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# PIB'S BULLETIN ON COVID-19 (UPDATED)

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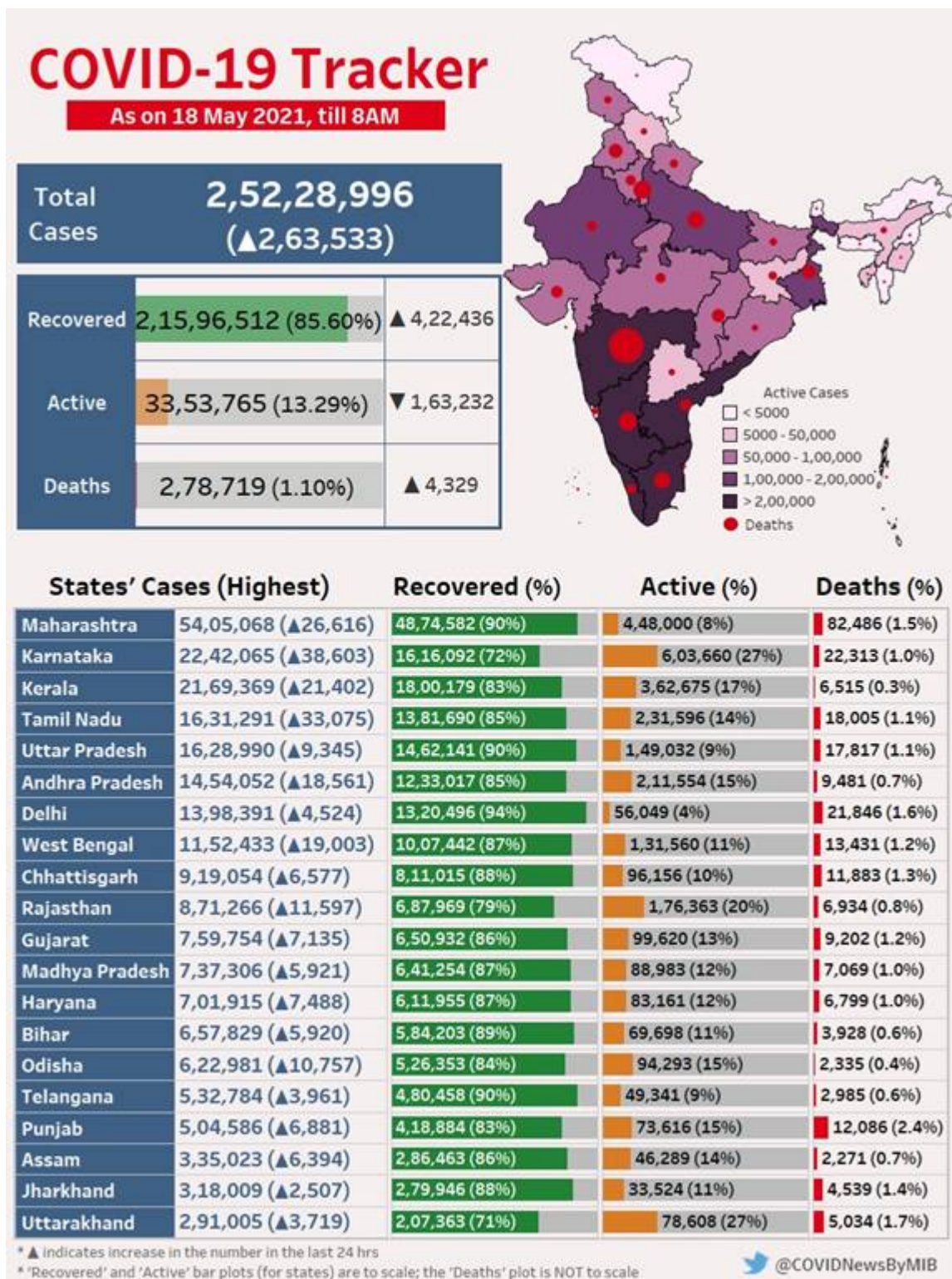
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- Decline of 1,63,232 in Active Caseload in the last 24 hours
- India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 18.44 Crore
- More than 66 lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated, so far

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719558>



**Update on COVID Relief Aid; International aid to fight COVID continues to be quickly cleared, apportioned, and sent to States and Union Territories**

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**PM Interacts with State and District Officials on the COVID-19 situation; Urges officials to share best practices for it to be used in other parts of the country**

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi through video conference interacted with field officials from States and Districts regarding their experience in handling the Covid-19 pandemic.

During the interaction, the officials thanked the Prime Minister for leading the fight against the second wave of Covid from the front. The officials shared their experiences and apprised the Prime Minister about the innovative steps that were undertaken to manage the recent surge of cases. They also informed about the efforts being undertaken to augment the medical infrastructure and capacity building in rural areas. The Prime Minister asked the officials to compile the best practices and innovative steps so that these may be used in other districts of the country.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719567>

**Steel plants regularly supplying over Four thousand MT of Liquid Medical Oxygen on daily basis - the figure went up to 4435 MT yesterday**

Steel plants, across the country, belonging to the Public as well as the Private sectors, have been regularly supplying the life-saving Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) to the country.

Along with the Petroleum sector, they have been contributing major share of the LMO requirement of the country which stands at about 10 thousand MT/day. Steel plants have ramped up LMO supplies from 538 MT per day as on 1st April 2021 to over 4 thousand MT per day. On 17<sup>th</sup> May, they supplied 4435 MT LMO, going up from 4314 MT on 16<sup>th</sup> May. This included 1485 MT from SAIL, 158MT from RINL, 1154MT from TATA, 238MT from AMNS, 1162MT from JSW, and rest from other steel plants.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719616>

**Shri Mansukh Mandaviya reviews requirement and supply of Amphotericin B - ensures availability**

Minister of State for Chemicals and Fertilizers Shri Mansukh Mandaviya today reviewed the



requirement and supply position of Amphotericin-B which cures Mucormycosis. The Government has chalked out a strategy with manufacturers to ramp up domestic production as well as to import the drug from all over the world.

The Minister has observed that the supply of Amphotericin-B has been increased many folds. But currently there is a sudden demand surge. He has assure that the Government is committed to making all possible and necessary efforts to make it available to needy patients.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719576>

### **Biggest single day load of more than 1000 MT of Oxygen relief delivered by Oxygen Expresses**

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 more than 11030 MT of LMO in more than 675 tankers to various states across the country. Oxygen Expresses had been delivering nearly 800 MT of LMO to the Nation each day for last few days.

It may be noted that Oxygen Expresses started their deliveries 23 days back on 24th April in Maharashtra with a load of 126 MT.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719590>

### **Panchayati Raj Ministry Issues Advisory for the Guidance of Panchayats to combat the COVID-19 Pandemic**

The spread of COVID-19 pandemic in different parts of the country has recently assumed serious proportions. The vulnerabilities of the rural communities need to be especially addressed. Comparatively low level of awareness amongst the rural population coupled with inadequate support systems in villages may create a constraining situation in dealing with the pandemic in an effective manner. Hence, the Panchayats/Rural Local Bodies need to be properly sensitized and facilitated towards meeting the challenge and provide leadership as they did last year and received appreciation at the highest level for various measures.

Keeping the above factors in view, the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, has on the recommendation of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR), released an amount of Rs.8,923.8 crore to 25 states for providing Grant to rural local bodies. The amount released is the first instalment of the Basic (Untied) Grants and may be utilized among other things for various prevention and mitigation measures needed to combat the Covid pandemic. The Ministry has also issued advisory for the guidance of Panchayats as regards the action for combating the COVID-19 pandemic.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719631>

### **Railways set to have 86 Oxygen plants for its hospitals**





4 Oxygen Plants are functional, 52 are sanctioned and 30 under various stages of processing. Massive Capacity Enhancement in 86 Railway Hospitals across India. The number of beds for Covid treatment have been increased from 2539 to 6972. Invasive ventilators have been added and their number has been increased from 62 to 296. General Managers have been delegated further powers, up to Rs 2 crores in each case for sanctioning Oxygen Generation plants.

For Details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719555>

### **16 States/UTs lift 100% foodgrains for May, 2021 under PMGKAY**

In view of pro-poor initiative announced by the Government of India to ameliorate the hardship faced by the poor due to economic disruption caused by Corona virus, Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) has been announced by the Government of India.

Till 17th May, 2021, all 36 States/UTs have lifted 31.80 LMT of food grains from FCI depots. Lakshadweep has lifted full allocation for May & June 2021. 15 States/UTs i.e. Andhra Pradesh, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Ladakh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, Telangana and Tripura, have lifted 100% May 2021 allocation.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719607>

### **IMPORTANT TWEETS**

#### **ELDERLINE**

Call toll free 14567 to use. [pic.twitter.com/LDCoVyqqm5](https://pic.twitter.com/LDCoVyqqm5)

— Ministry of SJ&E (@MSJEGOI) May 18, 2021

Congratulations to National Fertilisers Limited, Nangal Unit for providing 20 beds' facility of NFL Nangal Hospital to Distt Admin. Authorities for its use as #COVIDCareCentre.

O2 supply will be made available to the individual beds. This will support our fight against #COVID19. [pic.twitter.com/hXysQ79bEH](https://pic.twitter.com/hXysQ79bEH)

— Sadananda Gowda (@DVSadanandGowda) May 17, 2021



INPUTS FROM  FIELD UNITS



**Kerala:** Triple lockdown in four districts is continuing. People are cooperating in a big way without any reports of violation. Meanwhile, continuing to register a decline in new daily infections, Kerala on Monday reported 21,402 fresh COVID-19 cases and a TPR of 24.74%. So far, a total of 85,51,229 people has taken vaccine in the state. Out of this 65,37,617 took first dose and 20,13,612 second dose.

**Tamil Nadu:** The Madras High Court on Monday sought both the Tamil Nadu government and Puducherry administration to put in place some measures for children since it is feared that they may be more vulnerable to Covid-19 in the months to come. Medical oxygen production at the Sterlite Copper plant in Thoothukudi, which was hit by technical glitch, would resume in a day or two, said Industries Minister Thangam Thennarasu. Puducherry UT reported 28 deaths and added 1,446 new coronavirus cases during the last 24 hours pushing the overall tally to 85,952. Tamil Nadu on Monday reported 33,075 new Covid19 cases and 335 related fatalities. The number of active cases remains at 2,31,596 and total number of fatalities is now 18,005 in the State. Till date 69,95,480 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 50,83,368 received first dose and 19,12,112 received second dose.

**Karnataka:** The state reported 38,603 new cases of Covid-19, and 476 fatalities, taking the total number of infections to 22,42,065 and the toll to 22,313, on Monday. The day also saw 34,635 patients getting discharged after recovery. Bengaluru Urban accounted for 13,338 new cases. Cumulatively, there have been 16,16,092 recoveries in the state. A total of 67,582 were vaccinated yesterday and the cumulative total vaccination coverage stands at 1,12,60,587. The Karnataka Government has announced the treatment for Black fungus diseases will be done free of cost. After jab, health workers found to develop good antibodies: A test to measure antibodies in the blood post-vaccination among health workers has shown a majority of them have developed good immunogenic response.

**Andhra Pradesh:** State reported 18,561 new Covid-19 cases after testing 73,749 samples with 109 deaths, while 17,334 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 75,69,446 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 53,44,541 first doses and 22,24,905 second doses. A total of 75,99,960 vaccine doses were received from the Centre, of which 62,60,400 doses are of Covishield and 3,39,560 are Covaxin. The Chief Minister during a review directed the officials to bring Black Fungus cases under Aarogyasri scheme and prepare a protocol to identify it at an early stage. Meanwhile, the State Pollution Control Board has developed a mobile app for effective management and scientific disposal of biomedical waste from Covid-19 hospitals and quarantine centres generating around 38 metric tonnes of biomedical waste per day and it has been made mandatory for all institutions to use it.

**Telangana:** CM KCR reviewed the Covid situation in the state with senior officials of the concerned departments yesterday and decided to set up oxygen plants in 48 Govt hospitals with the total capacity of 324 Metric Tonnes of Medical Oxygen. The CM instructed the officials to procure immediately medicines required for treatment of black fungus or Mucormycosis. High Court asked the State Govt to restore the Grievance Committee to address the complaints against private hospitals charging exorbitant



amount for Covid treatment and also to submit its action plan on how it is going to tackle the likely third wave of Covid pandemic. Meanwhile, as many as 3,961 new Covid infections and 30 fatalities were reported yesterday taking the cumulative number of deaths in the state to 2,985 and the total number of positive cases to 5,32,784. The number of active cases in the state now stands at 49,341. The vaccination drive could not take place in the state yesterday due to shortage of vaccines.

**Assam:** Assam registered the highest single day death toll of COVID-19 on Monday when 92 people died of the virus in the state. The day also witnessed the highest number of new COVID positive cases of 6,394 in the state. The positivity rate in the State, however fell to 6.99 percent from 8.50 percent on Sunday. To curb the further spread of COVID-19, all inter district transport services and movement of people shall remain suspended for 15 days with effect from 5 am of May 21.

**Manipur:** Manipur's COVID-19 tally crossed 40000-mark with 330 new positive cases and claimed 14 more lives in the State in 24 hours. The Manipur government on Monday extended curfew till May 28 in the districts of Imphal West, Imphal East, Bishnupur, Thoubal, Kakching, Churachandpur and Ukhrul. COVID-19 vaccination for 18-44 age group also got underway in Manipur.

**Meghalaya:** Meghalaya on Monday registered 634 fresh COVID-19 cases, taking the total tally of active cases to 4,915. 16 deaths were also reported in the last 24 hours.

Principal Secretary, Health and Family Welfare, Sampath Kumar said 75% of the health workers have so far taken the jab. The department held a meeting on overcoming the hesitancy of the remaining health workers who have not been vaccinated.

**Nagaland:** Nagaland reported 273 new case of COVID-19 and seven deaths on Monday. Active cases are 4251 while tally rose to 18,349. H&FW Minister Pangnyu Phom, inaugurated state's first Pressure Swing Absorption oxygen generating plant at Naga Hospital Authority, Kohima on Monday. Nagaland began vaccination for 18-44 yrs age group. Health Minister Pangnyu Phom inaugurated the drive at the H&FW Directorate in Kohima. Vaccination for frontline workers and persons above 45 yrs also going on.

**Tripura:** In Tripura, 335 new positive cases of COVID-19 with positivity rate at 7.22%.

4 more died and 269 recovered in last 24 hours. COVID-19 curfew has started in the areas of Agartala Municipality from yesterday.

**Sikkim:** A high-level review meeting on combating Covid-19, under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Shri Prem Singh Tamang was held at Gangtok to take stock of the present situation of Covid-19 in the State, especially issues regarding the availability of oxygen, transportation and prompt assistance to the patients. After a very long gap,

Sikkim reported more recoveries than new cases. 70 new cases of novel coronavirus were reported in the last 24 hours taking the state's tally of confirmed Covid cases to 11,480.



**Maharashtra:** Maharashtra on Monday reported a further decline in new cases of coronavirus with 26,616 infections in a span of 24 hours. The caseload increased to 54,05,068 and the death toll reached 82,486 with 516 fresh fatalities. In the ongoing COVID-19 vaccination drive, Maharashtra crossed the 2 crore mark.

Meanwhile, there has been a decline in the daily caseload of COVID-19 cases. Nanded district in Marathwada tops the list as there is 81 per cent drop in new cases, followed by Mumbai at 77 per cent, Thane 71 per cent, Pune 23.47 per cent, Nashik 30.47 per cent and Nagpur with 58.54 per cent. Apart from this, there has been respite from COVID in Bhandara, Nandurbar, Latur, Raigad, Jalna, Hingoli and Gondiya districts. However, despite this silver-lining, there are 18 districts including Kolhapur, Ratnagiri, Sindhudurg, Amravati, Satara and others where there has been no respite.

**Gujarat:** The Gujarat government has announced that a partial lockdown in the state will remain for the next three days. Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani on Monday announced to maintain status quo on the existing corona curfew and other day-time restrictions effective in 36 cities of the State for three more days, up to May 20. Gujarat on Sunday reported 8,210 fresh coronavirus positive cases, taking the tally to 7,52,619. A total of 14,483 patients were discharged during the day, taking the count of recoveries so far in Gujarat to 6,38,590.

**Rajasthan:** Rajasthan recorded 157 coronavirus deaths and 11,597 cases on Monday, taking the toll to 6,394 and tally to 8.71 lakh. Jaipur reported the highest number of 39 deaths, followed by Jodhpur and Bikaner. Out of the new cases, 2,023 were reported from Jaipur, while 1,104 and 954 people tested positive in Alwar and Jodhpur respectively.

**Madhya Pradesh:** In Madhya Pradesh, the number of active COVID patients has come down to 88,983. The state reported 5,921 fresh cases and 77 deaths yesterday while 11,513 persons recovered from the infection. Both Indore and Bhopal have more than 13,000 active cases. The state government is actively making arrangements for the treatment of mucormycosis at the early stage. Madhya Pradesh government has decided to give a compensation of Rs 5 lakh and compassionate appointment to an eligible family members of those state government employees who die from corona.

