 cases were recorded in the past 23 days compared to 90 days it took for the state to cross the first 25,000 cases.
- Rajasthan: The Rajasthan government has fixed rates for Coronavirus treatment at private hospitals, keeping the charges between Rs 5,000 to Rs 9,900 a day. The decision has come amid reports that private hospitals were charging exorbitant fee for the treatment. The treatment cost includes Rs 1,200 of a PPE kit. The state has 16,067 active cases as on date.
- Madhya Pradesh: MP on Thursday reported the highest single-day rise of 1,672 new coronavirus cases, which pushed the state's infection count to 68,586. At 259, Indore reported the highest number of cases in the day in the state, followed by 246 in Gwalior, 198 in Bhopal and 129 in Jabalpur. Indore's total count of cases has reached 13,752.

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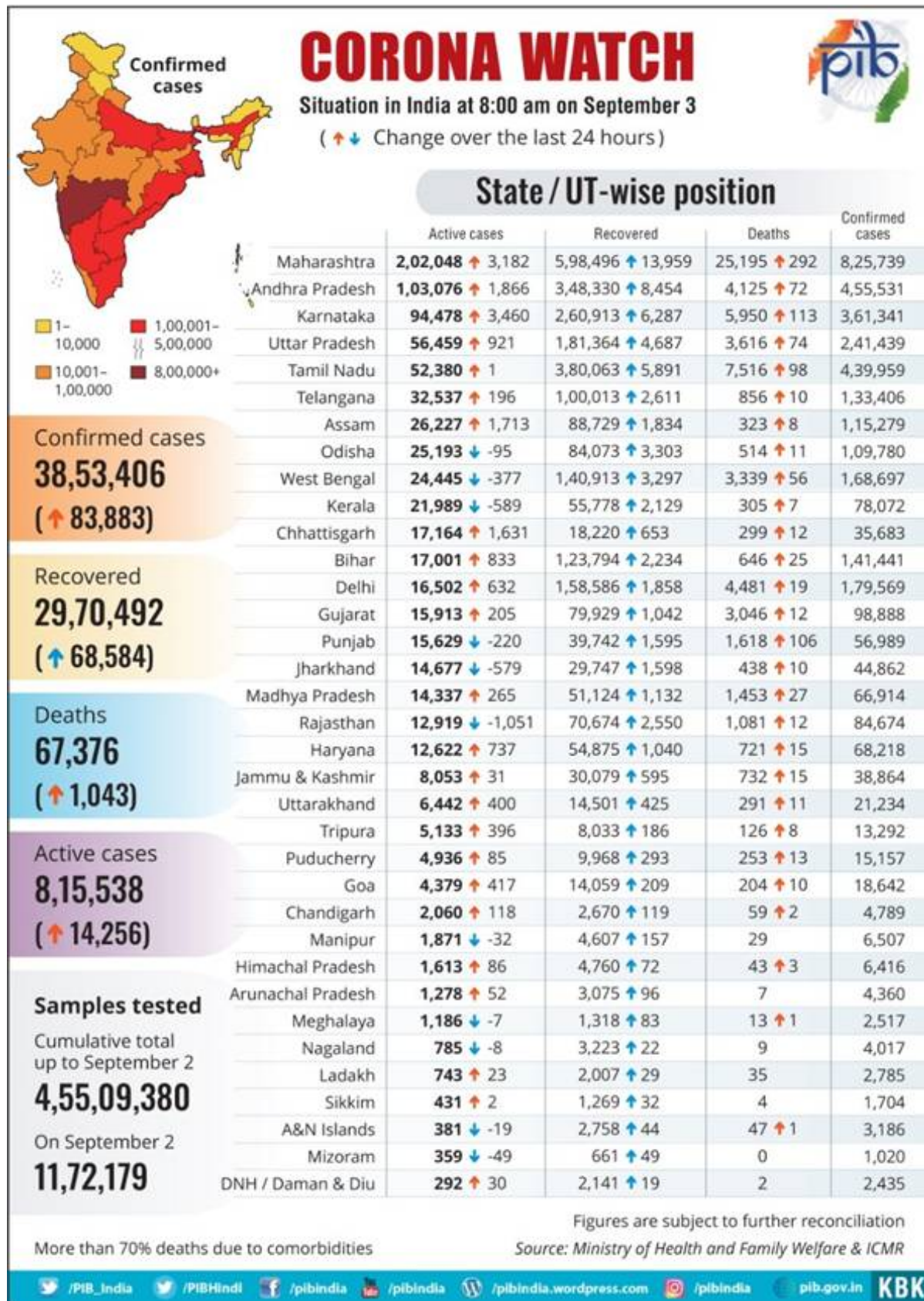
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COVID-19 INDIA as on : 03 September 2020, 08:00 IST (GMT+5:30) (↑ Status change since yesterday)	Active (21.16%)	Discharged (77.09%)	Deaths (1.75%)
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India has registered the highest recoveries in a single day. **68,584** COVID-19 patients have recovered and been discharged in the last 24 hours. This has led to a surge in the total number of recovered patients which is nearly 30 lakh (**2,970,492**). With this, India's Recovery Rate amongst the COVID-19 patients

has crossed 77% (**77.09%**). The number of recovered patients has outpaced the active cases (**8,15,538**) by more than **21.5 lakh**. The recovered patients have increased to more than **3.6 times** the active cases, as on date. The record high recoveries have ensured that the actual caseload of the country viz. the active cases, has reduced and currently comprises only **21.16%** of the total positive cases. India's Case Fatality Rate (CFR) is maintained below the global average (3.3%). Witnessing a decline every day, it stands at **1.75%** today.

