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PIB'S BULLETIN ON COVID-19

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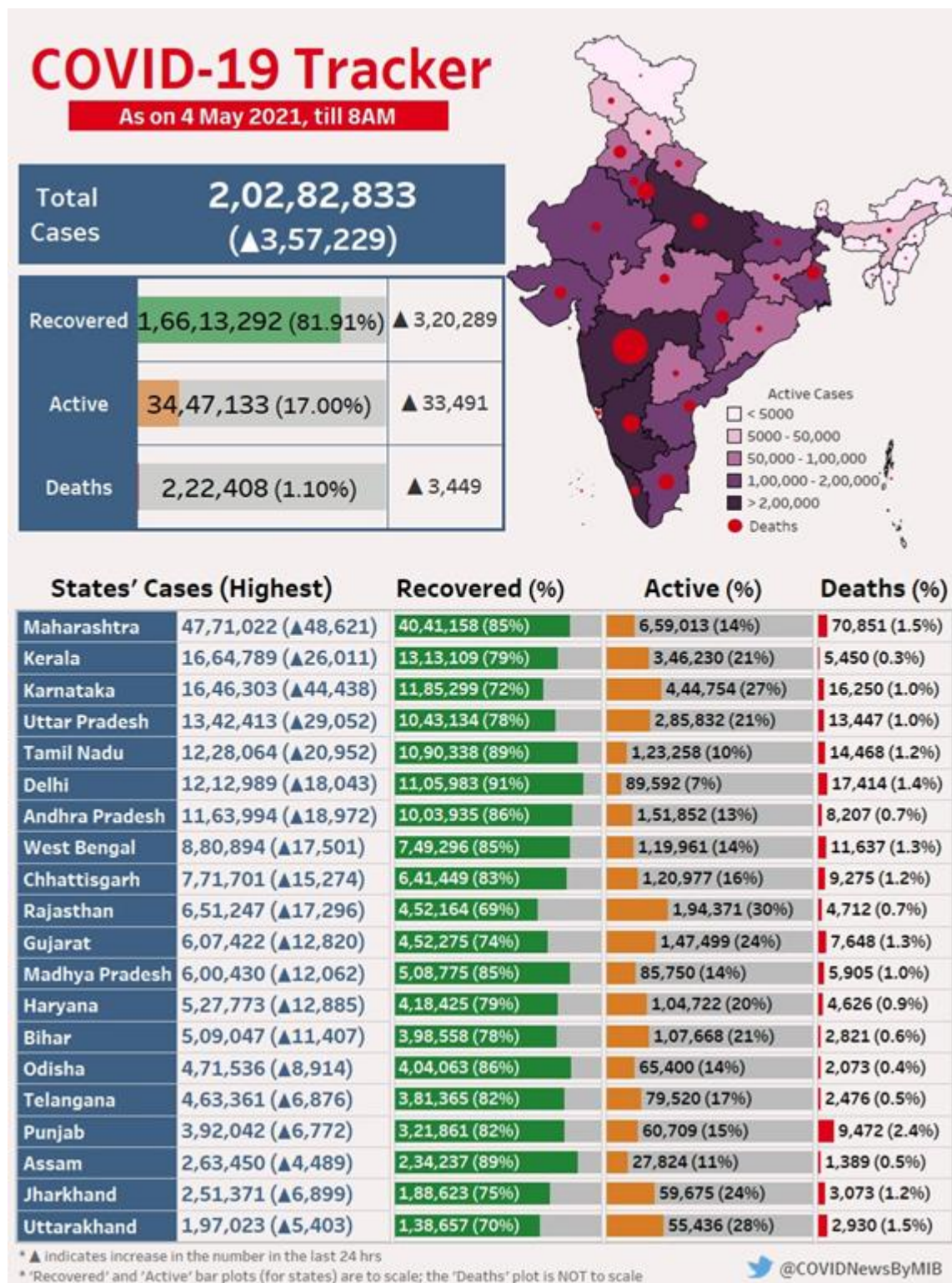


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- 4,06,339 beneficiaries of the age group 18-44 years received their first dose of COVID vaccine across 12 States/UT.
- India's cumulative recoveries stand at 1,66,13,292 today.
- The National Recovery Rate is 81.91% with 3,20,289 recoveries being reported in the last 24 hours.
- Two States/UTs have not reported any COVID-19 deaths in the last 24 hours. These are D&D & D&N and Arunachal Pradesh.