**Chhattisgarh:** In Chhattisgarh, the pandemic situation is improving. The positivity rate in the state has come down to around 10 percent from 30 percent last month. More than 65 lakh people have been vaccinated against COVID-19 till now in Chhattisgarh. In the age group of 18 to 44 years, the first dose of COVID vaccine has been given to about 5 lakh people. The state government has created a separate web portal for vaccination of people of this age group, through which they can register themselves for vaccination. Along with conducting COVID tests on a large scale, medicine kits are also being made available to suspected Corona patients. So far, about 14 lakh medicine kits have been distributed to the suspected patients by the state Health Department.





**Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 504586. Number of active cases is 73616. Total Deaths reported is 12086. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 829931. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 240117. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2603790. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 434026.

**Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 701915. Total active COVID-19 patients are 83161. Number of deaths is 6799. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4953679.

**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases are 55987. Total number of Active Cases is 7382. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 641.

**Himachal Pradesh:** Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 163786. Total number of Active Cases is 36633. Total deaths reported till date is 2369.



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# HOW TO USE PULSE OXIMETER

1. **Rest for 10-15 minutes** before using the oximeter.
2. Keep your hand still on the **chest, at heart level**.
3. Place the device on **middle or index finger**.
4. Check the reading once it is **stabilized**.
5. If you feel **healthy**, check your oxygen at least **twice a day**.
6. If you have **COVID-19 symptoms** check your oxygen **every 6 hours**.
7. If your oxygen is **below 94%**, please **contact your doctor**.



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# India's **VACCINATION** drive approaches **18.4 CRORE** mark of administered doses.

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- Daily new COVID cases less than 3L after 26 days
- More than 20 crore vaccine doses provided to States/UTs Free of Cost by Govt. of India, so far
- Bleeding and clotting events following COVID vaccination miniscule in India
- In spite of upcoming cyclone, Railways run 2 Oxygen Expresses early morning today from Gujarat to deliver 150 MT of Oxygen to the Nation
- Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh unveils first batch of anti-COVID drug developed by DRDO and hands over to Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan

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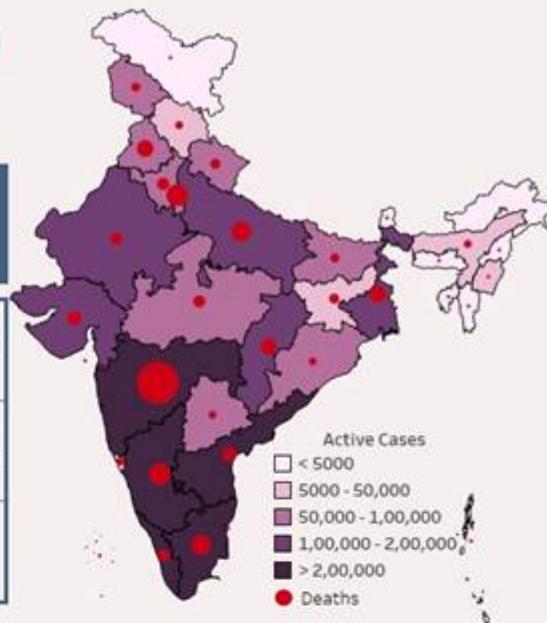




# COVID-19 Tracker

As on 17 May 2021, till 8AM

Total Cases	2,49,65,463 (▲2,81,386)
Recovered	2,11,74,076 (84.81%) ▲ 3,78,741
Active	35,16,997 (14.09%) ▼ 1,01,461
Deaths	2,74,390 (1.10%) ▲ 4,106



States' Cases (Highest)	Recovered (%)	Active (%)	Deaths (%)
Maharashtra 53,78,452 (▲34,389)	48,26,371 (90%)	4,70,595 (9%)	81,486 (1.5%)
Karnataka 22,03,462 (▲31,531)	15,81,457 (72%)	6,00,168 (27%)	21,837 (1.0%)
Kerala 21,47,967 (▲29,704)	17,00,528 (79%)	4,41,011 (21%)	6,428 (0.3%)
Uttar Pradesh 16,19,645 (▲10,505)	14,39,096 (89%)	1,63,003 (10%)	17,546 (1.1%)
Tamil Nadu 15,98,216 (▲33,181)	13,61,204 (85%)	2,19,342 (14%)	17,670 (1.1%)
Andhra Pradesh 14,35,491 (▲24,171)	12,15,683 (85%)	2,10,436 (15%)	9,372 (0.7%)
Delhi 13,93,867 (▲6,456)	13,09,578 (94%)	62,783 (5%)	21,506 (1.5%)
West Bengal 11,33,430 (▲19,117)	9,88,341 (87%)	1,31,805 (12%)	13,284 (1.2%)
Chhattisgarh 9,12,477 (▲4,888)	7,97,150 (87%)	1,03,593 (11%)	11,734 (1.3%)
Rajasthan 8,59,669 (▲10,280)	6,58,510 (77%)	1,94,382 (23%)	6,777 (0.8%)
Gujarat 7,52,619 (▲8,210)	6,38,590 (85%)	1,04,908 (14%)	9,121 (1.2%)
Madhya Pradesh 7,31,385 (▲7,106)	6,29,741 (86%)	94,652 (13%)	6,992 (1.0%)
Haryana 6,94,427 (▲9,115)	5,97,676 (86%)	90,066 (13%)	6,685 (1.0%)
Bihar 6,51,909 (▲6,894)	5,72,987 (88%)	75,090 (12%)	3,832 (0.6%)
Odisha 6,12,224 (▲11,732)	5,14,532 (84%)	95,379 (16%)	2,313 (0.4%)
Telangana 5,28,823 (▲3,816)	4,74,899 (90%)	50,969 (10%)	2,955 (0.6%)
Punjab 4,97,705 (▲6,950)	4,10,332 (82%)	75,478 (15%)	11,895 (2.4%)
Assam 3,28,629 (▲3,650)	2,81,726 (86%)	44,724 (14%)	2,179 (0.7%)
Jharkhand 3,15,502 (▲2,321)	2,74,483 (87%)	36,540 (12%)	4,479 (1.4%)
Uttarakhand 2,87,286 (▲4,047)	2,03,673 (71%)	78,802 (27%)	4,811 (1.7%)

\* ▲ 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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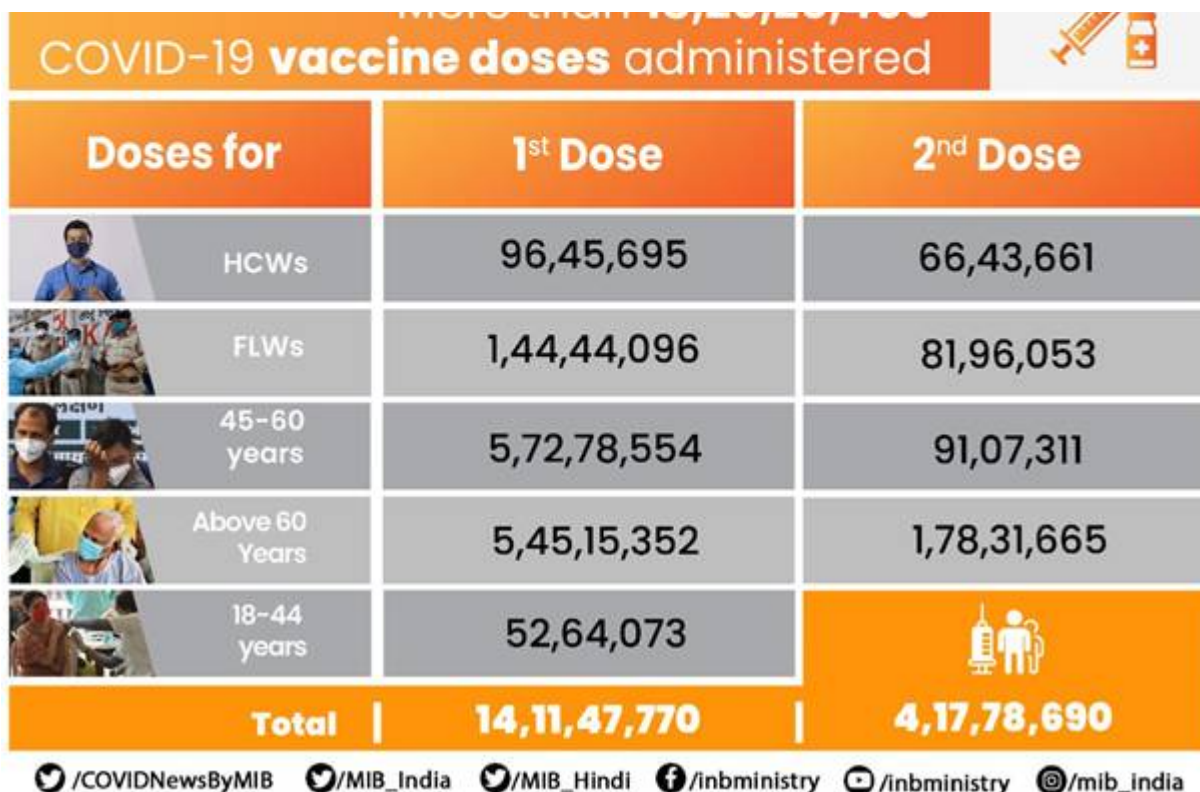
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COVID-19 Vaccination Status

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### Daily new COVID cases less than 3L after 26 days

- India's cumulative recoveries have reached **2,11,74,076** today. The National Recovery Rate is **84.81%**.
- 3,78,741** recoveries were registered in the last 24 hours.
- Also, 24-hour Recoveries have outnumbered the daily new COVID Cases for the sixth time in last 7 days and **consistently in the last 4 days**.
- The National Mortality Rate currently stands at **1.10%**
- In addition, the foreign aid of relief materials continues to be swiftly cleared, apportioned and sent to States/UTs to combat COVID-19. Cumulatively, 11,058 Oxygen Concentrators; 13,496 Oxygen Cylinders; 19 Oxygen Generation Plants; 7,365 ventilators/Bi PAP; ~5.3L Remdesivir vials delivered/ dispatched through road and air, so far.

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### Bleeding and clotting events following COVID vaccination miniscule in India

#### National AEFI (Adverse Event Following Immunization) Committee submits report to the Union Health Ministry

Bleeding and clotting cases following COVID vaccination in India are minuscule and in line with the expected number of diagnoses of these conditions in the country, a report submitted by the National AEFI (Adverse Event Following Immunization) Committee to the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare said.

Alerts have been raised in some countries on post-vaccination "embolic and thrombotic events" on 11 March 2021 particularly with AstraZeneca-Oxford vaccine [Covishield in India]. A decision was taken to conduct an urgent in-depth analysis of the adverse events (AE) in India in the light of the global

concerns.

The National AEFI committee noted that as of 03 April 2021, 75,435,381 vaccine doses had been administered (Covishield – 68,650,819; Covaxin – 6,784,562). Of these, 65,944,106 were first doses and 9,491,275 second dose. Since the COVID-19 vaccination drive was initiated – more than 23,000 adverse events were reported through the CO-WIN platform reported from 684 of the 753 districts of the country. Of these, only 700 cases (@ 9.3 cases /million doses administered) were reported to be serious and severe nature.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719293>

### **International aid to fight COVID continues to be quickly cleared, apportioned, and sent to States and Union Territories**

Government of India, at the forefront to combat the ongoing COVID-19 has been receiving international cooperation of COVID-19 relief medical supplies and equipment since 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021 from different countries/organisations. Through a streamlined and systematic mechanism, various Ministries/Departments of Government of India have seamlessly collaborated under the “Whole of Government” approach for expeditiously delivering the incoming global aid to States and UTs.

Cumulatively, 11321 Oxygen Concentrators; 15,801 Oxygen Cylinders; 19 Oxygen Generation Plants; 7,470 ventilators/Bi PAP; ~5.5 L Remdesivir vials delivered/ dispatched through road and air, from 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021 to 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

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### **Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh unveils first batch of anti-COVID drug developed by DRDO and hands over to Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan**

The first batch of the adjunct COVID therapy anti-COVID drug, 2-deoxy-D-glucose (2-DG), was released by Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh and handed over to Minister for Health & Family Welfare, Science & Tech and Earth Sciences Dr Harsh Vardhan in New Delhi on May 17, 2021. One box each of the sachets of the drug were handed over to Director, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Dr Randeep Guleria and Lt Gen Sunil Kant of Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS). More will be handed over to different hospitals across the country for emergency use. An anti-COVID-19 therapeutic application of the drug 2-deoxy-D-glucose (2-DG) has been developed by Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences

(INMAS), a lab of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), along with Dr Reddy's Laboratories (DRL), Hyderabad.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719304>

### **Dr Harsh Vardhan chairs 26th meeting of Group of Ministers (GOM) on COVID-19**

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare chaired the 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the high-level Group of Ministers (GOM) on COVID-19 here today. He was joined by Dr S. Jaishankar, Minister





of External Affairs and Shri Hardeep S. Puri, Minister of Civil Aviation, Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, Minister of State for Ports, Shipping and Waterways (I/C), & Chemical and Fertilizers, and Shri Nityanand Rai, Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs. Shri Ashwini Kumar Choubey, Minister of State, Health & Family Welfare joined the meet digitally. Dr. Vinod K Paul, Member (Health), NITI Aayog was present virtually.

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**Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh reviews efforts of MoD, Armed Forces, DRDO & other Defence organisations in fighting second COVID-19 wave**

Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh reviewed the efforts of Ministry of Defence (MoD), the three services, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and other Defence organisations in assisting the civil administration to tackle the current Covid-19 situation in the country, through a video conference on May 17, 2021. The meeting was attended by Chief of Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat, Defence Secretary Dr Ajay Kumar, Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Karambir Singh, Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal R K S Bhaduria, Chief of Army Staff General M M Naravane, Secretary Department of Defence R&D and Chairman DRDO Dr G Satheesh Reddy, Additional Secretary (Defence Production) Shri Sanjay Jaju, ADG Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) and other senior officials of MoD.

The meeting focused on special covid hospitals being set up by DRDO in different states, creation of additional hospital beds in military hospitals, supply of Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) oxygen plants under PM CARES Fund and augmentation of doctors and other health professionals to meet the current demand.

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More than 2 crore doses still available with States/UTs to be administered. Nearly 3 lakh doses in addition will be received by States/UTs in next 3 days

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**Swift actions taken by Government to enhance availability of Remdesivir in India; Production capacity of Remdesivir increased to nearly 119 lakh vials per month from 38 lakh vials per month**

Department of Pharmaceuticals intensified monitoring of availability, production and supply of drugs used for Covid-19 Treatment in early April, 2021 as number of cases of Covid-19 started increasing steeply. Remdesivir is a patented drug, manufactured in India under voluntary licenses granted by Gilead Life Sciences USA, the patent holder, to 7 Indian pharmaceutical companies (Cipla, Dr Reddy's Lab., Hetero, Jubilant Pharma, Mylan, Syngene and Zydus Cadila).

To augment the domestic production capacity, all the seven domestic licensed manufacturers of Remdesivir were asked to ramp up production quickly. With combined efforts of the central government and the manufacturing companies, the production capacity of the licensed manufacturers has increased unprecedentedly from 38 lakh vials per month to nearly 119 lakh vials per month. With accelerated approval of 38 additional manufacturing sites, the number of approved manufacturing sites of

Remdesivir in country has increased from 22 sites to 60 sites. With the help of Ministry of External Affairs, the manufacturers of Remdesivir are being facilitated for getting supplies of requisite raw materials and equipments from foreign countries.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719307>

### **Inspite of upcoming cyclone, Railways run 2 Oxygen Expresses early morning today from Gujarat to beat high winds and deliver 150 MT of Oxygen to the Nation**

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 more than 10300 MT of LMO in more than 600 tankers to various states across the country. Oxygen Expresses have been delivering nearly 800 MT of LMO to the Nation each day for last few days.

Inspite of upcoming cyclone Railways run early morning 2 Oxygen Expresses from Gujarat to beat high winds and deliver 150 MT of Oxygen to the Nation. One Oxygen Express from Vadodara left at 4 am with 2 RORO trucks & 45 MT of LMO for delivery in Delhi region. The other Oxygen Express left Hapa at 5.30 am with 6 tankers loaded with 106 MT of Oxygen Relief for deliveries for UP & Delhi region. First Oxygen Express from Bokaro to Punjab is also set to reach Phillaur at 7 PM today with two tankers with 41.07 MT OF Oxygen Relief.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719327>

### **Transporter of Oxygen Containers to Dubai by IAF**

The heavy lift transport fleet of IAF has been airlifting empty cryogenic oxygen tankers to their filling stations in India since 22 April 2021, so that they may be filled and transported to their destinations by road or rail. The same activity is now being undertaken at international destinations.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719272>

### **DST supported ventilation system to bring relief to health workers sweating in PPE suits for long hours**

Health workers may soon be relieved of sweating out long hours in heavy suffocating PPE kits to meet their busy duty schedules. A compact, economical ventilation system for PPE kits developed by a Pune based startup can prevent excessive sweating while wearing such kits.