For details:

[India witnesses an Unprecedented Surge in Daily Testing, More than 11.7 lakh COVID tests conducted in the last 24 hrs, More than 4.5 cr Total Tests conducted](#)

Continuing the spree of conducting more than 10 lakh tests per day from the last two days, India has witnessed an unprecedented surge in daily testing today. Over 11.7 lakh (**11,72,179**) tests were done in the last 24 hours. With this achievement, the cumulative tests are more than 4.5 crore (**4,55,09,380**). This demonstrates an exponential increase in the daily COVID-19 testing in the country. From conducting merely 10 tests per day on 30th January, the daily average has crossed more than 11 lakhs today. This surge in testing has been made possible by an equally speedy expansion in the testing lab network across the country. India has today **1623** labs in the country; **1022** labs in the government sector and **601** private labs. Also, state-of-the-art high throughput machines including Cobas 6800/8800 are installed at 5 sites: ICMR-Rajendra Memorial Research Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna; ICMR-National Institute for Cholera & Enteric Diseases, Kolkata; National Centre for Disease Control, Delhi; ICMR-National Institute for Research in Reproductive Health, Mumbai; and ICMR-National Institute for Cancer Prevention & Research, Noida. These can test around 1000 samples per day with minimum human intervention.

For details:

[Shri Dharmendra Pradhan addresses USISPF-3rd annual leadership summit; Invites US companies to partner in Aatmanirbhar Bharat campaign](#)

Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas and Steel, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan yesterday participated in the USISPF- 3rd Annual Leadership Summit. He talked about the unprecedented impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the global economy and the consequent energy demand contraction. He added that with the gradual pick up of economic activity in India, energy consumption is anticipated to reach pre-Covid levels soon. Speaking about *Aatmanirbhar Bharat* campaign, Shri Pradhan said the campaign launched under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi calls for a self-reliant India, seeking to convert Covid-19 challenges into an opportunity, to merge domestic production and consumption with global supply chains, and aims to transform India into a global manufacturing hub of the 21st century.

For details:

[Metro Operations to Resume in a Graded Manner from 7th September 2020](#)

Shri Hardeep S Puri, MoS, (I/C), Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has announced the SOP guidelines for metro operations in a media interaction yesterday. SOP guidelines, prepared by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, have been concurred by the Ministry of Home Affairs. Broad features include resumption of Metro operations to be in graded manner, Metros having more than one line should open different lines starting from 7th September, 2020 onwards in a graded manner so that all corridors become operational by 12th September 2020, daily hours of operations may be staggered initially, which needs to be increased gradually with resumption of full revenue service by 12th

September, 2020, Frequency of trains to be regulated to avoid passenger crowding at stations and in trains, Stations/ entry-exit gates in containment zones to be closed. In order to ensure social distancing, suitable markings at stations and inside trains will be done. Wearing of face mask to be mandatory for all passengers and staff. Metro rail corporations may make arrangements for supply of masks on payment basis to the persons arriving without mask. Only asymptomatic persons will be allowed to travel after thermal screening at entry into the stations.

For details :

Advisory issued on safety precautions for rural Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) service providers

In compliance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order for ensuring safe drinking water during lock down period due to CoVID-19 pandemic, Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation had issued an advisory to all States/ UTs on April 13, 2020. With the lockdown eased out and socio-economic activities resumed, especially with the commencement of post-monsoon working season, the water supply infrastructure activities have to be implemented on a bigger scale and with speed to achieve the goal of providing tap water connections to all rural households. Hence, it is imperative for WASH service providers at the forefront to follow all the necessary precautions to avoid contraction and spread of the virus. Current evidence indicates that the CoVid-19 virus is transmitted through respiratory droplets or contact, and transmission occurs when contaminated hands touch the mucosa of the mouth, nose, or eyes; **the virus can also be transferred from one surface to another by contaminated hands**, which facilitates indirect contact transmission. To ensure hand hygiene is practiced through hand wash at regular intervals, there is an urgent need to make tap water available inside every rural household premises. For this purpose, adequate fund has been made available under JalJeevan Mission. The mission presents an excellent opportunity to mitigate the ongoing pandemic situation not just by ensuring water supply but also by generating employment to labour who have migrated back home.

For details :

India ranked in the top 50 nations in the Global Innovation Index

India has climbed 4 spots and has been ranked 48th by the World Intellectual Property Organization in the Global Innovation Index 2020 rankings. In midst of the Covid -19 pandemic, it comes as an uplifting news for India, and is a testament of its robust R&D Ecosystem. India was at the 52nd position in 2019 and was ranked 81st in the year 2015. The WIPO had also accepted India as one of the leading innovation achievers of 2019 in the central and southern Asian region, as it has shown a consistent improvement in its innovation ranking for the last 5 years.

For details :

INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

- Kerala: As the state is bracing itself to address the spike in Covid-19 cases in coming days, Social Security Mission Director Dr. Muhammed Asheel has said that the case load in the state will witness a surge in the next 14 days. Talking to AIR, he said people should exercise utmost restraint while utilizing the relaxations in Unlock 4. Meanwhile as part of Covid containment activities, Kozhikode district Collector has declared 40 areas in the district as containment zones and five regions as Critical containment zones. As many as 1,547 people were tested Covid positive in the state yesterday. There

were 2,129 recoveries too. Currently, 21,923 patients are undergoing treatment and 1.93 lakh people under observation in various districts. State's death toll so far is 305.