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Govt. of India has so far provided more than 16.69 crore vaccine doses to States/UTs Free of Cost

More than 75 lakh doses are still available with the States/UTs to be administered. Over 48 Lakh doses in addition will be received by the States/UTs in the next 3 days

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Effective Allocation by Government of India of COVID -19 supplies received from the Global Community for Fight against the Global Pandemic

The global community has extended a helping hand in supporting efforts of Government of India in this collective fight against the global COVID19 pandemic. Medical equipment, medicines, oxygen concentrators, ventilators etc., are being provided by many countries. A streamlined and systematic mechanism for allocation of the support supplies received by India has been put into place, for effective distribution of the medical and other relief and support material.

For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715896>

Threefold increase in production of Remdesivir in the country - Shri Mansukh Mandaviya

The production of remdesivir is being increased at a rapid pace in the country. In just a few days, India has achieved 3 times the production capacity of Remdesivir and will soon be able to meet the growing demand. This was announced by the Minister of State for Chemical and Fertilizers Shri Mansukh Mandaviya today.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715876>

Delhi to receive 244 tonnes more Oxygen Today; With this, Oxygen Expresses would deliver nearly 450 MT of LMO to Delhi alone in 24 hours, counting from deliveries that took early hours today

So far, Indian Railways has delivered 1585MT (approx) of LMO in 103 tankers to various states across the country. 27 Oxygen Expresses have already completed their journey and 6 more loaded Oxygen Express are on the run carrying 463 MT (approx) of LMO in 33 tankers.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715936>

Asiatic Lions housed in Hyderabad zoo infected with SARS-COV2 recovering well.

No factual evidence that animals can transmit the disease to humans any further. Based on experience with zoo animals elsewhere in the world that have experienced SARS-COV2 positive last year, there is no factual evidence that animals can transmit the disease to humans any further. **Media is therefore requested to exercise extreme caution while reporting and provide a responsible coverage for the same.**

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IMPORTANT TWEETS

देश में तेज़ गति से रेमडेसिवीर का उत्पादन बढ़ाया जा रहा है।
सिर्फ कुछ ही दिनों में भारत ने रेमडेसिवीर की उत्पादन क्षमता 3 गुना तक हाँसिल की है और जल्द ही बढ़ती हुई मांग को पूरा कर पाएंगे !
PM @NarendraModi जी के नेतृत्व में सरकार द्वारा कोरोना से लड़ने के लिए अथक प्रयास जारी है। pic.twitter.com/hHqpnrxizx

— Mansukh Mandaviya (@mansukhmandviya) May 4, 2021

Importing COVID related equipments or medicaments through courier!

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— CBIC (@cbic_india) May 4, 2021

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— CBIC (@cbic_india) May 3, 2021

MoRTH has made it mandatory for #Oxygen containers/tankers/vehicles to be fitted with Vehicle Location Tracking (VLT) devices.

GPS tracking will ensure monitoring and protection of these tankers, besides ensuring there is no diversion or delay pic.twitter.com/I54wEscXNV

— PIBIndiaMoRTH (@PIBMoRTH) May 4, 2021

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Maharashtra: The Municipal Corporation of greater Mumbai has added 1500 beds at its NESCO Covid care centre at Goregaon. The Nation's first 'Drive in Vaccination Centre' was inaugurated in Mumbai today. This centre has been set up in the parking lot of Kohinoor Square Tower at Dadar. This first of its kind 'Drive in Vaccination Centre' facility has been made available to the citizens at a time when people with disabilities are facing difficulties in getting to the vaccination centre.



Gujarat: Gujarat has recorded 12,820 new cases of Covid19 yesterday. 11,999 patients recovered during the last 24 hours and were discharged from the hospitals.

Meanwhile, 1,41,843 persons were vaccinated in the state yesterday. Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation has suspended the vaccination of 45 plus age group in the city from today. According to the release, it will start again after the arrival of a new stock of vaccines.