The ventilation system when attached with the conventional PPE kits with one simple modification, keeps the health workers' well ventilated preventing not only bodily discomforts but also possible fungal diseases in the body.

**Nihaal Singh Adarsh**, an engineering Student from Mumbai along with his startup called **Watt Technovations**, developed the technology called '**Cov-Tech Ventilation System**', at **RIIDL (Research Innovation Incubation Design Laboratory)** supported by the **National Science & Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board (NSTEDB)**, **Department of Science & Technology**, Government of India, in **Sonoma Vidyavihar University**.





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### IMPORTANT TWEETS

Nagaland gets its first Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) oxygen era plant at Naga Hospital Authority, Kohima, funded by PM CARES.

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— Prakash Javadekar (@PrakashJavdekar) May 17, 2021

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Consignment of 159 oxygen concentrator and other medical supplies arrives from US AID for Red Cross

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Installation of the High Flow Oxygen Plant provided by @DRDO\_India has been completed in @SJHDELHI hospital, New Delhi. It has started producing Oxygen for the hospitalised COVID patients.#Unite2FightCorona #StaySafe  
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### INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

**Maharashtra:** Maharashtra, on Sunday, reported 974 deaths due to COVID-19, taking the toll to 81,486 while the number of fresh cases at 34,389 remained below 40,000 for the third consecutive day. Currently, there are 4,68,109 active cases in the state. Mumbai city reported 1,535 new cases and 60 deaths. Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray on Sunday addressed more than 17,000 medical practitioners from different parts of the state. Apart from the chief minister, members of the state's COVID-19 taskforce also gave their guidance to the family physicians and medical practitioners who participated in the online conference.



**Gujarat:** Gujarat state government suspended the Covid-19 vaccination drive across the state for two days because of cyclone Tauktae. Gujarat on Sunday reported 8,210 fresh coronavirus positive cases, taking the tally to 7,52,619 while 82 fatalities, including 13 deaths in Ahmedabad, pushed the toll to 9,121. Gujarat is now left with 1,04,908 active cases.

**Rajasthan:** In Rajasthan, about two and half times people recovered from COVID 19 infection as compared to new infections reported in the state in the last 24 hours. The number of daily cases of Covid 19 has fallen for 9 days in a row in the state. The positivity rate has also come down to 15 percent in the last 24 hours. Rapid Antigen Tests facility is being introduced for early detection of infection in rural areas. Rajasthan government has decided to recruit 1,000 Medical Officers and 25,000 para medical staff on urgent contract basis to deal with the Covid pandemic.

**Madhya Pradesh:** Corona curfew imposed in Bhopal since April has been extended till May 24. Movement of vehicles related to essential services will be allowed. People engaged in vaccination drive or going for vaccination and other medical emergencies will be allowed. Meanwhile, Madhya Pradesh has reported a significant decline in the number of new corona cases. The state reported 7,106 fresh cases and 79 deaths yesterday while 12,345 persons recovered from infection. The recovery rate in the state is 86.10 percent. The number of active patients in the state is 94,652. The state's positivity rate declined to 10.6%.

**Chhattisgarh:** Chhattisgarh on Sunday reported 4,888 new COVID-19 cases, down from 7,664 cases recorded a day before, taking the state's infection count to 9,12,477. This is after 44 days that the single-day case count of the state has gone below the 5,000-mark. The COVID-19 positivity rate in the state has declined to 9 per cent which was 26.1 per cent on May 1. A virtual school is being set up so that children's education is not affected due to Corona crisis. This virtual school will operate under the Chhattisgarh State Open School. The portal of this virtual school is being developed by the NIC. The process of admission to this virtual school will start soon.

**Goa:** A total of 3,793 COVID-19 patients recovered in Goa on Sunday against the detection of 1,314 fresh infections, while 43 patients lost their life.

The overall caseload in Goa has reached 1,35,856, while the fatality count stands at 2,099. The number of recoveries so far rose to 1,05,505, leaving the state with 28,252 active cases.

**Kerala:** Covid vaccination began in the state today for those above 18 years of age. People with serious illnesses, including heart disease, are preferred in the first stage. Vaccine is given only to those who are selected after reviewing the medical records at the district level. So far, 1,90,745 people in the priority category have registered. After district level inspections by the health department, only 1421 people were allowed to be vaccinated. Meanwhile, the triple lockdown enforced to curb the spread of Covid-19 came into force in four districts having high case load. It has been imposed in Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam, Thrissur and Malappuram districts. Strict restrictions have been imposed for movement and opening of essential shops. District borders have been closed. Altogether, 29,704 fresh cases were reported yesterday with TPR at 25.61%. So far, a total of 84,90,005 people have been vaccinated in the state. Out of this, 64,86,511 took first dose and 20,03,494 second dose.



**Tamil Nadu:** TN brings in Oxygen from Amsterdam: the state has received four cryogenic containers of oxygen with a capacity of 20 tonnes each from Amsterdam. State has received its third Oxygen Express from Jharkhand taking the total capacity of medical oxygen delivered to the southern State to 151.4 tonne, Southern Railway said on Sunday. Vedanta Ltd owned Sterlite Copper plant has roped in experts from ISRO to help rectify the technical glitch developed in the cold box of its oxygen plant, leading to a suspension in production of the medical oxygen. TN government forms all-party panel to suggest measures to tackle pandemic. Meanwhile Puducherry UT recorded 32 deaths in the last 24 hours, the highest single-day toll yet, as the toll mounted to 1,151 on Sunday even as 1,961 new cases were detected from 9,446 tests. 33,181 Covid cases and 311 deaths were reported on Sunday in TN. The total death toll in the State stands at 17,670. There are 2,19,342 active cases in the State now of which Chennai accounts for 47,330 of those. Till date 69,41,944 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 50,43,505 received first dose and 18,98,439 received second dose.

**Karnataka:** For the first time since mid-March, when the second wave started raging in the state, the number of active cases have shown a decline, even as Karnataka recorded its highest number of daily discharges that was almost 5,000 more than the fresh Covid cases reported on Sunday. As per the State Government bulletin released for 16-05-2021, New Cases Reported: 31,531; Total Active Cases: 6,00,147; New Covid Deaths: 403; Total Covid Deaths: 21,837. Around 17,462 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 1,11,88,143 have been vaccinated in the state till now. The State Government has decided to form Decentralised Triage Centres (DTCs) in urban areas to effectively manage the existing cases. 4.25 lakh vials of Remdisivir have been distributed to the state, Union Minister Sadananda Gowda said.

**Andhra Pradesh:** State reported 24,171 new Covid-19 cases after testing 94,550 samples with 101 deaths, while 21,101 got discharged during the last 24 hours. Total cases: 14,35,491; Active cases: 2,10,436; Discharges: 12,15,683; Deaths: 9372. A total of 75,13,031 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 53,37,775 first doses and 21,75,256 second doses. The second Oxygen Express with 76.39 MT of LMO arrived at Guntur, with four filled in container tankers on Sunday. The State government has decided to extend the curfew till May end. A decision to this effect was taken at a meeting chaired by Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy today. The State government has also issued an order sanctioning an amount of Rs. 15,000 towards funeral charges for those who die of coronavirus.

**Telangana:** State Health Department has postponed the vaccination drive in the state to administer the second dose for 45 Plus due to non-availability of vaccines. Sixth Oxygen Express with six container tankers filled with 120 tonnes of Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) from Odisha reached Hyderabad yesterday. As many as 60,000 doses of the second batch of Russia's Covid-19 vaccine Sputnik-V arrived in Hyderabad yesterday. Meanwhile, 3,816 new daily cases and 27 deaths were reported yesterday taking the total number of positive cases in the state to 5,28,823 and fatalities to 2,955. The number of active cases in the state stands at 50,969.



**Assam:** The government of Assam is planning to ban inter-district movement of people for a period of 15 days with effect from next Friday to break the chain of COVID-19 transmission, but so far no decision has been taken to impose a full lockdown in the state, said CM Himanta Biswa Sarma. 56 people lost their lives due to COVID-19 infection in the state on Sunday. The state recorded 3,650 new cases in 42,884 test done, the positivity rate being 8.51 percent. Kamrup Metro recorded 1,197 positive cases. The Union Health Ministry has expressed concern following the fact that 25 districts in Assam and 13 districts in Arunachal Pradesh account for more than 10 percent positivity rate in COVID cases. Worried over the high rate of death of COVID patients at night in Medical colleges and other hospitals, CM Himanta Biswa Sarma has said that senior doctors should also attend duty at night. He also favoured the installation of CCTV cameras in each hospital ward where COVID-19 patients are under treatment.

**Manipur:** 677 single day cases, 16 fatalities in last 24 hrs. Chief Minister N Biren Singh has announced that 10 KL tanks of cryogenic Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) will be installed at JNIMS Hospital. To tackle the growing need of medical oxygen in the State as a result of the pandemic's second onslaught, Tribal Affairs and Hills Department will soon be placing orders for oxygen plants that will be installed in six hill districts: TA & Hills minister Vungzagin Valte. The State is all set to begin vaccination of people in the 18-44 age group. The vaccination for the 18-44 years will take place at 16 centres.

**Meghalaya:** The Meghalaya government on Sunday said the COVID-19 active cases in the state are likely to reach 10,000 by the end of May.

"Going by the present trend, the number of active cases would not be less than 8,000 to 10,000 by the end of this month," Health and Family Welfare Principal Secretary, Sampath Kumar said. Meghalaya on Sunday recorded 569 fresh COVID-19 cases, taking the active tally to 4,534. The state also continued to record a high number of fatalities as 19 deaths were reported in the last 24 hours taking the tally to 320..

**Sikkim:** Army offers to help Sikkim in fight against pandemic: General Commanding Officer, Black Cat Division Major General Rohit Sawhney called on Chief Minister of Sikkim Prem Singh Tamang at his official residence. During the call on, they discussed the current Covid situation in the state and proposed a collective approach to fight the pandemic. The armed forces offered the assistance of a 40-bed isolation centre for mild cases, repair of civil medical equipment including ambulances and assisting civil authorities for vaccination in high altitude areas in East District. Vaccination for 18+ age group starts in Sikkim. 340 new Covid cases 2 deaths, 252 recoveries in Sikkim.

**Tripura:** 761 positive cases which is highest to be recorded ever since last year was recorded along with 10 deaths in last 24 hours. West Tripura against tops in the total number of death and positive cases. Meanwhile state government announced Corona Curfew from May 17 to 26. While 6 Urban Local Bodies and one village in the state has been declared as Containment Zone.

**Nagaland:** Thirteen more deaths take Nagaland's fatality count to 209 including 11 with co-morbid conditions. 241 fresh cases reported on Sunday. Active cases are 4,100 and tally is 18,076. A total of 2,39,817 doses of Covid vaccine have been inoculated in Nagaland so far. Of them, 1,86,050 are first dose inoculations while 53,767 are second doses. Another consignment of 39,000 doses of Covishield arrives in state on May 15. State also to receive 2000 numbers of two types of oxygen cylinders within



10-15 days.

Centre makes substantial increase in Remdesivir allocation. Nagaland, Meghalaya & Tripura to get 5000 vials each, Arunachal & Mizoram 4000 each, Manipur 6000 vials and Assam 60,000 vials.

**Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 497705. Number of active cases is 75478. Total Deaths reported is 11895. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 828472. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 239834. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2601054. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 432892.

**Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 694427. Total active COVID-19 patients are 90066. Number of deaths is 6685. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4896395.

**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases are 55367. Total number of Active Cases is 7644. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 635.

**Himachal Pradesh:** Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 160240. Total number of Active Cases is 36909. Total deaths reported till date is 2311.

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# PIB'S BULLETIN ON COVID-19

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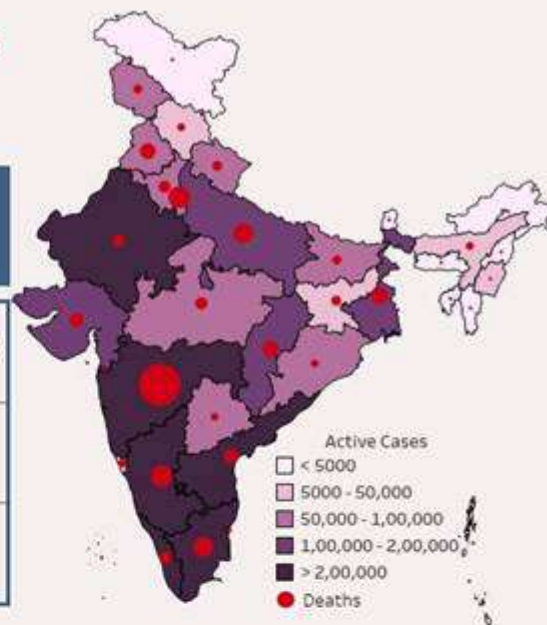


# COVID-19 Tracker

As on 16 May 2021, till 8AM

**Total Cases** **2,46,84,077**  
(▲3,11,170)

Recovered	2,07,95,335 (84.25%)	▲ 3,62,437
Active	36,18,458 (14.66%)	▼ 55,344
Deaths	2,70,284 (1.09%)	▲ 4,077



States' Cases (Highest)	Recovered (%)	Active (%)	Deaths (%)	
Maharashtra	53,44,063 (▲34,848)	<div><div>47,67,053 (89%)</div></div>	<div><div>4,96,498 (9%)</div></div>	<div><div>80,512 (1.5%)</div></div>
Karnataka	21,71,931 (▲41,664)	<div><div>15,44,982 (71%)</div></div>	<div><div>6,05,515 (28%)</div></div>	<div><div>21,434 (1.0%)</div></div>
Kerala	21,18,263 (▲32,680)	<div><div>16,66,232 (79%)</div></div>	<div><div>4,45,692 (21%)</div></div>	<div><div>6,339 (0.3%)</div></div>
Uttar Pradesh	16,09,140 (▲12,513)	<div><div>14,14,259 (88%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,77,643 (11%)</div></div>	<div><div>17,238 (1.1%)</div></div>
Tamil Nadu	15,65,035 (▲33,658)	<div><div>13,39,887 (86%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,07,789 (13%)</div></div>	<div><div>17,359 (1.1%)</div></div>
Andhra Pradesh	14,11,320 (▲22,517)	<div><div>11,94,582 (85%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,07,467 (15%)</div></div>	<div><div>9,271 (0.7%)</div></div>
Delhi	13,87,411 (▲6,430)	<div><div>12,99,872 (94%)</div></div>	<div><div>66,295 (5%)</div></div>	<div><div>21,244 (1.5%)</div></div>
West Bengal	11,14,313 (▲19,511)	<div><div>9,69,228 (87%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,31,948 (12%)</div></div>	<div><div>13,137 (1.2%)</div></div>
Chhattisgarh	9,07,589 (▲7,664)	<div><div>7,85,598 (87%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,10,401 (12%)</div></div>	<div><div>11,590 (1.3%)</div></div>
Rajasthan	8,49,389 (▲13,575)	<div><div>6,34,070 (75%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,08,698 (25%)</div></div>	<div><div>6,621 (0.8%)</div></div>
Gujarat	7,44,409 (▲9,061)	<div><div>6,24,107 (84%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,11,263 (15%)</div></div>	<div><div>9,039 (1.2%)</div></div>
Madhya Pradesh	7,24,279 (▲7,571)	<div><div>6,17,396 (85%)</div></div>	<div><div>99,970 (14%)</div></div>	<div><div>6,913 (1.0%)</div></div>
Haryana	6,85,312 (▲9,676)	<div><div>5,82,820 (85%)</div></div>	<div><div>95,946 (14%)</div></div>	<div><div>6,546 (1.0%)</div></div>
Bihar	6,45,015 (▲7,336)	<div><div>5,58,785 (87%)</div></div>	<div><div>82,487 (13%)</div></div>	<div><div>3,743 (0.6%)</div></div>
Odisha	6,00,492 (▲11,805)	<div><div>5,02,455 (84%)</div></div>	<div><div>95,743 (16%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,294 (0.4%)</div></div>
Telangana	5,25,007 (▲4,298)	<div><div>4,69,007 (89%)</div></div>	<div><div>53,072 (10%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,928 (0.6%)</div></div>
Punjab	4,90,755 (▲6,771)	<div><div>4,01,273 (82%)</div></div>	<div><div>77,789 (16%)</div></div>	<div><div>11,693 (2.4%)</div></div>
Assam	3,24,979 (▲5,347)	<div><div>2,77,501 (85%)</div></div>	<div><div>45,355 (14%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,123 (0.7%)</div></div>
Jharkhand	3,13,181 (▲3,157)	<div><div>2,67,364 (85%)</div></div>	<div><div>41,386 (13%)</div></div>	<div><div>4,431 (1.4%)</div></div>
Uttarakhand	2,83,239 (▲5,654)	<div><div>1,98,616 (70%)</div></div>	<div><div>80,000 (28%)</div></div>	<div><div>4,623 (1.6%)</div></div>

\* ▲ 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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### 24-hour Recoveries Outnumber Daily New COVID Cases for Fifth Time in last 6 Days

- Decline of 55,344 in Active Caseload in the last 24 hours
- India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 18.22 Crore
- More than 48 lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated, so far

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719011>

### Global Aid to Strengthen India's efforts against COVID continues to be swiftly cleared and sent to States/UTs in a timely manner

Major consignments received on 14/15th May 2021 from Kazakhstan, Japan, Switzerland, Ontario (Canada), USA, Egypt and British Oxygen Co. (UK) include:

- Oxygen Concentrators: 100
- Ventilators/BiPAP/CPAP: 500





- Oxygen Cylinder: 300
- Remdesivir: 40,000
- Masks & Protective Suits <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719105>

For Details :

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More than 1.84 crore doses still available with States/UTs to be administered. Nearly 51 lakh doses in addition will be received by States/UTs in next 3 days

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719019>

**CoWIN digital Portal Reconfigured to Reflect Change in Dose Interval of Covishield Vaccine to 12-16 weeks**

**Already Booked Online appointments for 2nd Covishield Dose will remain Valid; NOT being cancelled by COWIN**

The COVID Working Group chaired by Dr N K Arora had recommended extension of the gap between the first and second doses of COVISHIELD vaccine to 12-16 weeks. This has been accepted by Government of India on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

Government of India has communicated this change to States and UTs. The CoWIN digital portal has also been reconfigured to reflect this extension of interval for two doses of Covishield to 12-16 weeks.