- Tamil Nadu: The number of active Covid-19 cases in Puducherry has risen to 5042 with 431 new cases and seven deaths in the last 24 hours. This has taken the total tally to 15,581 and deaths to 260 with 10,279 patients discharged till now in the UT. Former Puducherry MLA and state president of the MakkalNeethiMaaiam (MNM) Dr MAS Subramanian (77 years) died of Covid-19 on Thursday morning. JEE Main 2020 conducted with Covid-19 safety protocol in Tamil Nadu. Social media reports have pointed out that many candidates were absent despite registering themselves for the exams.
- Karnataka: State cabinet today approved new Karnataka Information Technology Working Policy 2020-25, which aims to create 60 lakh jobs in it and related services. To encourage work from home practice govt decided to invest more to create 5G infrastructure. State is planning to open LKG and UKG in government schools from next academic year, said law minister J C Madhuswamy. BBMP has constituted a team to undertake an audit of all fatalities due to Covid in various hospitals in the city. Metro Rail operations will start only on purple line on Sept 7 and green line will resume services two days later. High Court to monitor the progress of Rs 1800 crore high tech ambulance service procurement plan of State govt.
- Andhra Pradesh: With five more employees testing positive for Covid-19 on Wednesday, the number of cases that surfaced in the State Assembly and the Secretariat has gone up to 119. With thousands of cases being reported every day, the total number of cases across the state has crossed the 4.5 lakh mark. At the national level, Maharashtra (19.19 per cent) tops the list in terms of positivity, followed by Andhra Pradesh with 11.85 per cent.
- Telangana: 2817 new cases, 2611 recoveries & 10 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2817 cases, 452 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,33,406; Active cases: 32,537; Deaths: 856; Discharges: 1,00,013. CSIR-CCMB Director R.K. Mishra has clarified that there is absolutely no truth in some reports that a sub-strain of coronavirus is sweeping and spreading faster across Telangana. "The coronavirus 'A2a' clade or strain is predominant and is all over the world. It is nothing "stronger or faster" when compared to A3i, which was a weaker clade. It is just that the A2a clade is doing 'better' being the only major clade at present and there is 'nothing new'," Mr Mishra said.
- Arunachal Pradesh: 148 new COVID-19 positive cases detected during last 24 hours and 96 patients recovered and discharged from hospitals in Arunachal Pradesh. Currently, there are 1,278 active cases in the state.
- Assam: In Assam, 3,555 COVID-19 cases detected yesterday out of 47,744 tests done; positivity rate is 7.44% while 1,834 patients discharged. Total discharged patients 88,726 & active patients 26,227, Assam Health Minister tweeted.
- Manipur: 125 more persons test COVID-19 positive in Manipur. There were 157 recoveries with 70% recovery rate. There are 1,871 active cases.
- Meghalaya: In Meghalaya, 83 individuals have recovered from Coronavirus today. Total active cases 1,186, total BSF and Armed Forces 298, total others 888 & total recovered 1,318
- Mizoram: 20 fresh cases of COVID-19 confirmed in Mizoram yesterday. Total cases 1,040, active cases 389 and recovered patients 651.
- Nagaland: Nagaland reports 10th highest COVID-19 recovery rate at 80 percent. Out of 4,017 confirmed cases, 3,212 persons have now recovered. Govt. has regulated opening of Dimapur's New Market and Honkong Market from Sept 4th. Shops in the two markets to open alternately under odd-even system.

- Sikkim: Sikkim recorded 34 new COVID-19 cases on Wednesday. There are now 431 active cases while the number of cases recorded so far in the state has reached 1,704. Meanwhile, 32 persons were discharged from isolation facilities.

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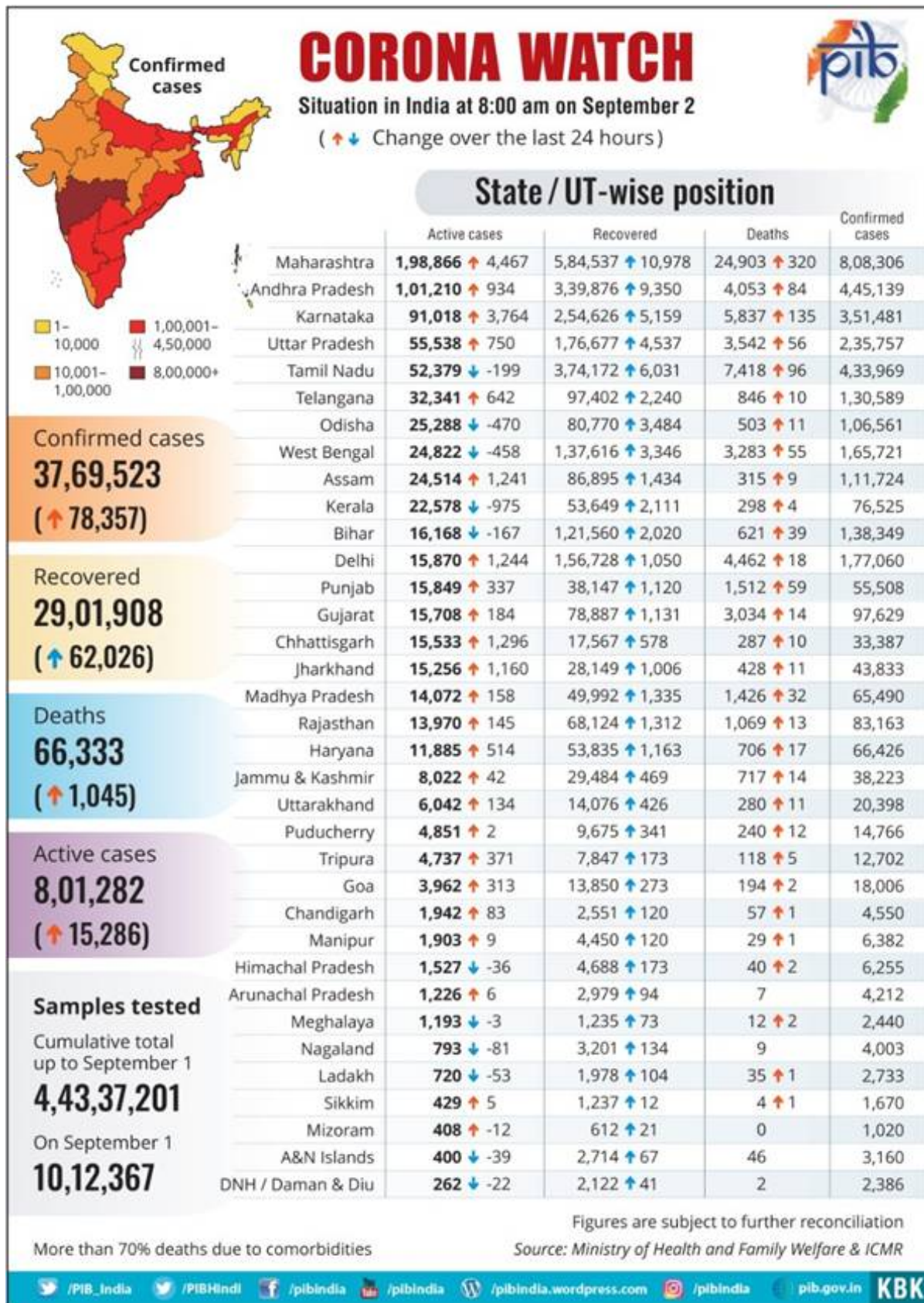
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The total recoveries in India have crossed **29 lakh** (29,01,908) as of today. Last 10 lakh recoveries have been recorded in only 17 days in comparison to preceding 10 lakh recoveries which were recorded in 22 days. A significant feature of India's management of COVID-19 cases is the growing rate of recovered patients. As India continues to sustain its progressively increasing rate of recoveries, a higher number of patients are recovering and being discharged from hospitals and home isolation. Since May 2020, there has been a **58 times** hike in the number of recovered patients. As the daily recoveries increase, India registers more than 60 thousand recoveries each day, 6th day in a row. With the recovery of **62,026** cases in the last 24 hours, India's Recovery Rate amongst the COVID-19 patients has further improved to **76.98%**. This figure is demonstrating a continuous progress. The number of recovered cases has overtaken the active cases by **more than 21 lakhs**. There has been more than **4 times jump** in the average weekly recoveries from the first week of July to last week of August.