Rajasthan: Rajasthan Government has sought 54 more tankers, with fleet size having a combined capacity of 500 metric tonnes, from the Centre for an uninterrupted supply of oxygen from states like West Bengal and Odisha. Chief Secretary Niranjana Arya, while reviewing the need and availability of oxygen in the state on Monday, directed the officials to expedite delivery of oxygen concentrators in the state. The urban development and housing (UDH) department on Monday announced several measures for speedy setting up of oxygen plants in the state.

Madhya Pradesh: In Madhya Pradesh, accredited journalists have been included in the frontline workers category in the state.. The schedule for vaccination for 16 May onwards will be decided based on the availability of vaccine. State has received 1.5 lakh vaccine doses for the 18 plus age group.

Chhattisgarh: All the district of the state including Raipur have been declared as containment zones from April 9 to May 6 morning. Subsequently, the economic and business activities have been withheld in the state. Chief Minister Shri Baghel has written a letter to Union Finance Minister Mrs. Nirmala Sitharaman, with a request to grant relief for the small and medium businessmen of Chhattisgarh, considering their problems due to the state being a 'containment zone.'

Goa: The Goa government on Tuesday decided to bring non-essential services, including restaurants, under the ambit of the COVID-19 induced restrictions in the state which will remain in force till May 10. Modifying the previous order issued by the state government on the extent of the restrictions, Chief Minister Pramod Sawant said that non-essential services will remain closed keeping in mind the "sentiments of the people".

Kerala: So far 75,55,532 people have been taken vaccine in the state so far. Out of this, 61,03,563 took first dose and 14,51,969 second dose. Mini lockdown type restrictions have come into force in the state from today, as Covid transmission gets worse. 26,011 more positive cases were reported yesterday. TPR is 27.01. Active cases has touched 3,45,887 and death toll 5450.

Tamil Nadu: DMK president and Chief Minister-elect MK Stalin, on Tuesday announced media professionals as frontline workers; the journalists will now be eligible for all benefits, including priority vaccination against coronavirus. MK Stalin, on Monday, also directed the State government officials to sell Remdesivir in other cities too. The State government on Monday announced more restrictions as part of its Covid-19 containment strategy, including a ban on running shops other than those selling essentials



like vegetables and provisions. TN on Monday recorded an all-time high in new Covid-19 infections adding 20,952 cases to the caseload of 12,28,064 while 122 deaths pushed the toll to 14,468 so far. 76,877 people were administered Covid19 vaccine yesterday. Till date 61,23,161 have been vaccinated across the State till date, of which 47,05,715 received first dose and 14,17,446 received second dose.

Karnataka:As per the State Government bulletin released for 03-05-2021, New Cases Reported: 44,438; Total Active Cases: 444734; New Covid Deaths: 239; Total Covid Deaths: 16250. Around 59,918 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 98,78,213 have been vaccinated in the state till now. Karnataka DCM Ashwath Narayan will be heading new Covid Task Force, reconstituted amid the increasing pandemic.

Andhra Pradesh: State reported 18,972 new Covid-19 cases with 71 deaths, while 10,227 got discharged during the last 24 hours. Total cases: 11,63,994; Active cases: 1,51,852; Discharges: 10,03,935; Deaths: 8207. A total of 67,29,038 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 51,92,245 first dose and 15,36,793 second doses. Principal Secretary (Health) Anil Kumar Singhal has said that a committee has been set up with senior officials to procure Covid medication right from oxygen cylinders to medicines. With the spike in Covid-19 cases, the State has decided to impose a partial curfew for 14 days starting from May 5. All the shops shall be open only from 6 AM to 12 Noon with Section 144 in force and only emergency services will be allowed from thereon.

Telangana: 6,876 new daily cases and 59 deaths were reported in the state yesterday (Monday) taking the cumulative number of positive cases in the state to 4,63,361 and fatalities to 2,476. Now, the number of Active Cases in the state stands at 79,520. The State Govt has made the prior registration mandatory for receiving the Covid vaccine either first or second dose for the people aged above 45 years. The Health Department said this decision was taken to avoid crowds at the Vaccination Centres and on the spot registration of beneficiaries has been stopped with immediate effect.