However, there have been reports in a section of the media suggesting that people who had pre-booked their appointment for the second dose in less than 84 days on CoWIN are being turned back from vaccination centres without getting the second dose of Covishield.

It is clarified that the requisite changes have now been done in the CoWIN digital portal. As a result, further online or on-site appointments will not be possible if the period after 1st dose date for a beneficiary is less than 84 days.

Additionally, already booked online appointments for 2nd dose of Covishield will remain valid and **are not being cancelled by COWIN**. Further, the beneficiaries are advised to reschedule their appointments for a later date beyond the 84th day from the date of 1st dose vaccination.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleaseDetail.aspx?PRID=1719143>

**Allocation of Remdesivir made upto 23rd May 2021 to ensure its adequate availability across the country- Shri D.V Sadananda Gowda**

In a letter written to all States by Department of Pharmaceuticals and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, it was mentioned that in continuation of the allocation plan of Remdesivir drug for the period 21st April to 16th May, 2021 communicated by D.O of even number issued on 7th May 2021, an updated allocation plan valid for period of 21st April to 23rd May, 2021 is prepared jointly by Department of Pharmaceuticals and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.



For Details : <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719032>

### **Indian Navy Team Repairs Two Major Oxygen Plants in Andhra Pradesh**

Teams from Naval Dockyard Visakhapatnam achieved a major breakthrough in repairing two major Oxygen Plants at Nellore and Shri Kalahasthi bringing a major boost to the Oxygen Supply in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the ongoing Oxygen crisis. Based on a request from the State Administration, Eastern Naval Command airlifted the teams of specialists from Naval Dockyard by naval Dornier Aircraft from Visakhapatnam. The teams successfully repaired the Oxygen plants this morning by overhauling the compressors and replaced certain adapters and accessories which were manufactured within Naval Dockyard.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719030>

### **Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and the Chief Minister of Haryana dedicate 500-bedded COVID care centre in Panipat**

This hospital has been constructed by Haryana Government with the support of Indian Oil. Indian Oil Corporation Limited will be supplying gaseous oxygen for the same. The temporary COVID Hospital near the refinery in Panipat has been named Guru Tegh Bahadur Sanjivani COVID Hospital.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1719070>

### **States/UTs asked to keep Fair Price Shops open for longer duration and preferably all days of week to ensure safe and timely distribution of NFSA/PM-GKAY III food grains**

In view of ongoing lock-down in some States/UTs, that may curtail the functioning hours of Fair Price Shop (FPSs), an advisory has been issued on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 by Department of Food and Public Distribution to all States/UTs to **keep the Fair Price Shops open preferably on all days of the month and distribute PMGKAY III and NFSA foodgrains to beneficiaries in a staggered manner throughout the day** to allow for proper social distancing/ adherence to COVID-19 protocols at Fair Price Shops. To facilitate this, States/UTs have been requested to **ensure that Fair Price Shops are exempted from the restricted hours of opening of regular market.**

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetail.aspx?PRID=1719043>

### **Oxygen Expresses deliver more than 9440 MT of Liquid Medical Oxygen to the Nation**

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 more than 9440 MT of LMO in nearly 590 tankers to various states across the country. It may be noted that nearly 150 Oxygen Expresses have completed their journey so far and brought relief to various States.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetail.aspx?PRID=1719157>

### **Centre directs States to prevent dumping of dead bodies in Ganga and focus on their safe disposal and providing support for ensuring dignified cremation.**





The country is facing an extraordinary situation wherein a number of COVID-19 cases and consequential deaths have been on the rise in many States and UTs in the recent past. Dumping of dead bodies/ partially burnt or decomposed corpses in the river Ganga and its tributaries have recently been reported. This is most undesirable and alarming.

Secretary, Ministry of Jal Shakti Shri Pankaj Kumar, on 15<sup>th</sup> May, reviewed the position and action taken in the states of UP and Bihar wherein States appraised the latest position and further action points were decided. The Secretary highlighted the instructions already given and wanted expeditious action and also underscored the need to give equal attention to such incidents in urban as well as rural areas along Ganga and other rivers. Stopping of dumping of dead bodies as well as their safe disposal and protection of water quality has to be attended to on war footing. He said that after knowing the progress from states, CWC, CPCB and State Pollution Control Boards would also be giving their feedback and action plans.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleaseDetail.aspx?PRID=1719134>

### **INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD UNITS**

**Maharashtra:** Looking at the rising cases of mucormycosis in Maharashtra, state health minister Rajesh Tope directed authorities to create a separate ward in government and private medical college hospitals to treat such patients. Tope, also said that independent team of experts and 22 nurses should be formed to treat these patients. Maharashtra on Saturday, reported its lowest daily Covid detections in 46 days. However, the state reported 960 deaths on Saturday, the second highest fatalities reported so far, taking its total toll to 80,512. The state recorded 34,848 new COVID-19 cases and 960 deaths in the last 24 hours.

**Gujarat:** To ramp up production of Covaxin, the Gujarat government, along with Hester Biosciences and OmniBRx, has firmed up its discussions with Bharat Biotech to produce 20 million doses per month, the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) said on Saturday. The COVID-19 tally of Gujarat reached 7,44,409 after 9,061 cases were detected on Saturday, while the number of people who were discharged during the day stood at 15,076. The number of deaths from the infection on Saturday was 95, the first time the daily fatality count had fallen below the 100-mark since April 17.

**Rajasthan:** The state government has decided to provide a free Covid-19 kit to all the residents of the state. Medicines like Azithromycin, paracetamol, levocetirizine, zinc sulphate, and ascorbic acid will be included in this kit. Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot in a tweet said "Conducting door-to-door surveys and effectively distributing drug kits will allow timely examination of patients and will make it easier to save lives by obtaining medicines and necessary treatment at the primary level," In Rajasthan however, the seven-day rolling average of daily cases has dropped by nearly 50,000, from 3.91 lakh on May 8 to 3.54 lakh on Saturday.

**Madhya Pradesh:** Madhya Pradesh government has decided to create special wards in five medical colleges of Bhopal, Jabalpur, Gwalior, Indore and Rewa for the treatment of black fungus. Madhya Pradesh government has extended ban on the movement of passenger buses to and from Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan till May 23 to contain the spread Coronavirus infection. Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan discussed the Control of Covid infection and black fungus situation



with the leader of Opposition Mr. Kamal Nath. Active cases reduced to below one lakh again in Madhya Pradesh on Saturday showing sign of improvement in corona cases. The state reported 99,970 active cases.

**Chhattisgarh:** In Chhattisgarh, lockdown has been extended in many districts including capital Raipur till 31st of May to break the chain of Covid infection. However, in the fifth phase of the lockdown many commercial activities have been allowed to be conducted. Super markets, vegetable markets, mall, showrooms, swimming pools, clubs, cinema halls, salon, beauty parlors, gyms and other public places will remain closed during the lockdown in these districts. In the fifth phase of the lockdown, along with public service centers, all types of single shops including grocery, fruit, vegetable, hardware, electrical and milk products will be allowed to open till five o'clock in the evening. Customers and shopkeepers have to follow the Covid Protocol. There will be complete lockdown on every Sunday in all districts of the state.

**Goa:** Goa government announced that it will take over the admission control of 21 private hospitals, which are providing COVID-19 treatment in the state, from May 17 onwards. State government will pay for the treatment at these hospitals and added that a government officer will be stationed at each of these private hospitals. The government officers will ensure that 50 per cent of the beds are reserved for COVID patients. The state government on Saturday installed a Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) storage tank having a capacity of 20,000 litres at Goa Medical College and Hospital, Bambolim.

**Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 490755. Number of active cases is 77789. Total Deaths reported is 11693. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 827323. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 239690. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2596641. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 431745.

**Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 685312. Total active COVID-19 patients are 95946. Number of deaths is 6546. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4852508.

**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases are 54703. Total number of Active Cases is 7847. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 625.

**Himachal Pradesh:** Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 157862. Total number of Active Cases is 39575. Total deaths reported till date is 2241.

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# PIB'S BULLETIN ON COVID-19

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- India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 18 Crore
- PM chairs a high-level meeting on Covid and vaccination related situation
- AIIMS doctors provide guidance on Medication and Care for Mild COVID-19 Patients
- Government Supports Augmentation of Manufacturing Capacity for COVAXIN production under Mission COVID Suraksha
- Oxygen Expresses deliver more than 8700 MT of Liquid Medical Oxygen to the Nation

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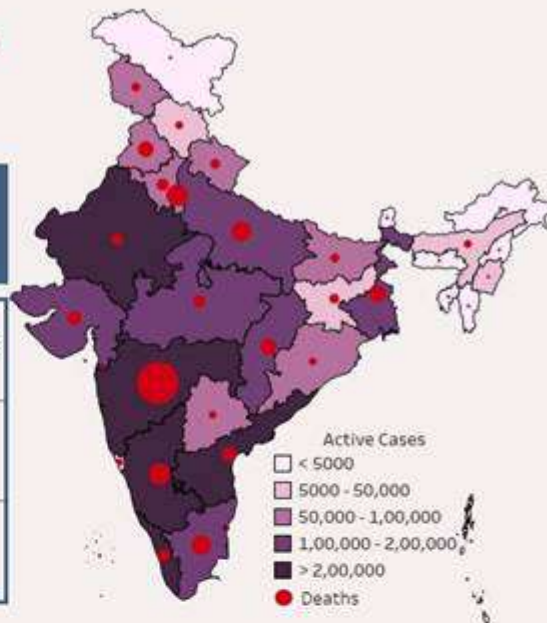




# COVID-19 Tracker

As on 15 May 2021, till 8AM

Total Cases	2,43,72,907 (▲3,26,098)
Recovered	2,04,32,898 (83.83%) ▲ 3,53,299
Active	36,73,802 (15.07%) ▼ 31,091
Deaths	2,66,207 (1.09%) ▲ 3,890



States' Cases (Highest)	Recovered (%)	Active (%)	Deaths (%)
Maharashtra 53,09,215 (▲39,923)	47,07,980 (89%)	5,21,683 (10%)	79,552 (1.5%)
Karnataka 21,30,267 (▲41,779)	15,10,557 (71%)	5,98,625 (28%)	21,085 (1.0%)
Kerala 20,85,583 (▲34,694)	16,36,790 (78%)	4,42,550 (21%)	6,243 (0.3%)
Uttar Pradesh 15,96,627 (▲15,647)	13,85,855 (87%)	1,93,815 (12%)	16,957 (1.1%)
Tamil Nadu 15,31,377 (▲31,892)	13,18,982 (86%)	1,95,339 (13%)	17,056 (1.1%)
Andhra Pradesh 13,88,803 (▲22,018)	11,75,843 (85%)	2,03,787 (15%)	9,173 (0.7%)
Delhi 13,80,981 (▲8,506)	12,88,280 (93%)	71,794 (5%)	20,907 (1.5%)
West Bengal 10,94,802 (▲20,846)	9,50,017 (87%)	1,31,792 (12%)	12,993 (1.2%)
Chhattisgarh 8,99,925 (▲7,594)	7,72,500 (86%)	1,15,964 (13%)	11,461 (1.3%)
Rajasthan 8,35,814 (▲14,289)	6,16,589 (74%)	2,12,753 (25%)	6,472 (0.8%)
Gujarat 7,35,348 (▲9,995)	6,09,031 (83%)	1,17,373 (16%)	8,944 (1.2%)
Madhya Pradesh 7,16,708 (▲8,087)	6,05,423 (84%)	1,04,444 (15%)	6,841 (1.0%)
Haryana 6,75,636 (▲10,608)	5,70,227 (84%)	99,007 (15%)	6,402 (0.9%)
Bihar 6,37,679 (▲7,494)	5,44,445 (85%)	89,564 (14%)	3,670 (0.6%)
Odisha 5,88,687 (▲12,390)	4,91,674 (84%)	94,740 (16%)	2,273 (0.4%)
Telangana 5,20,709 (▲4,305)	4,62,981 (89%)	54,832 (11%)	2,896 (0.6%)
Punjab 4,83,984 (▲8,035)	3,93,148 (81%)	79,359 (16%)	11,477 (2.4%)
Assam 3,19,632 (▲4,078)	2,74,247 (86%)	43,325 (14%)	2,060 (0.6%)
Jharkhand 3,10,024 (▲3,776)	2,60,602 (84%)	45,056 (15%)	4,366 (1.4%)
Uttarakhand 2,77,585 (▲5,775)	1,93,780 (70%)	79,379 (29%)	4,426 (1.6%)

\* ▲ 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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## India's **Cumulative Vaccination Coverage:** More than **18 Crore** doses administered









More than **42 lakh** beneficiaries of age group **18-44 years** vaccinated in Phase-3 of the world's **#LargestVaccinationDrive**

(As on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2021, 07:00 am)

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### India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 18 Crore

- More than 42 lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated, so far
- 24-hour Recoveries Outnumber Daily New COVID Cases for Fourth Time in last Five Days
- Decline of 31,091 in Active Caseload in the last 24 hours
- Foreign Aid of Relief Materials to combat COVID19 continues to be swiftly cleared, apportioned and sent to States/UTs

For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718764>

### AIIMS doctors provide guidance on Medication and Care for Mild COVID-19 Patients

The commonly observed symptoms among COVID-19 patients are fever, dry cough, tiredness and loss of taste or smell. Irritation in throat, headache, body ache, diarrhea, rash on skin and redness in eyes are also observed in rare cases. If you observe any of these symptoms, you should immediately isolate



yourself from others. This was informed by Dr. Neeraj Nishchal of AIIMS Delhi, during a webinar on “Medication and Care in Home Isolation”, for patients who are tested positive for COVID-19. The webinar was organized by The Centre of Excellence of the Union Health and Family Welfare Ministry.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718783>

### **The Inflow of Foreign Aid to combat COVID continues to be swiftly cleared, apportioned and sent to States/UTs**

Nearly 11,000 Oxygen Concentrators; more than 13,000 Oxygen Cylinders; 19 Oxygen Generation Plants; more than 6,800 ventilators/Bi PAP; ~4.9 L Remdesivir vials delivered/ dispatched so far

For Details : <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718792>

### **PM chairs a high-level meeting on Covid and vaccination related situation**

- Testing has gone up from around 50 lakh tests per week in early March to around 1.3 crore tests per week now
- Localised containment strategies are the need of the hour: PM
- PM instructed that testing needs to be scaled up further in areas with high test positivity rates
- PM asks for augmentation of healthcare resources in rural areas to focus on door to door testing & surveillance.
- Empower ASHA & Anganwadi workers with all necessary tools to boost fight in rural areas: PM
- Important to ensure proper distribution of oxygen supply in rural areas: PM
- Necessary training should be provided to health workers in the operation of ventilators & other equipment: PM

For Details : <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718787>

### **Relaxations provided under Gas Cylinders Rules, 2016,so as to fast track approvals for imported cylinders and pressure vessels for storage and transportation of medical oxygen**

Government of India has reviewed the existing procedure for approval of global manufacturers for importing oxygen cylinders by Petroleum and Explosive Safety Organization (PESO). In view of the COVID pandemic, PESO shall not carry out physical inspection of global manufacturers' production facilities before grant of such approval. Now, such approvals shall be granted online without any delay on submission of manufacturer's particulars; ISO certificate of manufacturer; List of Cylinders their specifications, drawings & batch number; Hydro test certificate and Third-Party inspection Certificate.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718815>

### **Oxygen Expresses deliver more than 8700 MT of Liquid Medical Oxygen to the Nation**



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 more than 8700 MT of LMO in more than 540 tankers to various states across the country.