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One of the lowest globally, India's Case Fatality Rate 1.76% and sliding

India continues to report one of the lowest COVID Case Fatality Rates (CFR) when compared to several other countries. While the global CFR stands at 3.3% as on date, the comparative figure for India is 1.76%. The deaths per million population in India is one of the lowest in the world. While the global average is 110 deaths /million population, India is reporting 48 deaths /million population. The comparative figure for Brazil and the UK is 12 and 13 times higher, respectively. Collaborative efforts of the Union and State/UT governments have resulted in strengthening of the health facilities across the country. 1578 Dedicated COVID Hospitals are providing quality medical care. A unique initiative to build the capacities of the ICU doctors in clinical management of critical patients towards reducing the fatality, e-ICU has been started by AIIMS, New Delhi. Twice a week, on Tuesdays and Fridays, tele/video -consultation sessions are held by knowledge and domain experts for the doctors manning ICUs in the State hospitals. These sessions started from 8th July 2020. Till date, 17 tele-sessions have been held, and 204 institutions have participated in them. To further build the ICU/clinical management capacities of doctors for treatment of critical patients, AIIMS New Delhi in collaboration with the Health Ministry has developed FAQs. These have been posted on the MoHFW website. They can be accessed at: https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/AIIMS_eICUsFAQs01SEP.pdf

For details:

Supply of free food grains to about 95% of the total 2.8 Crore Migrants / Stranded Migrants estimated by States/UTs under AtmaNirbhar Bharat Scheme

In wake of the situation created by the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Government of India in May, 2020 had announced a set of economic measures under the AtmaNirbhar Bharat Package (ANBP) to help mitigate the problems of the migrant workers across the country. To meet their food-security requirements amidst the crisis situation, hereafter referred as 'target group', the Department of Food & Public Distribution on 15th May 2020 had liberally allocated a total quantity of about 8 LMT of food grains to all States/UTs which was communicated to all States/UTs for free-of-cost distribution to all migrants / stranded migrant persons at a scale of 5 Kg per person per month for a period of 2 months i.e. 4 LMT each for the months of May and June 2020. As per the reports available from States/UTs, a total quantity of about 2.65 LMT food grains has been successfully distributed under the scheme up to 31.08.2020 by all States/UTs combined, covering 2.35 Cr. persons in May 2020, over 2.48 Cr. persons in

June 2020, about 31.43 Lakh persons in July 2020 and nearly 16 Lakh migrant persons in August 2020 (About 2.65 Crore persons on an average per month for the months of May and June respectively). Therefore, having served all identified and deserving 'target group' the scheme has been very successful in serving about 95% of the total 2.8 Cr. migrants/stranded migrants' population estimated by the States/UTs. About 17 States/UTs were able to utilize 80% or more food-grains in relation to their assessment.

For details:

Cabinet approves "Mission Karmayogi"- National Programme for Civil Services Capacity Building

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has approved launching of a **National Programme for Civil Services Capacity Building (NPCSCB)** with the following institutional framework:-

- i. Prime Minister's Public Human Resources (HR) Council,
- ii. Capacity Building Commission.
- iii. Special Purpose Vehicle for owning and operating the digital assets and the technological platform for online training,
- iv. Coordination Unit headed by the Cabinet Secretary.