Assam: 29 people lost their lives due to COVID-19 infection in Assam on Monday. The state recorded 4,489 new infections, the positivity rate being 8.02 percent. Kamrup(Metro) recorded 1,645 positive cases. Principal-cum-Chief Superintendent of Guwahati Medical College & Hospital Dr. Achyut Chandra Baishya said that around 200 beds, including those with ICU facility are vacant at his hospital. All national parks and wildlife sanctuaries in the state have been closed for visitors with immediate effect in view of the surge in COVID-19 cases.

Manipur: 1.Manipur's COVID-19 active caseload rose to 2,071 with 362 new positive cases.COVID-19 claimed seven more lives in Manipur..As per the latest update, the cumulative number of people who have been vaccinated in the state reached 20,9,074.COVID-19 vaccination of people above 18 yet to begin in Manipur.



Meghalaya: Meghalaya on Monday recorded its highest death toll of six while 246 new cases were detected in the state. The state also recorded 177 recoveries to take the total to 15,606. Meghalaya on Monday got an additional stock of 75,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccines .

Sikkim: Sikkim registered 27 new Covid cases. The State's active Covid tally is now 1723 while 146 patients are presently admitted in the Covid hospitals. One more Covid casualty was reported, taking the death toll to 150 in Sikkim since the pandemic started last year.

Tripura: 134 new positive cases were detected with no death in the state and thus the total active cases in the state stands at 1455. Meanwhile state received 1.5 lakhs of vaccines yesterday.

Nagaland: Nagaland reported 101 new Covid cases & 6 deaths on Monday. Active cases are 1584 and tally stands at 14,451. Dimapur, Kohima have been declared containment zones due to rapid surge in Covid cases. All activities including movement of persons have been suspended for 7 days.

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Corona Facts A few common Myths




MYTH


Can thermal scanners detect infected people ?

FACT

No, thermal scanners don't detect infected people. They just detect **body temperature**.

People with a **raised temperature** should be assessed for **other symptoms of COVID-19**.



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COVID-19 संबंधित जानकारी के लिए
राज्य हेल्पलाइन नंबरों या स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार को 24x7 हेल्पलाइन नंबर 1075 (टोल फ्री) पर कॉल करें

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- On a steadily growing path, over 3 Lakh Recoveries in the last 24 hour
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- Ad hoc exemption from IGST on imports of specified COVID-19 relief material donated from abroad

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COVID-19 Tracker

As on 3 May 2021, till 8AM

Total
Cases

1,99,25,604
(▲3,68,147)

Recovered

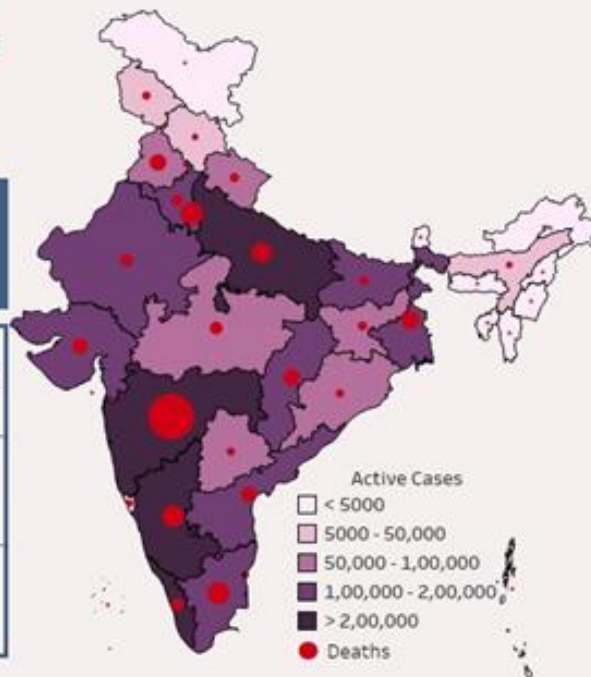
1,62,93,003 (81.77%) ▲ 3,00,732

Active

34,13,642 (17.13%) ▲ 63,998

Deaths

2,18,959 (1.10%) ▲ 3,417



States' Cases (Highest)

Recovered (%)

Active (%)