It may be noted that 139 Oxygen Expresses have completed their journey so far and brought relief to various States. Till the time of this release, 6 loaded Oxygen Expresses on run with more than 475 MT of LMO in 35 tankers. Oxygen Expresses have been delivering nearly 800 MT of LMO to the Nation each day for last few days.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718834>

### **DST supported startup develops affordable test kits for early diagnosis of Covid-19 in rural & resource constraint areas**

A Mumbai-based startup is ready with its affordable **Rapid Antigen Test** that offers **COVID 19 diagnosis & surveillance** at the cost of Rs 100 per test. The test developed by **Patanjali Pharma** will complement the gold standard RTPCR & Rapid antigen tests and make it one of the most affordable ones available in the market

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718810>

### **Government Supports Augmentation of Manufacturing Capacity for COVAXIN production under Mission COVID Suraksha**

To augment the capacity of Indigenous production of Covaxin under the Mission, the Department of Biotechnology, Government of India in April, 2021 provided financial support as Grant to vaccine manufacturing facilities for enhanced production capacities, which is expected to reach more than 10 crore doses per month by September, 2021.

As a part of this augmentation plan, capacities of Bharat Biotech Limited, Hyderabad as well as other public sector manufactures are being upgraded with required infrastructure and technology. Financial support is being provided as grant from GoI to the tune of approx. Rs 65 Cr to Bharat Biotech's new Bangalore facility which is being repurposed to increase the capacity of vaccine production.

**For Details:** <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718791>

### **110 Medical Cadets commissioned as Medical Officers into AFMS**

Ninety four cadets were commissioned into the Indian Army, 10 in the Indian Air Force and six in the Indian Navy. The newly commissioned medical officers were administered the oath of allegiance to the Constitution of India by Col Training, AFMC Col AK Shakya. The Passing Out Parade had to be called off for the first time since 1982, keeping in mind the Covid-19 restrictions.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718786>



**Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh despatches second consignment COVID related material for his Lok Sabha constituency of Udhampur-Kathua-Doda.**

Dr Jitendra Singh disclosed that among the various items included are 80,000 Face Masks and nearly 1,000 packs of Hand sanitisers, besides a wide range of accessories and articles for use in COVID pandemic. He recalled that the first consignment of similar material was dispatched by him on the same day when he had tested COVID negative after undergoing hospitalization for symptomatic infection.

**For Details:** <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718820>

**BBMB waging a war from the front against COVID -19 at Nangal**

BHAKRA BEAS MANAGEMENT BOARD under the Ministry of Power has stepped forward to contain the spread of COVID-19 in the second wave of COVID pandemic.

For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718822>

**NTPC augments COVID Care Facilities across the country.**

NTPC Ltd, India's largest integrated energy company, under Ministry of Power has added more than 500 beds with oxygen support and more than 1100 isolation beds across plants in various states to provide support to the critical Covid care. In NCR region, the company has set up Covid care centres with facility of 200 oxygen supported beds and 140 isolation beds in Badarpur, Noida & Dadri. Further, the company has set up a 500-bed covid health centre at Sundargarh in Odisha where 20 ventilators have been provided.

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CORONA FACTS

A few common  
**Myths**

**MYTH**  
5G mobile networks spread/transmit COVID-19

**FACT**

- Viruses **cannot travel on radio waves** or mobile network.
- COVID-19 is spreading in many countries that **do not have 5G** mobile network.

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- India's Cumulative Recoveries exceed 2 Crore
- Union Government to supply nearly 1 crore 92 lakh of COVID vaccines to States/UTs, Free of Cost, during the Fortnight of 16th-31st May
- Relaxation in procurement rules for containment of COVID-19 pandemic
- Mega make-shift COVID centre set up at Kochi Refinery premises

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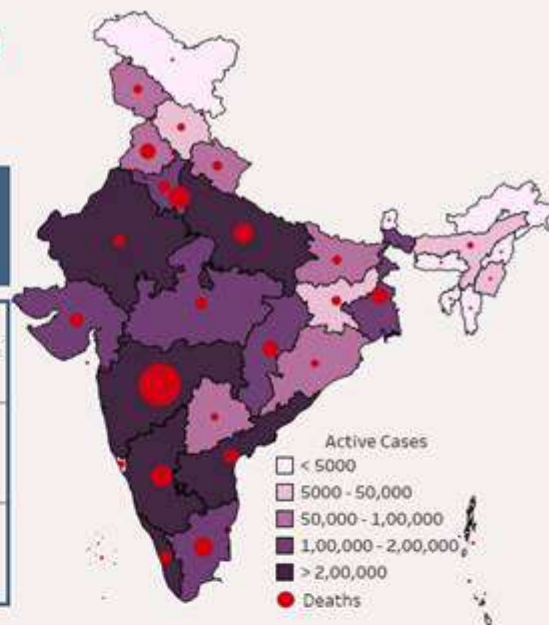


# COVID-19 Tracker

As on 14 May 2021, till 8AM

**Total Cases** **2,40,46,809**  
(▲3,43,144)

Recovered	2,00,79,599 (83.50%)	▲ 3,44,776
Active	37,04,893 (15.41%)	▼ 5,632
Deaths	2,62,317 (1.09%)	▲ 4,000



States' Cases (Highest)	Recovered (%)	Active (%)	Deaths (%)	
Maharashtra	52,69,292 (▲42,582)	<div><div></div></div> 46,54,731 (88%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,35,704 (10%)	<div><div></div></div> 78,857 (1.5%)
Karnataka	20,88,488 (▲35,297)	<div><div></div></div> 14,74,678 (71%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,93,098 (28%)	<div><div></div></div> 20,712 (1.0%)
Kerala	20,50,889 (▲39,955)	<div><div></div></div> 16,05,471 (78%)	<div><div></div></div> 4,39,268 (21%)	<div><div></div></div> 6,150 (0.3%)
Uttar Pradesh	15,80,980 (▲17,745)	<div><div></div></div> 13,59,676 (86%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,04,658 (13%)	<div><div></div></div> 16,646 (1.1%)
Tamil Nadu	14,99,485 (▲30,621)	<div><div></div></div> 12,98,945 (87%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,83,772 (12%)	<div><div></div></div> 16,768 (1.1%)
Delhi	13,72,475 (▲10,489)	<div><div></div></div> 12,74,140 (93%)	<div><div></div></div> 77,717 (6%)	<div><div></div></div> 20,618 (1.5%)
Andhra Pradesh	13,66,785 (▲22,399)	<div><div></div></div> 11,56,666 (85%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,01,042 (15%)	<div><div></div></div> 9,077 (0.7%)
West Bengal	10,73,956 (▲20,839)	<div><div></div></div> 9,30,886 (87%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,30,213 (12%)	<div><div></div></div> 12,857 (1.2%)
Chhattisgarh	8,92,331 (▲9,121)	<div><div></div></div> 7,61,592 (85%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,19,450 (13%)	<div><div></div></div> 11,289 (1.3%)
Rajasthan	8,21,525 (▲15,867)	<div><div></div></div> 6,03,319 (73%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,11,889 (26%)	<div><div></div></div> 6,317 (0.8%)
Gujarat	7,25,353 (▲10,742)	<div><div></div></div> 5,93,666 (82%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,22,847 (17%)	<div><div></div></div> 8,840 (1.2%)
Madhya Pradesh	7,08,621 (▲8,419)	<div><div></div></div> 5,93,752 (84%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,08,116 (15%)	<div><div></div></div> 6,753 (1.0%)
Haryana	6,65,028 (▲12,286)	<div><div></div></div> 5,55,650 (84%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,03,140 (16%)	<div><div></div></div> 6,238 (0.9%)
Bihar	6,30,185 (▲7,752)	<div><div></div></div> 5,30,314 (84%)	<div><div></div></div> 96,278 (15%)	<div><div></div></div> 3,593 (0.6%)
Odisha	5,76,297 (▲10,649)	<div><div></div></div> 4,82,345 (84%)	<div><div></div></div> 91,701 (16%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,251 (0.4%)
Telangana	5,16,404 (▲4,693)	<div><div></div></div> 4,56,620 (88%)	<div><div></div></div> 56,917 (11%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,867 (0.6%)
Punjab	4,75,949 (▲8,410)	<div><div></div></div> 3,84,702 (81%)	<div><div></div></div> 79,950 (17%)	<div><div></div></div> 11,297 (2.4%)
Assam	3,15,554 (▲5,468)	<div><div></div></div> 2,70,079 (86%)	<div><div></div></div> 43,491 (14%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,984 (0.6%)
Jharkhand	3,06,248 (▲4,991)	<div><div></div></div> 2,53,490 (83%)	<div><div></div></div> 48,468 (16%)	<div><div></div></div> 4,290 (1.4%)
Uttarakhand	2,71,810 (▲7,127)	<div><div></div></div> 1,89,261 (70%)	<div><div></div></div> 78,304 (29%)	<div><div></div></div> 4,245 (1.6%)

\* ▲ indicates increase in the number in the last 24 hrs

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### India's Cumulative Recoveries exceed 2 Crore

- 24-hour Recoveries Outnumber Daily New COVID Cases for Third Time in last Four Days
- Decline of 5,632 in Active Caseload in the last 24 hours
- India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage steadily nearing 18 Crore
- More than 39 lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated, so far
- Government of India continues to Expeditiously Allocate and Deliver Global Aid to States/UTs through a "Whole of Government" approach

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718507>

### Stay Safe from Mucormycosis - a Fungal Complication being Detected in COVID-19 Patients

Control Diabetes, Use Steroids Judiciously, Keep Good Hygiene, Don't Self-Medicate

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**Union Government to supply nearly 192 lakh of COVID vaccines to States/UTs, Free of Cost, during the Fortnight of 16th-31st May**

The cumulative number of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered in the country is nearly 18 Crore (17.93 Crore, as per the 7 am provisional report today). COVID-19 vaccination drive has successfully completed 118 days wherein 17.89 Crore doses have been administered to the identified beneficiaries through collaborative efforts of all States/UTs. India is the fastest country globally to reach the 17 crore target in 114 days. USA took 115 days and China took 119 days to administer the same amount of doses.

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**Update on COVID Relief Aid**

The Inflow of Foreign Aid to combat COVID continues to be swiftly cleared, apportioned and sent to States/UTs

More than 10,000 Oxygen Concentrators; more than 12,000 Oxygen Cylinders; 19 Oxygen Generation Plants; more than 6,400 ventilators/Bi PAP; ~4.2 L Remdesivir vials delivered/ dispatched so far

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**Update on Ventilators Installed in Aurangabad****Ad-hoc Installation without guidance from Manufacturer in Hospitals; Improper Fitting of Oxygen Mask cause of non-optimal functioning in at least one Ventilator**

Government of India has been supporting the efforts of States and UTs for effective management of COVID patients in hospital care, under the 'Whole of Government' approach since last year. In order to augment the existing hospital infrastructure, the Union Government has been centrally procuring and providing States/UTs/Central Hospitals/ Institutes with essential medical devices including ventilators since April 2020.

There have been some media reports suggesting that 'Make in India' ventilators in the Aurangabad district of Maharashtra were not functioning optimally. These reports are baseless and incorrect, not supported by full information on the matter.

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**PM releases 8th instalment of financial benefit under PM-KISAN; Government is fighting COVID-19 with all its might**

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi released 8<sup>th</sup> instalment of financial benefit of Rs 2,06,67,75,66,000 to 9,50,67,601 beneficiary farmers under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) scheme today via video conferencing. Prime Minister also interacted with farmer beneficiaries during the event. Union Agriculture Minister was also present on the occasion.



Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said for the first time, the farmers of West Bengal would be getting the benefit of this scheme. He lauded the efforts of the farmers who have made record produce in food grains and horticulture amidst the difficulties during this pandemic. He said Government is also setting new records in procurement at MSP every year. Paddy procurement at MSP had set new records and now wheat procurement at MSP is also setting new records. He added that so far this year, about 10 percent more wheat has been procured at MSP, compared to last year. So far, about Rs. 58,000 crores for wheat procurement has reached the farmers' account directly.

Prime Minister remarked that the Government is constantly trying to provide new solutions and new options in farming. Promoting organic farming is also one of such effort. Organic farming delivers more profit and is now being practiced across the nation by young farmers. He said that now organic farming is being practised on both banks of Ganga and within a radius of about 5 kilometers, so that the Ganga remains clean.

Prime Minister stressed that during this COVID-19 pandemic, Kisan Credit Card's deadline has been extended and instalments can now be renewed by 30 June. He said more than 2 crore Kisan Credit Cards have been issued in recent years.

Prime Minister said that this once in a century pandemic is challenging the world, as it is an invisible enemy in front of us. He said the Government is fighting COVID-19 with all its might and ensuring that every government department is working day & night to ease the pain of the nation.

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### **From 126 MT of Oxygen to 7900 MT of Oxygen in 20 days; beginning with the first delivery on 24th April, Railways upscale it's Oxygen Express operations to deliver Oxygen relief to 12 States**

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 nearly 7900 MT of LMO in nearly 500 tankers to various states across the country.

Oxygen Expresses have been delivering nearly 800 MT of LMO to the Nation each day for last few days.

It may be noted that Oxygen Expresses started their deliveries 20 days back on 24th April 2021 in Maharashtra with a load of 126 MT of LMO.

In just 20 days time, Railways has upscaled it's Oxygen Express operations to deliver nearly 7900 MT of Medical Oxygen to 12 States.

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### **Mega make-shift COVID centre set up at Kochi Refinery premises**

A 100-bed make-shift COVID treatment centre opened today at BPCL's Kochi Refinery operated school, adjacent to its premises, in Ambalamugal, Kerala. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), a 'Maharatna' PSU under the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India, will provide





free Oxygen, power and water to the Centre. The oxygen will be supplied through a dedicated stainless steel pipeline. The medical facility will have 100 beds in the first phase, which will be later expanded to accommodate 1,500 beds, in the same premises.

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### **Relaxation in procurement rules for containment of COVID-19 pandemic**

The Government of India has exempted the public procurement of supplies required for containment of COVID-19 global pandemic from the applicability of Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017. The order issued by Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry says that the aforesaid exemption shall be applicable till 30.09.2021.

**For Details :** <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718515>

### **Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs), BPPI and other stakeholders join hands to make available the essential medicines and other items at affordable prices**

Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs), Bureau of Pharma PSUs of India (BPPI), Distributors and other stakeholders have come together and are contributing in the fight against the current wave of Covid 19 pandemic.

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### **Launch of Defence National OPD on e-Sanjeevani portal**

In order to mitigate the criticality of inadequate availability of specialised medical manpower, veteran defence doctors have come forward answering the call of the nation to provide free online consultation services on the e-Sanjeevani platform. This will help on making the invaluable experience of veteran defence medical professionals available to fellow citizens of the country.

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### **Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh says, Community Management of COVID is equally important along with medical and administrative measures**

Says, Vaccination is key priority in all the 6 districts of Udhampur Constituency

Dr Jitendra Singh also sought the views of public representatives regarding the expenditure of Rs 2.5 crore allocated recently from his MP Fund for COVID related measures. He said, he had taken this decision in view of the unprecedented crisis arising out of the pandemic, for which each one of us is expected to contribute whatever resources are available. He said, this fund could be utilised for establishing Oxygen plants or for purchase of oximeters, masks, sanitizer, PPE kits, Oxygen cylinders and other Covid related items.

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— PIB WCD (@PIBWCD) May 14, 2021

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♦ If you know any child who has lost both parents to COVID and there is no one to take care of her/him, please inform at Childline (1098), 24x7, free, phone emergency outreach service for children in need of care and protection.

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**INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES**

**Maharashtra:** Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) has formed a committee of experts from the health department and doctors to conduct research on coronavirus. The Committee will analyse various strains of coronavirus, their impact on humans etc. Additional Commissioner Suresh Kakani said, the Committee will also keep an eye on the new viruses and probable impacts by them. The Civic body is also planning to open a Super speciality hospital for the treatment of various diseases. Maharashtra recorded less than 50,000 new Covid-19 cases for 5th day in a row yesterday. Maharashtra on Thursday reported a decline in the state's new Covid-19 caseload. The state reported 42,582 new Covid-19 cases on May 13 as against 46,781 cases reported on May 12.

**Gujarat:** With the Centre increasing the gap between two doses of Covishield, vaccination for those above the age of 45 years in Gujarat has been halted for three days from May 14. Gujarat reported 10,742 new Covid-19 cases and 109 deaths on Thursday, taking its overall infection tally to 7,25,353 and fatality count to 8,840, the health department said.