NPCSCB has been carefully designed to lay the foundations for capacity building for Civil Servants so that they remain entrenched in Indian Culture and sensibilities and remain connected, with their roots, while they learn from the best institutions and practices across the world. The Programme will be delivered by setting up an **Integrated Government Online Training-iGOTKarmayogi** Platform.

For details:

Shri Piyush Goyal calls for taking the Indo-US trade to greater heights; says the two nations can be resilient trusted partners in the global value chain

Commerce and Industry Minister Shri Piyush Goyal has invited the US business and industry to work with their Indian counterparts to take the bilateral trade to greater heights. Addressing the US-India Strategic Partnership Forum through a virtual conference yesterday, Shri Goyal said that the two democracies share deep commitment with each other, at the Government, Business and people to people levels. Both countries believe in free and fair trade, and the US is India's largest trading partner. He said that going beyond the trade, in this interconnected world, the two nations can be the resilient trusted partners in global value chain. He said that economic activity in the country had suffered due to pandemic but there have been indications of sharp revivals. The Minister said that the early and strong steps taken by India to check the spread of Covid has stood the country in good stead, as the fatality rate is less than 2% and the recovery rate is above 75%. The Minister said that despite large population, people of India showed great ability to adjust with the time. He said that the lockdown period was used by the country to strengthen the health infrastructure, and the stimulus/relief package has helped the people fight the pandemic.

For details:

Economy Instructions Related To Printed Activities

Given the prevailing circumstances in which the world is increasingly moving towards adopting digital force-multipliers for productivity, the Government of India has decided to follow this best practice. There is to be no activity towards printing wall calendars, desktop calendars, diaries and other such material for use in the coming year by any Ministries/Departments/PSUs/PSBs and all other organs of the government. All such activity shall go digital and online.

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- Chandigarh: The Administrator, UT Chandigarh, directed doctors to focus on symptomatic patients and to take special care of their health. He also mentioned that covid positive persons staying in home isolation should be regularly monitored. They should be brought to hospital in case there is deterioration or aggravation of their medical condition. The Control Room must check their status everyday over phone and ambulance should be in readiness to shift them to hospital. Such facility should be available round-the-clock.
- Himachal Pradesh: Chief Minister said that State Government was contemplating to open temples in the State soon for which SOP would be prepared to facilitate the devotees. He said that Deputy Commissioners have been directed to simplify the process of entry to the State but at the same time the process of e-pass would remain in force. He said that the Government was ensuring that development in the State does not get affected due to Covid-19 pandemic.
- Kerala: A study held by Union Health Ministry - as part of implementing Unlock 4 - has revealed that the Covid crisis in Kerala is alarming. It is shown that Kerala tops in increasing rate of daily Covid cases at 4.3 percent and is in second place after Maharashtra when it comes to the rate of people testing positive. The rate of testing is only 6.23% in Kerala and is in the last spot in this category, according to the study report. Meanwhile, five more Covid deaths were reported in the State today taking the toll to 303. Kerala's Covid case count reached 76,525 yesterday, with 1,140 fresh cases. 22,512 patients are undergoing treatment and 1.96 lakh people under observation.
- Tamil Nadu: The number of Covid-19 cases crossed 15,000 and the toll went past 250 in Puducherry on Wednesday. 397 fresh cases and 13 deaths were reported in the last 24 hours in the Union territory. Passenger trains, inter-district buses to resume operations in Tamil Nadu from September 7. The announcement came amid complaints from the public about difficulties faced in travelling long distances within the state since the govt had only allowed intra-district bus operations from 1st September.
- Karnataka: Bengaluru has witnessed substantial improvement in Covid situation. Fatality rate has reduced to 0.9% in last 15 days meeting the Union Govt's target to keep it under 1%. Positivity Rate has reduced to 10.2% from 23% in July despite increasing testing to 25,000/day from 4000/day. KSRTC gets nod to fill all seats in buses under Unlock 4. After slow start pubs await till weekend. Kempegowda International Airport complete 100 days of post lockdown operations, 84% of pre-covid domestic network reconnected. Karnataka yesterday reported 9000 Covid cases for the second time.
- Andhra Pradesh: To deal with surging Covid-19 cases, State government hired over 1,350 ambulances, exclusively to be used for transportation of patients to hospitals and Covid care centres. Call centres set up in mandals will coordinate with health workers, doctors and hospitals, and assign ambulances. Special Chief Secretary, Medical and Health, KS Jawahar Reddy said the State govt is laying emphasis

on reducing the number of deaths. He warned private hospital of severe action if they collect excess charges for Covid treatment.