Deaths (%)

| | | | | |
|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Maharashtra | 47,22,401 (▲56,647) | 39,81,658 (84%) | 6,70,459 (14%) | 70,284 (1.5%) |
| Kerala | 16,38,778 (▲31,959) | 12,93,590 (79%) | 3,39,783 (21%) | 5,405 (0.3%) |
| Karnataka | 16,01,865 (▲37,733) | 11,64,398 (73%) | 4,21,456 (26%) | 16,011 (1.0%) |
| Uttar Pradesh | 13,13,361 (▲30,857) | 10,04,447 (76%) | 2,95,752 (23%) | 13,162 (1.0%) |
| Tamil Nadu | 12,07,112 (▲20,768) | 10,72,322 (89%) | 1,20,444 (10%) | 14,346 (1.2%) |
| Delhi | 11,94,946 (▲20,394) | 10,85,690 (91%) | 92,290 (8%) | 16,966 (1.4%) |
| Andhra Pradesh | 11,45,022 (▲23,920) | 9,93,708 (87%) | 1,43,178 (13%) | 8,136 (0.7%) |
| West Bengal | 8,63,393 (▲17,515) | 7,33,359 (85%) | 1,18,495 (14%) | 11,539 (1.3%) |
| Chhattisgarh | 7,56,427 (▲11,825) | 6,27,051 (83%) | 1,20,367 (16%) | 9,009 (1.2%) |
| Rajasthan | 6,33,951 (▲18,298) | 4,40,215 (69%) | 1,89,178 (30%) | 4,558 (0.7%) |
| Gujarat | 5,94,602 (▲12,978) | 4,40,276 (74%) | 1,46,818 (25%) | 7,508 (1.3%) |
| Madhya Pradesh | 5,88,368 (▲12,662) | 4,95,367 (84%) | 87,189 (15%) | 5,812 (1.0%) |
| Haryana | 5,14,888 (▲13,322) | 4,05,132 (79%) | 1,05,270 (20%) | 4,486 (0.9%) |
| Bihar | 4,97,640 (▲13,534) | 3,84,955 (77%) | 1,09,946 (22%) | 2,739 (0.6%) |
| Odisha | 4,62,622 (▲8,015) | 3,97,575 (86%) | 62,979 (14%) | 2,068 (0.4%) |
| Telangana | 4,56,485 (▲5,695) | 3,73,933 (82%) | 80,135 (18%) | 2,417 (0.5%) |
| Punjab | 3,85,270 (▲7,280) | 3,15,845 (82%) | 60,108 (16%) | 9,317 (2.4%) |
| Assam | 2,58,961 (▲2,385) | 2,31,703 (89%) | 25,898 (10%) | 1,360 (0.5%) |
| Jharkhand | 2,44,472 (▲4,738) | 1,83,009 (75%) | 58,519 (24%) | 2,944 (1.2%) |
| Uttarakhand | 1,91,620 (▲5,606) | 1,35,206 (71%) | 53,612 (28%) | 2,802 (1.5%) |

* ▲ Indicates increase in the number in the last 24 hrs

* 'Recovered' and 'Active' bar plots (for states) are to scale; the 'Deaths' plot is NOT to scale

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On a steadily growing path, over 3 Lakh Recoveries in the last 24 hours

- The number of COVID tests conducted across the country has crossed 29.16 cr today. 29,16,47,037 have been conducted as on date. India's cumulative recoveries now stand at 1,62,93,003 today.

- **The National Mortality Rate has been falling and currently stands at 1.10%** and is continuously declining.
- **Three States/UTs have not reported any COVID-19 deaths in the last 24 hours.** These are D&D & D&N, Lakshadweep and Arunachal Pradesh.

For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715615>

Govt. of India has so far provided more 16.54 crore vaccine doses to States/UTs Free of Cost

Government of India has so far provided nearly 16.54 crore vaccine doses (16,54,93,410) to States/UTs Free of Cost. Of this, the total consumption including wastages is 15,79,21,537 doses (as per data available at 8 am today). More than 75 lakh COVID Vaccine doses (75,71,873) are still available with the States/UTs to be administered. Furthermore, more than 59 lakh (59,70,670) vaccine doses will be received in addition by the States/UTs within the next 3 days.