**Rajasthan:** Rajasthan hasn't witnessed any dip in the positivity rate since last week despite fewer number of RT-PCR tests being conducted. The Rajasthan government will purchase vaccines from abroad to speed up the coronavirus vaccination process in the state and a global tender will be issued for the same. Along with this, the government has also approved direct purchase of coronavirus treatment drugs and equipment from companies.



**Madhya Pradesh:** Pradesh government on Thursday announced 5,000 rupees per month pension to families who have lost their earning members and bread earners due to Corona pandemic and free education for orphaned children. Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that several families are facing severe financial crisis due to COVID and state government will ensure all possible help to such families. Madhya Pradesh for the consecutive fourth day registered less than 10,000 cases. State reported 8,419 fresh cases and 74 fatalities while 10,157 patients recovered from infection. The number of active cases in the state stands at 1 lakh 08 thousand. More than 60 thousand tests are being conducted every day. Under the Mukhyamantri Covid Kalyan Yojana, 2280 patients are being treated free of cost. State government is also taking strong action against black marketing of Remdesivir injection. So far 75 persons have been sent to jail under NSA.

**Chhattisgarh:** Chhattisgarh is recording a steady decline in cases of Corona infection. The state's health department has also begun preparations to deal with the challenges of a possible third wave of corona infection. Chhattisgarh government will bear all education and other expenses of the children who have been orphaned due to Covid-19. This scheme will be implemented from this financial year itself. Apart from this, scholarship will also be given to such children. A helpline number has been issued to identify such children in many districts of the state. Also, arrangements are being made to accommodate them in various shelter homes.

**Goa:** Chief Minister Pramod Sawant has said that the state would launch the vaccination drive for those in the 18-44 age group from Saturday. The CM tweeted that the vaccine will be administered free of cost across Goa through 35 government centres. The government has received around 32,870 doses of the Covishield vaccine from the Serum Institute of India. The daily COVID positivity rate in Goa witnessed a significant decline. The positivity rate dropped to 35.16 per cent from 41.40 per cent. The state government on Thursday appointed a three-member committee to inquire into the oxygen crisis at the Goa Medical College and Hospital, Bambolim. Director-IIT Goa Dr B K Mishra will be chairperson of the panel.

**Assam:** As many as 75 persons lost their lives due to COVID-19 in the state on Thursday. The state recorded 5,468 positive cases in the last 24 hours, the overall positivity rate being 9.18 percent. Kamrup (Metro) reported 1,173 cases. Health Minister Keshab Mahanta said that although the State government was not in favour of announcing a lockdown, it might be forced to do so in the urban areas if the situation worsens. The State Health Department said that there is no scarcity of COVID-19 beds as of now in the state. Till May 11, all government hospitals in the state together had 10,844 isolation beds, 1,751 oxygen supported beds, 686 ICU beds for COVID-19 patients against 5,233 active COVID-19 patients in hospitals and 421 patients in oxygen supported beds. The State Education department has rescheduled the month long summer vacations for classes 1 to 12, making it from May 15 to June 14, 2021 instead of the usual July 1 to July 31, in order to minimise the loss of academic days in view of the COVID-19 pandemic situation. The 4 Corps of the Indian Army has set up 45 oxygen beds and 5 ICU Beds at the Tezpur Medical College Hospital in a record time of just 3 days.

**Meghalaya:** Meghalaya recorded all-time high 591 fresh cases in a single day on Thursday while 18 more fatalities on the day pushed the death toll to 268.

With this, the total number of active cases in the state has jumped to 3,726. The Health department is all set to start the vaccination drive for the 18-44 age group under the third phase of vaccination from Friday. A statement from the NHM Mission Director said that registration for the vaccination on the



CoWIN portal ([www.cowin.gov.in](http://www.cowin.gov.in)) began on April 28 and booking of slots at designated COVID vaccination centres opened on May 13. All the government facilities throughout the state have slots of 100 vaccines per day except Rynjah State Dispensary and Shillong Civil Hospital which have 150 slots.

**Sikkim:** Sikkim loses record number of 9 lives to Covid; Toll climbs to 190: 231 new cases of novel coronavirus were reported in the last 24 hours in Sikkim taking the state's tally of confirmed cases of COVID-19 to 10,623. There are now 2,946 active cases of coronavirus in Sikkim.

**Nagaland:** Nagaland registered 12 Covid deaths on Thursday and also reported

highest single day spike for the 2nd day in a row with 366 new cases. Nagaland goes to total lockdown from 6 pm today. Lockdown period ends on May 21. Covid vaccination for 18-44 yrs age group set to begin in Nagaland on May 17. State Health Dept officials said the state received 36,580 doses of Covishield from Serum Institute of India on Wednesday. Over 600 persons penalized for violation of night curfew and containment zone restrictions in Kohima over the week.

**Kerala:** The Kerala High Court today asked the Centre to inform when they can deliver the COVID vaccine share of Kerala, by May 21. The Union government informed the Court that the vaccine supply is not under their direct control and a high-level committee appointed by the Supreme Court is in charge of it. Pointing out that COVID cases are increasing in Kerala day by day the Court said the Centre should consider the present situation in the state. Meanwhile, 39,955 new Covid cases along with 97 deaths were reported yesterday. TPR is at 28.61%. Considering the surge in Covid cases, the state government has decided to conduct more antigen tests in the state following ICMR guidelines. Antigen testing booths will be set up in coastal areas and slums for this purpose. Testing facility will be arranged for 24 hours a day at railway stations and bus stands. The Covid vaccination which was to be held in Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam districts today has been postponed, due to the red alert declared by IMD due to heavy rains. So far, a total of 82,39,454 people have been vaccinated in the state. Out of this, 62,79,381 had first dose and 19,60,073 second dose.

**Tamil Nadu:** The State received 80 MT of oxygen today by the Oxygen Express train which arrived from Durgapur in West Bengal. After facing acute shortage of medical oxygen with several hospitals in the state not being able to accommodate patients for want of oxygen beds, the Tamil Nadu state government has issued guidelines for optimal usage of oxygen. DMK MPs and MLAs would offer their one-month salary to the CM's Relief Fund to help Tamil Nadu in its fight against Covid19. With 30,608 more new Covid cases on Thursday, a total of 14,99,485 Covid cases have been reported in the State so far, with 1,83,772 active cases. As many as 297 more deaths were reported. The death toll stands at 16,178. Till date 68,22,834 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 49,78,091 received first dose and 18,44,743 received second dose.

**Karnataka:** New Cases Reported: 35,297; Total Active Cases: 5,93,078; New Covid Deaths: 344; Total Covid Deaths: 20,712. Around 68,658 were vaccinated yesterday and with this a total of 1,09,76,189 have been vaccinated in the state till now. The government has ordered all state ministers to pay a year's salary as donation to the Covid relief fund. Dy CM and head of State Covid Task Force, Dr. CN Ashwatha Narayan has said that 5 lakhs of Remdesivir injections will be imported through a global tender.





**Andhra Pradesh:** State reported 22,399 new Covid-19 cases after testing 96,446 samples with 89 deaths, while 18,638 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 74,13,446 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 53,32,845 first doses and 20,80,601 second doses. The state government on Thursday issued global tenders for Covid vaccines which are likely to be opened by June 3 with a pre-bid meeting on May 20 or 22. Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy said, in Andhra Pradesh alone, over seven crore doses would be required to cover all those above 18 years, but the Centre has given only 73 lakh doses till date. Referring to the oxygen supply to Covid patients, the Chief Minister directed the officials to increase the capacity of oxygen reserves in hospitals with appropriate measures to prevent technical snags in supply. Meanwhile, Principal Secretary (Health) Anil Kumar Singhal said that the treatment for Covid-19 being provided in private hospitals under YSR Aarogyasri has been streamlined and it is totally cashless now.

**Telangana:** State Health Department has decided to administer only 'Second Dose' of covid vaccine till end of this month. The fourth Oxygen Express to Telangana with six cryogenic tankers carrying 120 Metric Tonnes of Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) reached Hyderabad yesterday. As many as 4,693 new Covid infections and 33 fatalities were reported in the state yesterday taking the death toll to 2,867 and the total caseload to 5,16,404. The number of Active cases in the State now stands at 56,917. Coming to vaccination programme in the state, a total of 1045 people under various categories received first dose and 38,510 people second dose yesterday in the state. The cumulative number of people who have received first dose in the state stands at 43,75,396 and second dose at 11,03,872. State Public Health Director Dr.G.Sreenivasa Rao said there is a clearly visible downward trend of Covid infections, fatalities and hospital admissions across Telangana. The trend is being attributed to a combination of factors including two weeks of night curfew, a series of containment strategies implemented by the State government and Covid-19 precautions wholeheartedly embraced by the public.

**Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 475949. Number of active cases is 79950. Total Deaths reported is 11297. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 817002. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 238127. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2583802. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 425877.

**Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 665028. Total active COVID-19 patients are 103140. Number of deaths is 6238. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4756185.

**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases are 53393. Total number of Active Cases is 8441. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 609.

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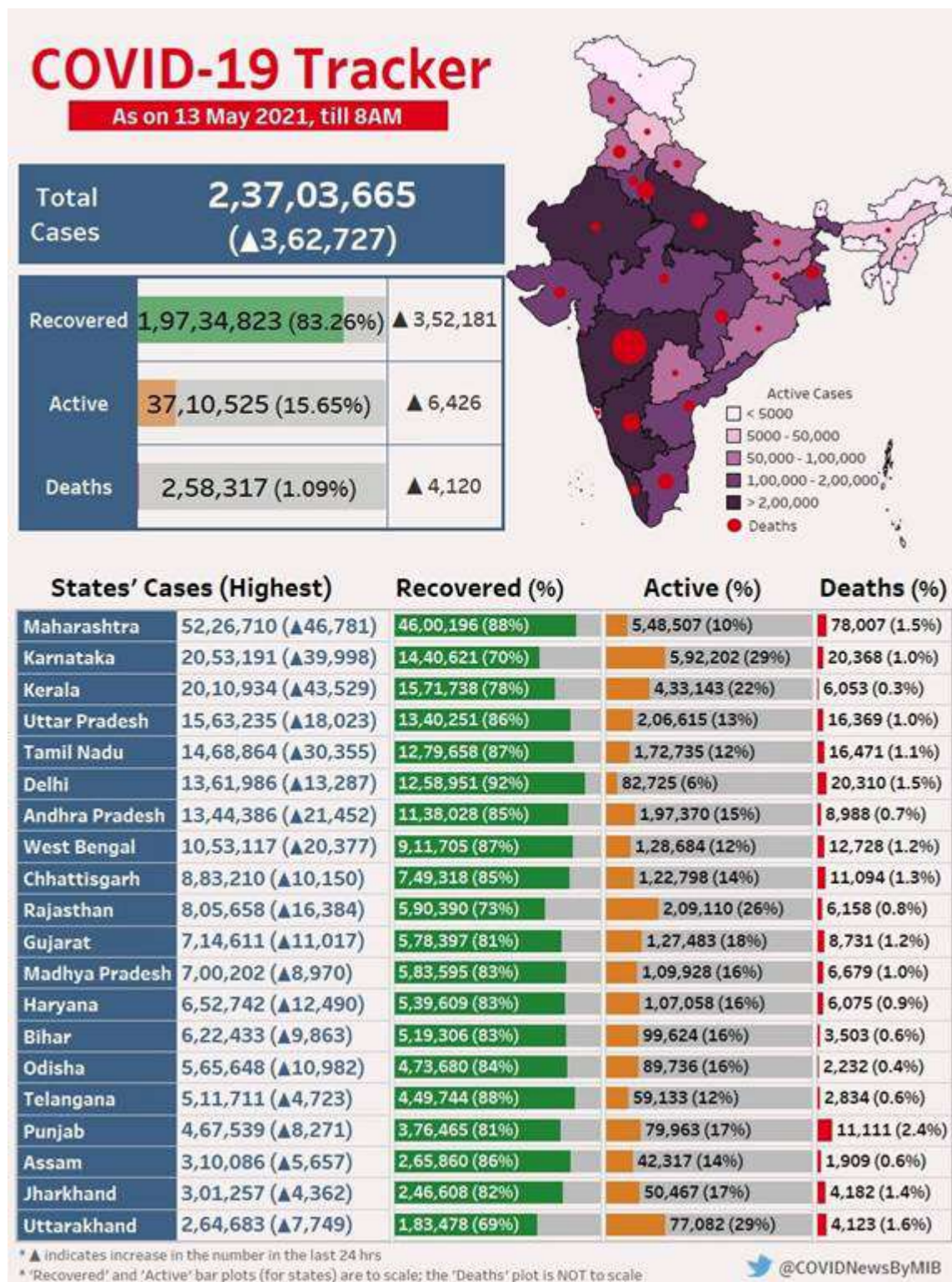
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## India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 17.72 Crore

- 4,31,285 beneficiaries of the age group 18-44 years received their first dose of COVID vaccine in the last 24 hours and cumulatively 34,80,618 across 30 States/UTs since the start of phase-3 of vaccination drive. Table below shows the cumulative vaccine doses administered to 18-44 years age group till now.
- India's cumulative recoveries stand at 1,97,34,823 today. The National Recovery Rate is 83.26%.
- The National Mortality Rate currently stands at 1.09%.



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**More than Half a Crore patients served by the National Telemedicine Service (eSanjeevani) during the COVID-19 Pandemic**

- Daily, over 1500 doctors serve patients remotely through eSanjeevani telemedicine platform



Few States working towards rolling out special Home Isolation OPDs wherein patients can be screened remotely for COVID-19 by final year MBBS students



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**DCGI approves Phase II/III clinical trial of COVAXIN in the age group of 2 to 18 Years**

The National Regulator of the country, the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI), after careful examination, has accepted the recommendation of Subject Expert Committee (SEC) and accorded permission to conduct the Phase II/III clinical trial of Covaxin (COVID vaccine) in the age group 2 to 18 years, to its manufacturer Bharat Biotech Ltd on 12.05.2021.

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**Update on Ventilators Supplied under PM CARES**

“Made in India” Ventilators have strengthened Infrastructure of Hospitals for Effective COVID management. All Technical Assistance being provided by Manufacturers for their Glitch-free Operation.

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**Gap between two doses of Covishield Vaccine extended from 6-8 weeks to 12-16 weeks based on recommendation of COVID Working Group**

The COVID Working Group chaired by Dr N K Arora has recommended extension of the gap between the first and second doses of COVISHIELD vaccine to 12-16 weeks. The present gap between the two doses of COVISHIELD vaccine is 6-8 weeks.

Based on the available real-life evidences, particularly from UK, the COVID-19 Working Group agreed for increasing the dosing interval to 12-16 weeks between two doses of COVISHIELD vaccine. No change in interval of COVAXIN vaccine doses was recommended.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718308>

**Update on Covid Relief Aid: Through a “Whole of Government” approach, Govt of India has expeditiously Allocated and Delivered Global Aid to States/UTs**





Government of India has been receiving international donations and aid of COVID-19 relief medical supplies and equipment since 27 April 2021 from different countries/organisations to augment its efforts in fighting the unprecedented surge in COVID in the country. Through a streamlined and systematic mechanism under the “Whole of Government” approach, various Ministries/Departments of Government of India have seamlessly collaborated for expeditiously delivering the incoming global aid to States and UTs.

**Cumulatively, 9,294 Oxygen Concentrators; 11,835 Oxygen Cylinders; 19 Oxygen Generation Plants; 6,439 ventilators/Bi PAP; nearly 4.22 L Remdesivir vials delivered/ dispatched through road and air, from 27th April 2021 to 12th May 2021.**

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### **Union Government consistently and proactively working to secure and enhance the Availability of COVID Vaccines**

There have been reports in a section of the media followed by some uninformed tweets alleging delay in licensing for Covaxin and delayed approval for technology transfer for manufacturing COVAXIN vaccine in the country.

These news reports and the content mentioned in the tweet are completely baseless and factually incorrect.

The Union Government is consistently and proactively working to secure and enhance the availability of vaccines. Government of India, in its new liberalized strategy, has made specific provisions that vaccines for COVID-19, which have been developed & are being manufactured in foreign countries and which have been granted emergency use authorization by National Regulators of United States, European Medicine Agency (EU), United kingdom, Japan or which are listed in WHO (Emergency Use Listing), will be granted emergency use approval in India. It also provides for post-approval parallel bridging clinical trial in place of conduct of prior local clinical trial as per the provisions prescribed under Second Schedule of the New Drugs & Clinical Trials Rules 2019. This is a radical departure from past allowing rapid and simplified authorization of foreign vaccines by Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI).

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### **Oxygen Expresses deliver more than 7115 MT of Medical Oxygen to the Nation**

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 nearly 7115 MT of LMO in more than 444 tankers to various states across the country. Yesterday Oxygen Expresses delivered nearly 800 MT of LMO to the Nation.

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### **Bhubaneswar Airport ensures seamless delivery of medical essentials to support the fight against Covid-19**



Total 156 empty oxygen tankers, 526 oxygen concentrators and 140 oxygen cylinders transported.