- **Telangana:** 2892 new cases, 2240 recoveries & 10 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2892 cases, 477 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,30,589; Active cases: 32,341; Deaths: 846; Discharges: 97,402. A stronger sub-strain of the novel coronavirus which spreads faster is now sweeping across Telangana, said the city-based Centre for Cellular & Molecular Biology (CCMB), one of India's top research organisation.
- **Arunachal Pradesh:** In Arunachal Pradesh 100 new Covid positive cases detected during last twenty four hours. Current recovery rate is 70.72 % in the state.
- **Assam:** In Assam 1434 COVID-19 patients discharged on Tuesday. The total active COVID-19 cases in the state stands at 24514 while 86892 patients were discharged.
- **Manipur:** In Manipur 130 more persons test Covid19 positive. There were 120 recoveries with 69 percent recovery rate. There are 1903 active cases in the state.
- **Meghalaya:** In Meghalaya, 73 individuals have recovered from Coronavirus today. The total active cases in the state stands at 1193. Out of them 304 are from BSF and Armed Forces.
- **Mizoram:** Eight fresh Covid-19 cases detected in Mizoram yesterday. Total cases in the state reached to 1020 out of them 410 are active cases.
- **Nagaland:** In Nagaland odd-even traffic system to continue in Dimapur&Kohima. Dimapur's major markets - New Market, Hazi Park & Hongkong Market are likely to open this week. Dimapur DC says modalities being worked out.
- **Sikkim:** In Sikkim a total of 41558 COVID-19 tests were done till today.
- **Maharashtra:** The Maharashtra government has extended by three months its directive to to reserve 80 per cent beds in private hospitals and nursing homes across the state to treat Covid-19 patients. State Health Minister Rajesh Tope said that with the availability of beds, the rate of treatment will also be controlled. Meanwhile, with 15,765 new Covid cases reported on Tuesday, the case count in the state crossed the 8 lakh mark. The number of active cases has climbed up to 1.98 lakhs.
- **Rajasthan:** Spurt in Covid-19 cases has prompted the State government to consider converting more government hospitals into dedicated Covid hospitals. In addition, facilities at the existing dedicated Covid care centre, RUHS Hospital, will be upgraded. The government will add a 100-bed Covid care centre on RUHS premises for patients with mild or moderate symptoms. Rajasthan has 13,970 active cases as on date.
- **Chhattisgarh:** Chhattisgarh witnessed the biggest spike in COVID-19 cases in a single-day with 1,514 people testing positive on Tuesday, taking the tally to 33,017, while 10 more patients died, pushing up the fatalities to 287. Raipur district, the worst-hit by the pandemic in the state, with 453 new cases, Durg district (226) and Rajnandgaon district (149) were the biggest contributors to the tally
- **Goa:** The Goa Airport has done away with a rule which laid down that all domestic travelers must submit COVID-19 negative certificates on arrival. This follows the Unlock 4.0 guidelines issued by the Central Government. The restaurants and bars in the state have also opened. Meanwhile, Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant has tested positive for Covid. The 47 year old Sawant, said he is asymptomatic and under home isolation.

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दावा: लखनऊ के कई परीक्षा केंद्रों में #JEE मेंस की परीक्षा रद्द कर दी गई है। #PIBfactcheck: यह खबर फर्जी है। @DG_NTA के अनुसार आज कोई भी परीक्षा कृष्णा नगर और जानकीपुरम केंद्रों में निर्धारित नहीं की गई है बल्कि इसका आयोजन लखनऊ के अन्य केंद्रों में किया जा रहा है।

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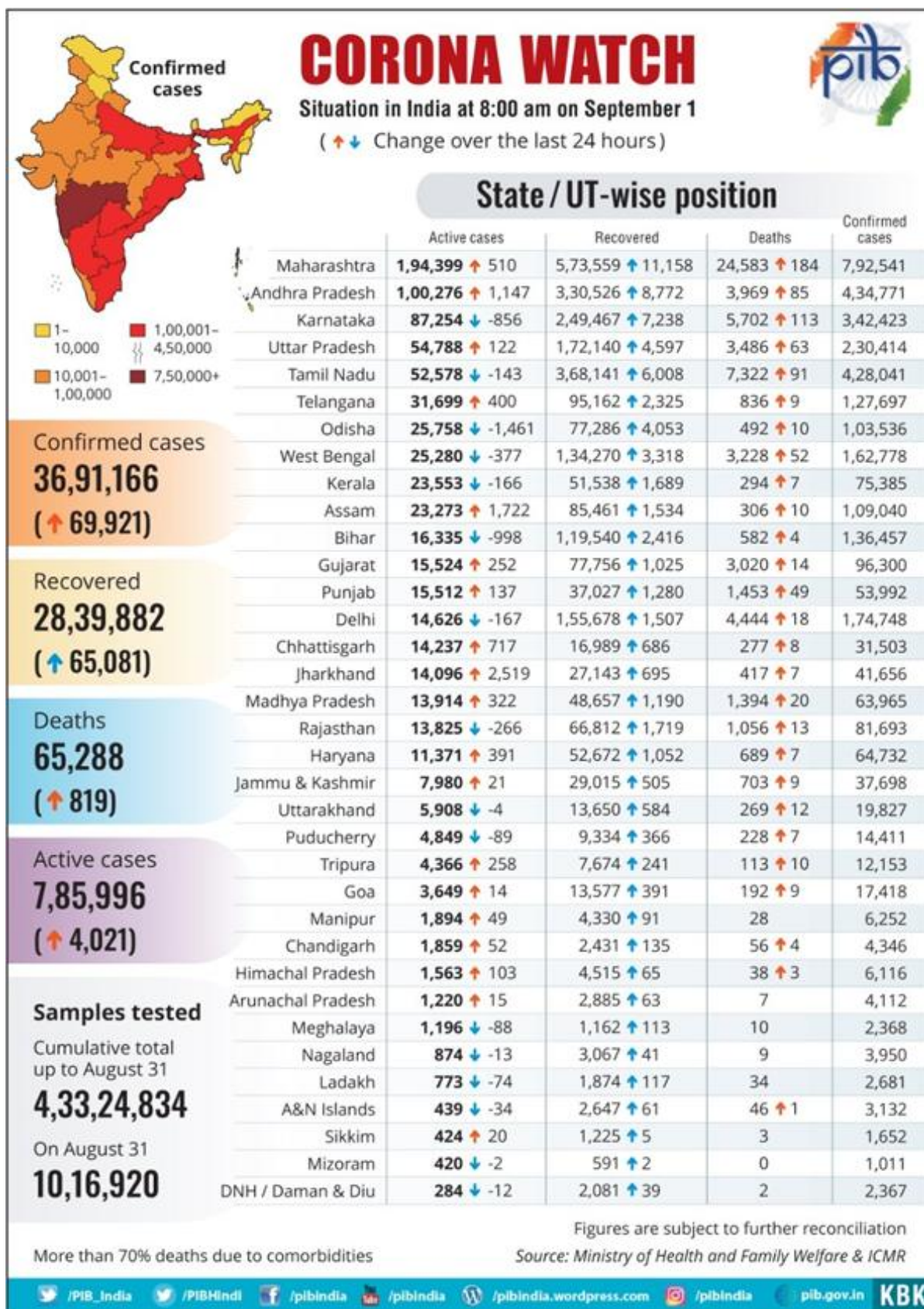
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(Contains Press releases concerning Covid-19, issued in last 24 hours, inputs from PIB Field Offices and Fact checks undertaken by PIB).