For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715621>

PM authorises key decisions to boost availability of medical personnel to fight COVID-19

The Prime Minister reviewed the growing need of adequate human resources for responding to the COVID-19 pandemic in the country today. Many important decisions were taken which will significantly boost availability of medical personnel in Covid duty

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715667>

Facing once in century challenge head on, 20 Oxygen Expresses complete their journey, delivering 1125 MT (approx.) LMO in 76 tankers

Overcoming all hurdles and finding new solutions, Indian Railways is continuing its journey of bringing relief by delivering Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) to various states across the country. So far, Indian Railways has delivered 1125 MT (approx.) of LMO in 76 tankers to various states across the country. 20 Oxygen Expresses have already completed their journey and 7 more loaded Oxygen Express are on the run carrying 422 MT (approx.) of LMO in 27 tankers. It is Indian Railways endeavour to deliver as much LMO as possible in the shortest time possible to the requesting states.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715644>

Ayush Ministry takes steps to increase availability of AYUSH 64 across the country

Polyherbal drug AYUSH 64 found very useful in treating mild to moderate cases of Covid 19 in clinical trials. Repurposing of AYUSH- 64, the polyherbal Ayurvedic medicine, for treating of COVID-19 has been one of the most significant developments in this area. AYUSH- 64 was originally developed in 1980 for treatment of malaria, and it complies with all regulatory requirements and quality and pharmacopoeial standards.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715692>



Ad hoc Exemption from IGST on imports of specified COVID-19 relief material donated from abroad

Central Government has vide Ad hoc exemption Order number 4/2021 dated 3rd May, 2021 has granted exemption from IGST on import of such goods received free of cost for free distribution for covid relief. This exemption shall apply till 30th June, 2021. It would also covers goods already imported but lying uncleared on the date of its issuance of exemption i.e. today.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1715668>

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Kerala: The state government has issued orders declaring strict restrictions across the state from tomorrow in view of the surge in Covid cases. Only essential services will be allowed in the state. The restrictions will be in place till May 9. All state-central government offices, other self-governing offices, essential service departments, officials and people engaged in Covid preventive activities will not be covered under the restrictions. Transportation of medical oxygen will be ensured. The state Cabinet which met today decided to take a decision on imposing of lockdown after Sunday. Kerala recorded 31,950 Covid-19 cases yesterday, pushing the caseload to 16,38,769. The active cases touched 3,39,441. Test positivity rate was 28.37 per cent. The death toll has risen to 5,405. Meanwhile, 3353 people today took first dose of vaccine and 8983 second dose.

Tamil Nadu: TN on Saturday reported 20,768 fresh Covid cases with 153 deaths; there were 1,20,444 active cases in the state while 17,576 people were discharged from hospitals. Till date 60,46,284 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 46,79,186 received first dose and 13,67,098 received second dose. According to Chennai Corporation data, as many as 3,03,531 persons have recovered in the city, which is 89 per cent recovery rate as of Sunday morning.

Karnataka: State reported 37,733 fresh Covid cases, 217 deaths yesterday. The state's Covid tally stood at 16,01,865 whereas there are 4,21,436 active cases. As many as 11,64,398 people were discharged cumulatively including 21,149 on Sunday in the state. Bengaluru urban district accounted for 21,199 fresh cases and 64 deaths. The State government has devised an action plan by roping in final-year medical and nursing students to help the state combat the coronavirus pandemic better. As per the decision taken by CM Yediyurappa after a meeting with stakeholders of top private medical hospitals in the state, the government will use the services of final year nursing, pharmacy, physiotherapy, hospital management students, Ayush doctors, and dentists for Covid duty. Chief Minister assigned district responsibility to six ministers.

Andhra Pradesh: The State reported 23,920 new Covid-19 cases after testing 1,14,299 samples with 83 deaths while 11,411 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 66,96,306 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 51,76,374 first dose and 15,19,932



second doses. State Health Minister said that the government was taking measures to bring 120 MT of oxygen by flights from Angul in Odisha. Efforts such as procuring more cryogenic tankers, increasing oxygen storage capacity, establishing PSA (Pressure Swing Adsorption) plants are being made to strengthen the infrastructure for movement of oxygen. He further said that a Covid Care Center was being set up under every revenue division in the state. The State government has decided to postpone the Intermediate examinations scheduled to be held from May 5 to 23 in the wake of High Court's intervention due to prevailing Covid-19 situation.