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### INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD UNITS



**Maharashtra:** The Maharashtra Government has extended the current Covid-19 restrictions in the state till 7am on 1st June. The state has also made a negative RT-PCR report mandatory for those entering the state. The test report will have to be issued within 48 hours before the time of entry into the state.



Maharashtra Government has temporarily suspended the vaccination drive for 18-44 age group due to shortage of vaccines. Maharashtra's Health Minister Rajesh Tope said the state cabinet has decided that all the doses purchased for this age group will now be diverted for the 45 category.



**Gujarat:** In Gujarat, the fortnight-long "Maru Gam, Corona Mukht Gam" programme organised by the Gujarat government to control the spread of Covid-19 in the villages, has been extended for five more days till May 20. Jaydrathsinh Parmar, Minister of State for Panchayats, said a total of 15,322 Covid care centres have been set up within 14,236 gram panchayats, where 1,37,000 lakh beds have been readied to isolate and provide primary treatment for those detected with mild symptoms.

Gujarat recorded 11,017 new cases of COVID19 yesterday. Maximum 2795 new cases were reported from Ahmedabad, while Surat recorded 781 new cases. 102 patients lost their lives yesterday.

**Rajasthan:** In Rajasthan, the State Government has decided to import 1,00,00,000 COVID vaccine doses. The state also approved the proposals for relaxation in financial procedures for the purchase and transportation of life-saving drugs, oxygen concentrators and other medical equipment. The State Government has also started the work to develop necessary facilities in children hospitals amidst warning of the third and fourth wave. Meanwhile, a lion has tested positive for COVID-19 in Nahargarh Biological Park of Jaipur. Nahargarh Biological Park had already been closed for tourists last month.

**Madhya Pradesh:** In Pradesh, the number of fresh Coronavirus infections is continuously declining. Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that in areas where the positivity rate has gone below five per cent, Corona curfew will be gradually lifted in the districts after 17th of May. 'Black fungal infection' treatment units with operation theatres (OTs) will be opened in Bhopal and Jabalpur. Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan informed that so far, 50 black fungal infection cases have come to notice in the state. The State government is also devising a preventive strategy against black fungal infection which includes measures such as rational use of steroids in COVID patients by doctors and educating patients to identify the primary signs of the disease.

**Chhattisgarh:** Chhattisgarh has launched CG Teeka web portal to enable the disadvantaged section of its population to register for Covid-19 vaccination programme through help desks, to be set up at hundreds of locations across the state.

Amid the second wave of Coronavirus infection, there have also been some cases of black fungus infection. Taking stock of these cases, the State Government has started efforts to control this disease. Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has directed the Health Department to ensure availability of medicines needed for the treatment of Black Fungus infection in various districts after some cases of this disease came to the fore.



**f Goa:** Following the high court directions that Covid-19 negative certificate is mandatory for all those entering the state, Goa police has strengthened its apparatus at the state's borders to ensure that the directions are strictly complied with. In a bid to ensure that Goa Medical College gets adequate supply of oxygen, the state government has started calibrating the supply of oxygen to private hospitals and primary health centres.

**in Kerala:** The State government is considering an extension of the lockdown as the Covid-19 numbers and test positivity rate show no signs of abating. A final decision will be made after considering the Covid-19 figures on Friday and Saturday. The Health Department and expert committee have recommended an extension of the lockdown. However, there are also suggestions that strict lockdown needs to be enforced in only areas with high TPR. The state recorded 43,520 new Covid cases yesterday. 95 new fatalities were also confirmed, mounting the death toll to 6053. TPR also increased and touched at 29.75%. Meanwhile, Id-ul-Fitr is being celebrated in the state today under strict Covid restrictions. Following appeal from religious leaders, faithful offered their Eid prayers at home. So far, a total of 82,00,528 people has taken vaccine in the state. 62,62,809 took first dose and 19,37,719 people had their second dose.

**Tamil Nadu:** Chief Minister MK Stalin, on Thursday, wrote a letter to PM seeking suspension of GST for Covid drugs and vaccines. Chief Minister further urged the centre to relax the debt-to-GDP ratio of state governments from 3% to 4% to enable state governments to obtain debt in such difficult times. An all-party meeting chaired by CM is being held today to discuss the steps to be taken to tackle the Covid-19 crisis. Vedanta Ltd owned Sterlite Copper has commenced production of medical oxygen at its facility in Tamil Nadu and the first batch of 'medical grade oxygen' was dispatched today. The first Oxygen Express for Tamil Nadu from Indian Railways carrying 80 metric tonnes (MT) of liquid medical oxygen (LMO) on Wednesday left from Durgapur railway station in West Bengal. Following submission by the Centre that over a lakh oxygen generator, developed by DRDO, has been sanctioned under the PM Cares Fund for installation, the Madras High Court on Wednesday sought the Tamil Nadu Government to immediately seek for such installation to augur the growing oxygen demand in the State. TN recorded 30,355 new COVID-19 cases in the single biggest day spike so far on Wednesday, pushing the caseload to 14,68,864 while 293 deaths in the last 24 hours took the toll to 16,471 and 1,72,735 active cases. Till date 67,38,923 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 49,37,244 received first dose and 18,01,679 received second dose.

**Karnataka:** New Cases Reported: 39998; Total Active Cases: 592182; New Covid Deaths: 517; Total Covid Deaths: 20368. Around 88,437 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 1,08,82,080 have been vaccinated in the state till now. Due to inadequate supply and lack of inventory, the state government has decided to discontinue vaccination for those in the age group of 18-44 years, decided to give second dose on top priority to 45-year-old. The central government has told the High Court that the quantity of Remdisivir supplied to the state has been increased to 5.75 lakh.

**Andhra Pradesh:** State reported 21,452 new Covid-19 cases after testing 90,750 samples with 89 deaths, while 19,095 got discharged during the last 24 hours. Total cases: 13,44,386; Active cases: 1,97,370; Discharges: 11,38,028; Deaths: 8988. A total of 73,73,521 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 53,30,276 first doses and 20,43,245 second doses. State Health Minister said that the oxygen capacity will be increased from present 517 MT to 600



**f** MT. Besides, monitoring cells will be set up to prevent wastage of oxygen. He said task force committees were formed to prevent black marketing of Remdesivir injections. Meanwhile, restrictions were lifted for the ambulances coming from Andhra Pradesh into Telangana at check post at Ramapuram crossroad in Kodad mandal after High Court gave directions to Telangana government.

**Twitter** **Telangana:** State-level Task Force on Covid headed by State Minister for Industries Shri K.T.Rama Rao held its first meeting on Wednesday and decided to procure Covid-related medicines and other medical equipment required in Govt hospitals for next three months. During a video conference with Union Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan yesterday, State Finance Minister Shri T. Harish Rao requested the **in** Central Government to enhance the supply of vaccine doses and other essentials required for treating the Covid-19 patients. Meanwhile, the State reported 4,723 new Covid infections and 31 fatalities yesterday taking the death toll to 2,834 and the total caseload to 5,11,711. The number of active cases in Telangana now stands at 59,133.

**Assam:** The Assam government on Wednesday ordered shutting of all offices, religious places and weekly markets for 15 days in urban and semi-urban areas of the state, besides banning the movement of people from 2 pm to 5 am in the wake of the rising COVID-19 cases. Issuing a new set of guidelines for the urban and semi-urban places in the periphery of 5 km of municipal areas, Chief Secretary Jishnu Barua said all standalone shops and commercial establishments shall shut down at 1 pm on all days. 71 people died of COVID-19 in the State on Wednesday when 5,657 new positive cases were reported. In Kamrup (M) 1,456 cases were reported. The COVID-19 positivity rate in the State is 8.8 percent. The State Health department, like in other states, is planning to prioritize the second dose beneficiaries in order to ensure that they get the second jab on time. Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Wednesday assigned specific districts to the ministers of his Cabinet to monitor the COVID-19 situation and ensure necessary guidance to administration of the respective districts.

**Manipur:** Manipur records 666 cases, 17 deaths in last 24 hours.

One of the main reasons for the spike in the number of deaths due to COVID-19 in the last few days is late admission of patients in hospitals, said Dr Nepram Sanjib, Deputy Medical Superintendent of RIMS, Imphal. The cumulative number of people who have been vaccinated in the state reached 2,82,958.

**Meghalaya:** Meghalaya continued to report over 400 fresh cases for the fourth straight day on Wednesday while eight more fatalities on the day pushed the death toll to 250. The state also recorded 314 recoveries taking the number of people discharged to 17,354. The Meghalaya government is unhappy with the poor response to the COVID vaccination drive for people over 45 years of age.

Deputy Chief Minister Prestone Tynsong told reporters after a review meeting Wednesday that the vaccination coverage for the targeted group stands at a mere 37-38%.

**Sikkim:** Sikkim High Court has pulled up the State Government for inadequate Covid care facility in hospitals. The State has now lost 183 lives to Covid..

**Tripura:** 2 deaths and 416 new infections with west Tripura district reporting 238 positive cases in the state. State government has decided to give free rations to the people living in the Containment Zone. Meanwhile 18 plus vaccination to start from today in the state with 15150 doses of Covaxin reaching the state.

**f** **Nagaland:** Nagaland registered highest single day **Twitter** spike of 338 new cases **in** and 9 deaths on Wednesday.

Active cases are 3297 while tally goes up to 16,890.

**f** Summer break of both govt and private schools extended till May 21. School Education Dept order says decision taken in view of the current pandemic situation.

**🐦** Regional Ayurveda Centre, Dimapur begins distribution of AYUSH 64 tablets to Covid patients under home isolation. Distribution will continue for 20 days.

**📞** **Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 467539. Number of active cases is 79963. Total Deaths reported is 11111. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 806082. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 235646. Total **✉** above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2570979. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 417899.

**in** **Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 652742. Total active COVID-19 patients are 107058. Number of deaths is 6075. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4658366.

**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases are 52633. Total number of Active Cases is 8528. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 599.

**Himachal Pradesh:** Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 145736. Total number of Active Cases is 38954. Total deaths reported till date is 2055.

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


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# Busting Myths

## About 2<sup>nd</sup> Wave of COVID-19



### MYTH

Hospitalisation  
is necessary  
after testing  
positive



### FACT

No, hospitalisation is not  
required for all cases.  
Asymptomatic and mild  
cases can be managed at  
home and do not require  
hospitalization

\*As per ICMR study of about 10,000 hospitalised patients

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# PIB'S BULLETIN ON COVID-19 (UPDATED)

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- **INS Tarkash brings medical oxygen consignment from Qatar**

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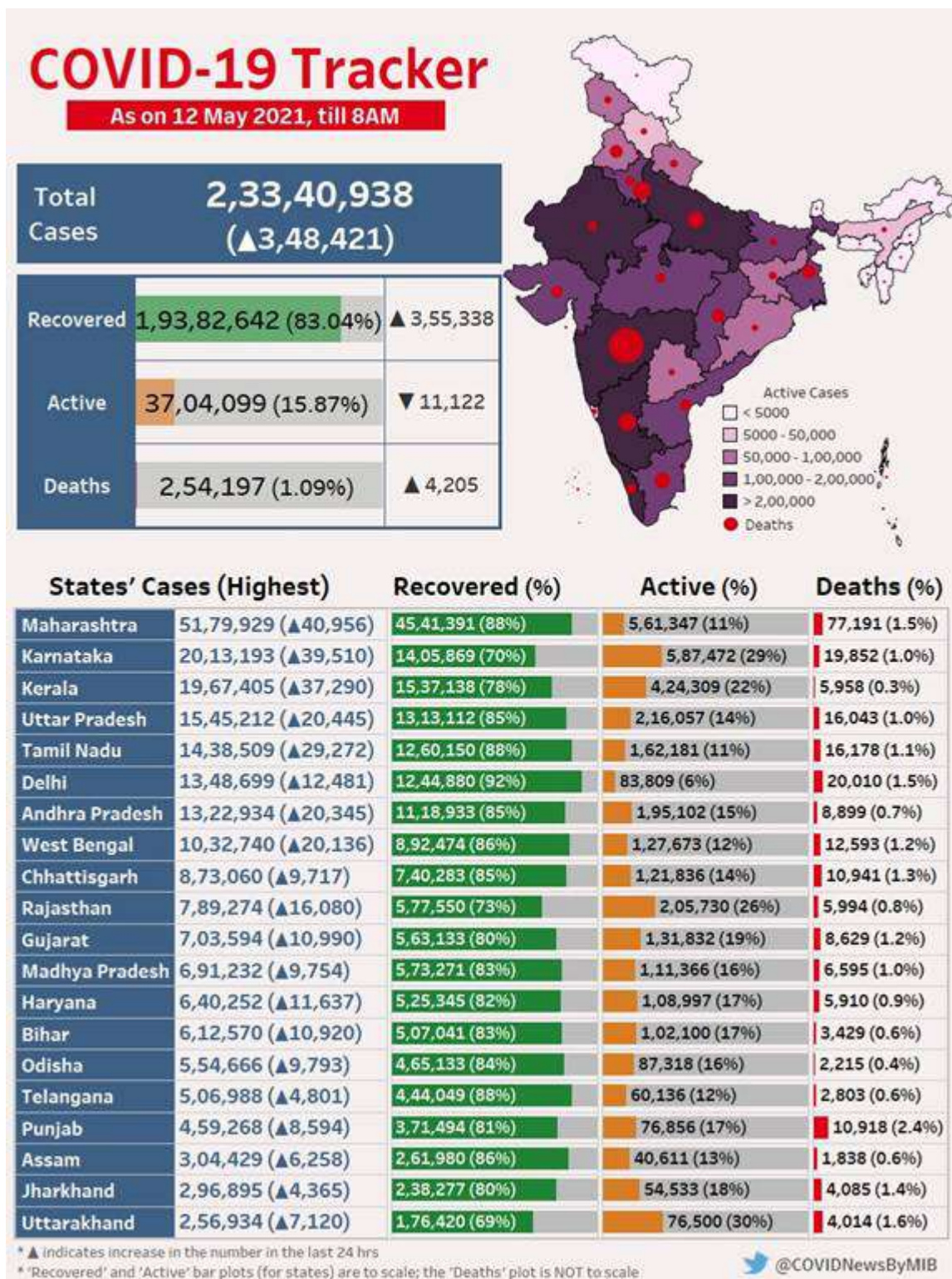
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## India's Active Caseload Declines for the Second Consecutive day

- New Recoveries outnumber Daily New COVID Cases for the Second Consecutive day
- India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 17.5 Crore
- More than 30 lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated so far
- The National Recovery Rate is 83.04%.
- The National Mortality Rate currently stands at 1.09%.



For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717870>

### **WHO has not associated the term “Indian Variant” with B.1.617, now classified as Variant of Concern**

This is to clarify that WHO has not associated the term “Indian Variant” with the B.1.617 variant of the coronavirus in its 32 page document.

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### **PM CARES Fund approves procurement of 1.5 lakh units of SpO2 based oxygen supply system developed by DRDO**

PM CARES Fund has accorded sanction for procurement of 1,50,000 units of ‘Oxycare’ system developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) at a cost of Rs 322.5 crore. Oxycare is a SpO2 based Oxygen Supply System which regulates the oxygen being administered to patients based on the sensed SpO2 levels. Under this sanction, 1,00,000 manual and 50,000 automatic Oxycare systems along with non-rebreather masks are being procured

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717917>

### **Swift Clearing and Apportioning of Global Aid by Government of India has strengthened Tertiary Medical Care across States and UTs for COVID management**

9,284 Oxygen Concentrators; 7,033 Oxygen Cylinders; 19 Oxygen Generation Plants; 5,933 ventilators/Bi PAP; ~3.44L Remdesivir vials delivered/ dispatched to increase Capacity of States/UTs

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717923>

### **Ministry of Power takes proactive measures to ensure 24x7 power supply to Oxygen Power Plants in the Country**

In view of the pan India impact of the second wave of corona virus pandemic across the country and the manifold rise in oxygen demand for both medical facilities and for home treatment of patients , the Ministry of Power has undertaken a number of pro-active preventive and remedial measures to ensure that there is uninterrupted power supply to Oxygen Plants by the State Utilities

**For Details:** <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717861>

### **Government take steps to ramp up availability of Amphotericin B - to fight Mucormycosis**

A sudden increase in demand has been observed in some states for Amphotericin B which is being actively prescribed by the physicians to patients suffering from Mucormycosis, a post COVID complication. The Government of India is therefore engaging with the manufacturers to ramp up production of the drug. The supply position is expected to improve with extra imports of this drug and increase in its production domestically.





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**Shri Piyush Goyal urges the countries to share Covid vaccines liberally with those who are in dire need of it, stating that Global solidarity is the need of the hour**

Shri Piyush Goyal today said that India feels much more comfortable in launching negotiations for a Balanced, Ambitious, Comprehensive, and Mutually Beneficial Agreement on trade & investment protection. Speaking at World Economic Forum's Global Trade Outlook Session, he said that Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) was not a balanced agreement as it would have hurt India's farmers, our MSMEs, dairy industry and therefore it was prudent for India not to join RCEP.