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Continuing the streak of posting more than 60,000 recoveries each day since the past five days, India has registered **65,081** recoveries in the last 24 hours. The cumulative number of recovered patients have grown to **28,39,882**, taking the Recovery Rate among COVID-19 patients to further high of **77%**. The

number of recovered patients has overtaken the active cases by **3.61** times. India has more than **20.53 lakh** recovered people than the active cases that stand at **7,85,996** today. The number of recovered patients has grown 4 times from the first week of July to the last week of August 2020. In the last 24 hours, five States have posted the highest addition to the new cases in the country. These are Maharashtra (11,852), Andhra Pradesh (10,004), Karnataka (6,495), Tamil Nadu (5,956) and Uttar Pradesh (4,782). Together they account for 56% of the confirmed cases added in the last 24 hours. While Maharashtra reported recoveries of 11,158 patients, the corresponding figures for Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka stand at 8,772 and 7,238. Tamil Nadu follows with 6,008, while Uttar Pradesh posted recovery of 4,597 COVID patients. With a cumulative figure of 536 deaths in the last 24 hours, the above mentioned five states together account for 65.4% of the deaths added to the national total (819). Maharashtra has reported 184 deaths, Karnataka has added 113, followed by Tamil Nadu (91), Andhra Pradesh (85) and Uttar Pradesh (63).

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State/UT data on new additions, recoveries and reported deaths

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India's cumulative tests have crossed 4.3 crores today (4,33,24,834). 1,22,66,514 tests were done in the last two weeks alone. States/UTs are progressively increasing their testing capacity. The States contributing maximum to the overall number of tests include Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra among others. These three States account for nearly 34% of the total testing. India's per day testing capacity has crossed 10 lakhs tests. 10,16,920 tests were conducted in the last 24 hours. The Tests Per Million (TPM) have also seen a sharp increase to 31,394. 22 States/UTs have better TPM than National Average. Goa, Delhi, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu are reporting maximum number of tests in a day.

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Role played by India during the COVID crisis with the supply of critical medical products indicates India's credibility and reliability as a partner: ShriPiyushGoyal

India, Australia and Japan held a ministerial videoconference on Supply Chains Resilience today. Addressing the meeting, Minister of Commerce and Industry ShriPiyushGoyal said that India, in its tradition of treating the world as a family, played a crucial role during the COVID crisis with the export measures for supply of critical medical products put in place only to ensure equitable distribution. "All these measures indicate our credibility and reliability as a partner and I am sure this is an important parameter as we venture into this new initiative for ensuring resiliency of supply chains. Transparency and trust have to be the hallmark of our initiative if we seek to expand its footprint. We firmly believe that Australia and Japan are key partners for us in our joint endeavor", ShriGoyal said.

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GaribKalyanRojgarAbhiyaan empowering villagers with livelihood opportunities - Success stories of beneficiaries

The GaribKalyanRojgarAbhiyaan (GKRA) has been launched to boost employment and livelihood opportunities for migrant workers returning to villages and similarly affected citizens in rural areas, in the wake of COVID-19 outbreak. The Abhiyaan is taking action on mission mode to provide

employment to migrant workers who have returned to their native villages of 6 states namely Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. The Abhiyaan is now empowering villagers with livelihood opportunities in 116 districts of these states.

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Ladakh and Lakshadweep integrated in existing national portability cluster of One Nation One Ration Card

Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Sh. Ram Vilas Paswan recently reviewed the progress made towards the implementation of “One Nation One Ration Card” plan and while taking note of the requisite technical readiness of another 2 Union Territories of Ladakh and Lakshadweep, approved the integration of these 2 UTs with existing national portability cluster of 24 States/UTs. Both the UTs have completed the trial and testing of national portability transactions with other States/UTs in national cluster. With this, a total of 26 States/UTs are now seamlessly connected with each other under the One Nation One Ration Card plan and migratory PDS beneficiaries in these 26 States/UTs can access their subsidised food grains at the same Scale and Central Issue Prices from any Fair Price Shop (FPS) of their choice w.e.f. 1st September 2020. A total of more than 65 Crore beneficiaries are now potentially enabled with an option to lift their subsidised food grains through One Nation One Ration Card system.

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- Punjab: Amid spiralling cases of Covid, Punjab Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh has announced his government’s decision to continue with restrictions in urban areas, including weekend lockdown in all the 167 municipal towns of the state, along with 7 p.m.-5 a.m. curfew in all cities till the end of September. There will be total curfew on Saturdays and Sundays in the municipal limits, while movement of individuals for all non-essential activities shall remain prohibited between 7:00 pm to 5:00 am within municipal limits of all the cities of Punjab throughout the week, as per the orders of the Chief Minister.
- Himachal Pradesh: Chief Minister said that people needed to be more cautious about the corona virus, as during the rainy season the cases of corona positive were rising at a faster pace during the last few days. He urged the people to use face masks while going out in public places and also regularly wash hands with soap to check spread of this virus.
- Arunachal Pradesh: In Arunachal Pradesh, 78 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 1220 active cases in the state.
- Assam: In Assam, 3266 more people tested positive for COVID-19 and 1531 people discharged on Monday. Total cases rise to 109040, discharged 85458, active 23273 and 306 deaths.
- Manipur: In Manipur, 140 more people tested COVID-19 positive and 1894 active cases. There were 91 recoveries with 69% recovery rate.
- Meghalaya: Even as the Ministry of Home Affairs is miffed with Meghalaya government for not lifting ban on unhindered entry of people, Deputy Chief Minister Prestone Tynsong has defended the stand saying that protection of local populace from COVID pandemic weighed supreme. Without sounding too confrontationalist, Tynsong said, “We are not defying the orders of the Home Ministry, but some regulations had become imperative to contain spread of the virus.”