Telangana: A total of 5,695 new daily cases and 49 fatalities were reported on Sunday taking the cumulative number of positive cases in the state to 4,56,485 and deaths to 2,417. Now, the fatality rate in the state is reported as 0.52 percent. The total number of Active Cases in the state now stands at 80,135. The State Government has decided to include Steroids in the Home Isolation Kits being distributed to the people tested positive and in Home Isolation.

Assam: 2,385 persons (10.01%) tested positive for COVID-19 on Sunday, while 30 persons succumbed to the virus, which is the highest single-day death toll this year so far, Health minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Sunday evening tweeted.

Manipur: 575 new cases in 48 hrs. The cumulative number of people who have been vaccinated in the state reached 2,07,765. The State Health Society has issued protocols to be maintained at COVID Vaccination Centres (CVCs) in view of the eagerness for vaccination among the public and increased Covid cases in the State.

Meghalaya: Meghalaya on Sunday registered a grim record of the highest single-day spike ever with 321 fresh COVID-19 cases, taking the total number of active cases to 1,821. Five more deaths were reported. The number of fatalities from the infection now stands at 179. The state also witnessed 154 recoveries from the infection and the total number of recoveries now stands at 15,429.

Nagaland: Nagaland registered 216 new COVID-19 cases, 3 deaths on Sunday. Active cases are 1529 and total positive cases are 14,350. The Railways placed 10 COVID-19 isolation coaches at Dimapur Railway Station. Each coach has 16 beds equipped with medical provisions.

Tripura: The State government has announced new Night Curfew timing from 6 PM to 5AM in view of the daily increase in cases. Yesterday 247 people were tested positive while on April 25 Positive case was 98.

Sikkim: The number of active cases of novel Coronavirus in Sikkim now stands at 1,808 with 489 new cases reported here in the last two days - Saturday and Sunday. Also, over the weekend, two more lives were lost to the virus. The Sikkim Health Minister took a review of the state's COVID-19 preparedness, and reassured people that government is prepared for the challenge.

Maharashtra: The strict restrictions imposed in Maharashtra are resulting in stabilising the rising number of Covid-19 patients. Mumbai which was once considered as the hotbed of the pandemic is continuously showing improvement after the implementation of restrictions. The positivity rate of the

metropolis has come down significantly during last seven days and it has reduced the burden on the health facilities of the state. Maharashtra has maintained the top position in COVID-19 vaccination in country. Yesterday, 46, 693 citizens were vaccinated in the state in 592 sessions. The state is facing shortage of COVID-19 vaccines due to which very few citizens have been inoculated in the last few days.

Gujarat: After a spate in cases for weeks, Gujarat on Sunday reported a decline in the number of fresh coronavirus infections and fatalities. A total of 12,978 new cases were recorded on the day, which is the lowest since April 22, when 13,105 cases were reported. Gujarat reported 153 Covid-related deaths in the previous 24 hours. The Gujarat government has extended interest waiver on repayment of crop loan from the cooperative sector till 30th June 2021. This was announced by the Chief Minister Vijay Rupani in view of the second wave of Covid-19 in the state.

Rajasthan: The state on Sunday witnessed a record 18,298 Covid infections and 159 deaths taking the overall cases to 6,33,951 and casualties to 4,558. The state transport department issued an order on Sunday inviting applications for tankers on rent for transportation of liquid oxygen. A six-member committee has also been constituted, which will decide on the rental fee as and when the application reaches them. The State Government has started the procedure to procure oxygen concentrators from China and Russia. The Government wants to procure 10,000 concentrators in two phases from China and 1,100 from Russia.

Madhya Pradesh: Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has directed officials to pay special attention to high-positivity districts of the state. The Chief Minister has said that with the efforts of everyone, the slogans- 'My village-Corona-free village', 'My locality-Corona-free locality' and 'My city-Corona-free city' should be made successful. 15 districts of the state including Tikamgarh, Shivpuri, Datia, Anuppur, Singrauli, Narsinghpur, Sidhi, Katni, Gwalior, Niwari, Sehore, Bhopal, Dindori, Betul and Morena have an average positivity rate of more than 25% for 7 days.

Chhattisgarh: A total of 56 lakh 22 thousand 933 vaccine doses have been administered in Chhattisgarh. Timely availability of beds for COVID patients in the hospitals of Raipur is being ensured. The situation of prevention and treatment of COVID infection is presently better than before. In Chhattisgarh, a total of 8810 people have died due to Covid so far, which is 1.18 percent. Out of 7 lakh 44 thousand 602 confirmed cases in Chhattisgarh, currently 1 lakh 21 thousand 99 are active and 6 lakh 14 thousand 693 people have recovered.