- Mizoram: In Mizoram, total COVID-19 cases 1012 and active cases 423. Consequent upon West Bengal's state-wide lockdown to be observed on 7.9.2020, 11.9.2020 & 12.9.2020 which includes the airports, Lengpui Airport of Mizoram shall be opened for commercial passenger airlines on 8.9.2020 & 9.9.2020 instead of 7.9.2020 & 12.9.2020 as a one-time modification.
- Nagaland: Nagaland govt lifts restrictions on inter & intra-state movement from today. Lockdown to continue in containment areas till Sept 30. Nagaland has 3950 positive cases and of these security forces account for 1692 cases, returnees 1260, traced contacts 715 & frontline workers 283.
- Sikkim: In Sikkim, 18 more people tested positive for COVID-19, discharged 1237 and active cases 414.
- Kerala: Seven more persons succumbed to Covid-19 in the State today. The fatalities were reported from Kollam, Kozhikode, Kannur and Malappuram districts, bringing the death toll to 301. The number of policemen contracting the virus in the capital has also gone up. JEE exam was held in the state in 13 centers today by abiding Covid protocols. Three members of a Malayali family hailing from Kollam, died of Covid -19 while undergoing treatment in Odisha. 1,530 persons in the State were confirmed of Covid-19 yesterday. At present 23,488 patients are undergoing treatment and 1,98,843 people under observation in various districts.
- Tamil Nadu: 363 Covid cases and 12 deaths were reported in Puducherry in the last 24 hours, taking the total number of cases to 14,766, active cases to 4851, and total deaths to 240. New guidelines issued for 'Unlock 4' in Puducherry: All shops, establishments, hotels (including dining in) and private offices would function from 6 a.m to 8 p.m; liquor shops to open as per the licensing conditions and close by 8 p.m. Tamil Nadu unveils new quarantine protocol: Mandatory tests for foreign travellers, home isolation for asymptomatic domestic passengers; the State has made the use of thermal scanners, masks and hand sanitisers mandatory at parks, malls and places of worship.
- Karnataka: Ahead of Karnataka legislature session, Covid-negative certificate may be must for lawmakers. Media reports that, to avoid crowding at Vidhana Soudha, the public will not be allowed to witness the session this time. In Mysuru, as many as 470 police personnel have been infected with Covid-19 since its outbreak.
- Andhra Pradesh: JEE Mains for admission to IITs held in 52 centres across Andhra Pradesh today. As many as 82,748 candidates are appearing for the exam and elaborate arrangements were made at all exam centres. Municipal Corporation of Tirupati has relaxed all lockdown restrictions following the latest Government of India Unlock 4.0 guidelines. As per the new guidelines all the business can run Morning to Night 9 pm. People can obtain permission from the police for organising functions, political party meetings, marriages by confining the number of participants below 100.
- Telangana: 2734 new cases, 2325 recoveries & 09 deaths reported in the last 24 hours; out of 2734 cases, 347 cases reported from GHMC. Total cases: 1,27,697; Active cases: 31,699; Deaths: 836; Discharges: 95,162. The Covid-19 map of Telangana is fast changing with surge in numbers in districts far away from Hyderabad — especially towards the eastern side. The top five that have seen cases double in the last couple of weeks are: Yadadri, Kothagudem, Khammam, Mahabubabad and Nalgonda.
- Maharashtra: With 1,935 new Covid cases reported on Monday, Pune has overtaken Delhi to become the worst affected centre in Delhi with total reported cases of 1,75,105. Delhi has 1.74 lakh reported cases, while Mumbai 1.45 lakh cases. The number of active cases in Pune is 52,172. Maharashtra on Monday reported 11,852 new cases taking its overall tally to 7,92,541. Meanwhile, the State Government has eased the travel restrictions on inter-district movement and the ePass requirement has been done away with.

- Gujarat: Amid increasing Covid 19 cases in Rajkot, a team of senior health officials and doctors led by Principal Secretary (Health) Jayanti Ravi has arrived in the city. The experts will monitor facilities in government and private hospitals for COVID-19 patients and provide guidance to doctors on treatment protocol for coronavirus and tele-mentoring, among other steps. The government will also provide additional ventilators and beds for COVID-19 patients in Rajkot. Gujarat, meanwhile reported 1,280 new cases during the last 24 hours. At present, there are 15,631 active cases in the state.
- Rajasthan: A total of 670 new Covid-19 cases, 117 recoveries and six deaths were reported from Rajasthan in the last 24 hours, taking the total number of cases to 82,363. The total figure includes 14,372 active cases and 66,929 recoveries. So far, 1,062 lives have been claimed by the infectious virus in the state.
- Madhya Pradesh : MP reported as many as 32,159 COVID-19 cases in the month of August, slightly more than double of the total cases reported till July 31. The positive tally as on August 31 evening stood at 63,965, while the tally by July end was at 31,806. The spurt in the cases is evident by the fact that since the past two days, more than 1,500 cases are being reported in the state per day. In 24 hours till Monday evening, 1,532 cases were reported. The death toll currently stands at 1,394, of which 527 or 37.8 per cent were reported in August alone.

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