Goa: The lockdown, which came into force in the evening of April 29, will continue till 6 am on May 3, will not be extended, but strict restrictions will be enforced till 6 am on May 10. The state imposed the lockdown in an attempt to break the chain of COVID infection. With 2030 new cases, 52 deaths and 1255 recoveries active covid count of Goa at 24,607.

IMPORTANT TWEETS



✓ Ad hoc Exemption from IGST on imports of specified COVID-19 relief material donated from abroad

✓ As customs duty is already exempt, these imports will not attract any customs duty or IGST

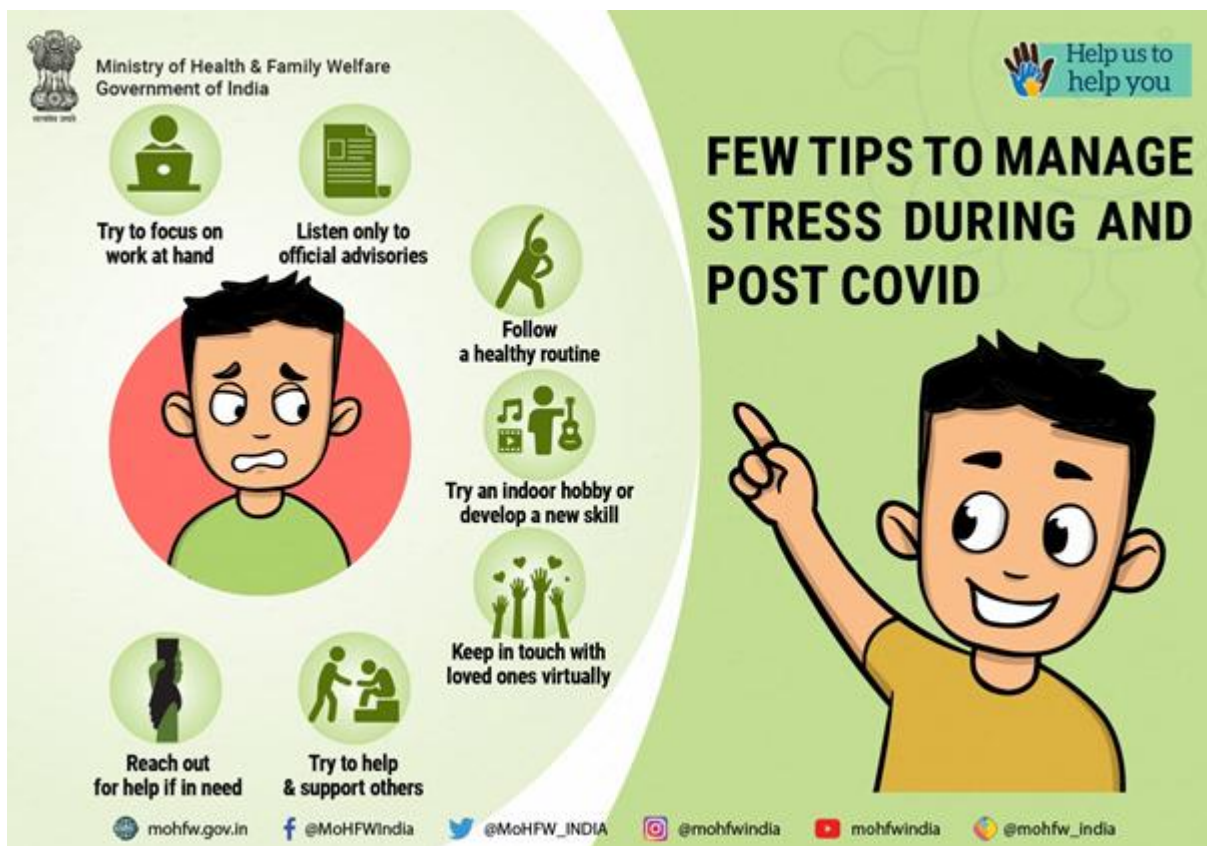
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