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**OPERATION SAMUDRA SETU II - INS TARKASH BRINGS MEDICAL OXYGEN CONSIGNMENT FROM QATAR**

INS Tarkash, with two Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) filled (20 MT each) cryogenic containers and 230 Oxygen cylinders embarked, arrived at Mumbai on 12 May 21.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1718006>

**Relentless efforts by Indian Air Force & Indian Navy to provide critical COVID-19 medical supplies**

Indian Air Force (IAF) and Indian Navy (IN) continue to work round the clock to provide oxygen and other medical supplies to the civil administration to tackle the current COVID-19 situation in the country. As on early hours of May 12, 2021, the aircraft of IAF airlifted 403 oxygen containers of 6,856 Metric Tonnes (MT) capacity along with other equipment of 163 MT capacity, in 634 sorties from different parts of the country.

For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717924>

**MNS officers at the forefront in battle against second COVID-19 wave**

Nursing Officers of Military Nursing Service (MNS) are among the health care professionals who are at the forefront in the nation's ongoing fight against the second COVID-19 wave. The officers are deployed at various Armed Forces hospitals to provide medical care to the COVID-19 patients. Two hundred and ninety-four MNS Officers are being mobilised for the newly-raised COVID-19 hospitals by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) at Delhi, Lucknow, Ahmedabad, Varanasi and Patna.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717918>

**100th Oxygen Express of Indian Railways delivers relief**

- 6260 MT of Oxygen delivered by 100 Oxygen Expresses
- Oxygen Expresses delivered nearly 800 MT of LMO to the Nation yesterday



- Oxygen relief by Oxygen Expresses reaches Uttarakhand, Karnataka, Maharashtra, MP, Haryana, Telangana, Rajasthan, Delhi & UP
- First Oxygen Expresses for Dehradun and Pune reach yesterday night with 120 MT & 55 MT of Medical Oxygen respectively
- 407 MT has been offloaded in Maharashtra, nearly 1680 MT in UP, 360 MT in MP, 939 MT in Haryana, 123 MT in Telangana, 40 MT in Rajasthan, 120 MT in Karnataka and more than 2404 MT in Delhi

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### **IMPORTANT TWEETS**

WHO does not identify viruses or variants with names of countries they are first reported from. We refer to them by their scientific names and request all to do the same for consistency. @PTI\_News @PIB\_India @ANI @timesofindia @htTweets @IndianExpress @the\_hindu @MoHFW\_INDIA

— WHO South-East Asia (@WHOSEARO) May 12, 2021

Some visuals of the airlift from Singapore. @HMOIndia @IAF\_MCC @PIB\_India @DDNewslive @airnewsalerts pic.twitter.com/vy2pjxlCMI

— Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 12, 2021

Another Swift Airlift !!

IL-76 with 3 cryogenic oxygen containers from Singapore enroute today for Panagarh Airbase. MHA is part of co-ord efforts with IAF, to increase container capacity needed for transporting Oxygen to Covid-19 hospitals.  
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— Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 12, 2021

The one who cares and nurses us to recovery, sometimes like a mother, at times like an elder 'sister'. My deep gratitude and kudos to the spirit of all the nurses who are the primary caretaker especially during these #COVID19 times.  
Thank You "Sister" 🙏 #InternationalNursesDay pic.twitter.com/mL15LaP4fw

— Prakash Javadekar (@PrakashJavdekar) May 12, 2021



## **INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES**

**Maharashtra:** After the state government's directive to divert all Covaxin stocks intended for the age group of 18 to 44 to the second dose of vaccination for those aged above 45, the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) said it would continue to vaccinate the younger age group with Covishield. The BMC is likely to reserve a couple of days in the coming week only for second dose vaccinations. Maharashtra's oxygen model is being appreciated at national level. State administration is following this model from mid-April and as a result, state has sufficient oxygen for medical use.

**Gujarat:** Gujarat government on Tuesday extended the night curfew in 36 cities of the state. The night curfew, which is in place from 8 pm to 6 am in 36 cities of Gujarat has been extended by another week till 18 May. Gujarat recorded 10,990 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday. According to the state health department, 15,198 patients recovered during the last 24 hours and were discharged from the hospitals. Maximum 3059 new cases were reported from Ahmedabad, while Surat recorded 790 new cases. Meanwhile, nearly 37,00,000 lakh persons have taken the second dose of Vaccine till now. 2,18,513 persons were vaccinated in the state yesterday.

**Rajasthan:** The dip in daily Covid-19 infections continued for a second consecutive day on Tuesday after the state reported 16,080 cases for the day. This stood at 16,487 and 17,921 cases on the two previous days. However, the number of daily deaths rose to 169, the highest for single day fatalities reported in the state. Also, active cases continued to rise and have reached 2,05,730 now. The State Government on Tuesday fixed the package fees for treatment of Covid patients admitted to private hospitals. In a bid to streamline the process of admitting Covid patients in hospitals, the medical and health department has issued a single helpline number, 181, for enquiries related to Covid from citizens across the state and asked state and district level war rooms to arrange ambulances and hospital admissions for serious patients.

**Madhya Pradesh:** Madhya Pradesh on Tuesday reported 9,754 fresh Covid-19 cases and 94 fatalities, taking the tally of infections to 6,91,232 and the toll to 6,595. A total of 9,517 patients were discharged from hospitals in the last 24 hours, taking the count of recoveries in Madhya Pradesh to 5,73,271. The state government has decided to build a COVID-19 hospital at its Justice Tankha Memorial Special School to incorporate the rising number of infected patients. The COVID-19 isolation hospital will have 40 beds which will admit the infected patients beyond the scope of home-isolation.

**Chhattisgarh:** Second wave of COVID-19 pandemic in Chhattisgarh is now on the downward slope. The rate of infection has significantly declined and the number of deaths due to COVID has also decreased. The availability of oxygen and beds in the hospitals of the state has also been increased, and the vaccination drive for every category is being conducted at an expedited pace. Chhattisgarh currently has a total of 31,295 beds in the dedicated COVID Hospital and COVID Care Centers - 2,953 ICUs, 1 570 HDUs and 9,954 oxygenated beds. And presently, 11,719 general beds, 6 thousand 284 oxygen beds, 684 HDUs, 783 ICUs and 297 ventilators are vacant.



**Goa:** Goa Government is planning to introduce Dura cylinders to be installed to augment Goa Medical College's oxygen supply. Each one of these cylinders has a capacity of at least 28 jumbo cylinders as they are filled with LMO instead of pressurised gas. Goa govt High Court today waived off the requirement of Covid negative certificate for two drivers and one helper per goods vehicle entering the state until further orders. However, such persons will have to be scanned by thermal gun to ascertain if they are displaying any symptoms. If they show symptoms, they will have to be denied permission to enter Goa.

**Kerala:** Lockdown guidelines have been revised in the state. The government has also mandated an RTPCR negative certificate for people entering Kerala from other states. The Negative report should not be older than 72 hours. In view of the Eid-ul-Fitr, meat shops have been permitted to function up to 10 pm for home delivery. Banks and other financial firms will remain closed on Saturday. The government plans to appoint all government employees and teachers living within the local body for Covid prevention activities, in that particular area. This follows the rapid surge in Covid infections. Kerala reported 37,290 new Covid cases on Tuesday. Presently, there are 4,23,957 active cases. TPR is 26.77%. Death toll has risen to 5,958. Meanwhile, a total of 81,72,453 people have taken vaccine so far in the state. Out of this 62,49,949 have taken first dose and 19,22,504 people second dose.

**Tamil Nadu:** TN Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on Wednesday announced Rs 25 lakh compensation to the families of 43 doctors who had lost their lives while on Covid-19 patient treatment duty. Stalin also announced incentives to those medical service personnel who were involved in treatment of Covid-19 patients. Following a meeting with industrialists and traders, on Sunday, the government, on Tuesday, announced a series of sops, including Rs 280 crore allotment to the MSME sector. The government on Tuesday announced relaxations in the functioning of fruit shops and stores selling Indian medicines. Tamil Nadu reported 29,272 more Covid cases on Tuesday, taking the total so far to 14,38,509. The number of deaths also continues to climb with 298 deaths. The tally now stands at 16,178. The State carried out 79,929 vaccinations on Tuesday. Till date 66,61,775 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 49,02,595 received first dose and 17,59,180 received second dose.

**Karnataka:** As per the State Government bulletin released for 11-05-2021, New Cases Reported: 39510; Total Active Cases: 587452; New Covid Deaths: 480; Total Covid Deaths: 19852. Around 1,26,806 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 1,07,59,572 have been vaccinated in the state till now. The first Oxygen Express train carrying 120 tonnes of liquid medical oxygen container from Jamshedpur, Jharkhand, arrived at the Whitefield ICD depot in the city on Tuesday. The government has decided to buy two-crore covid vaccine through a global tender to meet the growing vaccine demand in the state.

**Andhra Pradesh:** The state reported 20,345 new Covid-19 cases after testing 86,878 samples with 108 deaths, while 14,502 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 73,40,481 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 53,28,552 first doses and 20,11,929 second doses. Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy on Tuesday wrote a letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi over oxygen allocations and supply of vaccines. He also urged the Centre for transfer of technology in order to increase the production capacity of Bharat Biotech's Covaxin as the technology transfer is essential to produce 'large quantities' of vaccine. Post Ruia Hospital incident, the



Chief Minister instructed district collectors to set up oxygen war rooms in the districts along with SOS service for immediate action when an emergency arises. The State government also had appointed three senior IAS officials to coordinate with neighbouring states to ensure timely supply of liquid medical oxygen. Principal Secretary (Health) Anil Kumar Singhal informed that the government will ensure supply of Remdesivir injections adding that 22,399 vials were available in various government hospitals in the state.

**Telangana:** The State Government has decided to impose lockdown in the state for 10 days beginning today. It also decided to invite global tenders for procurement of Covid-19 vaccines. As many as 4,801 new Covid-19 infections and 32 fatalities were reported in the state yesterday (Tuesday) taking the cumulative number of deaths to 2,803 and the total caseload to 5,06,988. A total of 7,430 individuals have recovered yesterday with a recovery rate of 87.58 per cent. The number of Active Cases in the State now stands at 60,136.

**Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 459268. Number of active cases is 76856. Total Deaths reported is 10918. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 793017. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 232643. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2551747. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 405763.

**Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 640252. Total active COVID-19 patients are 108997. Number of deaths is 5910. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4593822.

**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases are 51857. Total number of Active Cases is 8625. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 585.

**Himachal Pradesh:** Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 140759. Total number of Active Cases is 36232. Total deaths reported till date is 1989.

**Assam:** A total of 6,258 COVID-19 positive cases were detected in Assam out of 68,572 tests with a positivity rate of 9.13% on Tuesday. Kamrup(M) has registered 1585 cases. 85 deaths have been registered. These are the highest single-day fatalities so far. A study by RMRC-Lahowal has found that the Indian variant B.1.617 of Covid-19, popularly known as the 'double mutant' strain, was spreading fast in Assam. While taking stock of the covid-19 situation in the state, CM of Assam Himanta Biswa Sarma emphasised stricter covid restrictions to arrest the rising cases of Coronavirus in Assam. The chief minister has directed for ensuring strict enforcement of restrictions to bring down positivity rate in the state. The Government of Japan and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) India have partnered to provide oxygen generation plants to the North Eastern Region in India.



**Manipur::**Manipur logged record 20 fatalities due to COVID-19, with 592 new positive cases. COVID-19 vaccination for Manipur journalists began in Imphal.

As per the latest updates, the cumulative number of people who have been vaccinated in the state reached 2,75,880.

**Meghalaya:**Meghalaya on Tuesday reported nine more COVID-19 deaths in addition to a record high of 450 new cases.DHS (MI), Dr Aman War informed that the total number of deaths in the state from the viral infection has gone upto 242 while the total number of active cases has shot up to 3,297.

**Sikkim:**8 more succumb to Covid, Sikkim's toll reaches 177: Meanwhile, Sikkim's tally of confirmed cases of COVID-19 crossed the10,000-mark and now stands at 10,165 with 241 new cases of novel coronavirus reported in the last 24 hours.Vaccination for 18+ to begin 16 May.

**Tripura:** In Tripura 11 death and 466 infections and 137 recoveries in last 24 hours. Ward number 5 and 46 of Agartala Municipal Corporation areas are likely to declared as Contaminated Zone.

**Nagaland:**Nagaland govt has imposed total lockdown in entire state from May 14 to May 21. The decision came amidst demands by CSOs to impose total lockdown in the state in view of the Covid surge and fatalities.Nagaland reported 269 new Covid cases and 5 deaths on Tuesday. Oxygen generation plant installed at Naga Health Authority, Kohima. Plant will become functional once the samples sent to a Delhi lab for testing gets approval.

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**The claims made in this tweet  
are factually **incorrect****



Shashi Tharoor ✓  
@ShashiTharoor

Disturbed to receive reports of a deteriorating #COVID situation in the Andamans, stories of 4-5 deaths daily at the GB Pant Hospital, figures of cases& deaths allegedly suppressed, no testing even of symptomatic cases, only 50 ventilators for 4 lakh people. Media daily went

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**Kaushik Vaidya** ✓  
@KaushikVaidya

Maharashtra Health Minister  
@rajeshtope11 says  
@drharshvardhan told him "we are  
lack stock to able to supply 2nd  
dose of #CovidVaccine to people in  
the state. If you have stock for 18-44  
that can be repurposed, please do  
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**Vaccine doses** administered in last **24 hours**

**More than 24 lakh**

**(24,46,674)**

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- 24 hour Recoveries outnumber Daily New COVID Cases after 61 days
- Decline of 30,016 in Active Caseload for the first time after two months
- Centre Reviews Progress of COVID Vaccination with States/UTs
- States to Prioritize 2nd Dose; allocate minimum of 70% of allocated Vaccines from Govt of India channel for 2nd Dose
- Worldwide Help being Viably Apportioned and Expeditiously Conveyed by Government of India to Tertiary Care Institutions across States and UTs for COVID management
- 9200 Oxygen Concentrators; 5243 Oxygen Cylinders; 19 Oxygen Generation Plants; 5913 ventilators/Bi PAP; ~3.44L Remdesivir vials delivered/ dispatched so far

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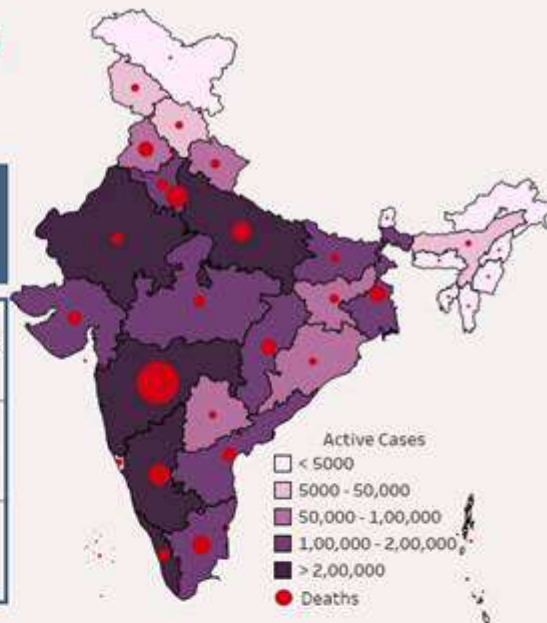




# COVID-19 Tracker

As on 11 May 2021, till 8AM

Total Cases	2,29,92,517 (▲3,29,942)
Recovered	1,90,27,304 (82.75%) ▲ 3,56,082
Active	37,15,221 (16.16%) ▼ 30,016
Deaths	2,49,992 (1.09%) ▲ 3,876



States' Cases (Highest)	Recovered (%)	Active (%)	Deaths (%)
Maharashtra 51,38,973 (▲37,236)	44,69,425 (87%)	5,93,150 (12%)	76,398 (1.5%)
Karnataka 19,73,683 (▲39,305)	13,83,285 (70%)	5,71,026 (29%)	19,372 (1.0%)
Kerala 19,30,115 (▲27,487)	15,04,160 (78%)	4,20,076 (22%)	5,879 (0.3%)
Uttar Pradesh 15,24,767 (▲21,277)	12,83,754 (84%)	2,25,271 (15%)	15,742 (1.0%)
Tamil Nadu 14,09,237 (▲28,978)	12,40,968 (88%)	1,52,389 (11%)	15,880 (1.1%)
Delhi 13,36,218 (▲12,651)	12,31,297 (92%)	85,258 (6%)	19,663 (1.5%)
Andhra Pradesh 13,02,589 (▲14,986)	11,04,431 (85%)	1,89,367 (15%)	8,791 (0.7%)
West Bengal 10,12,604 (▲19,445)	8,73,480 (86%)	1,26,663 (13%)	12,461 (1.2%)
Chhattisgarh 8,63,343 (▲11,867)	7,27,497 (84%)	1,25,104 (14%)	10,742 (1.2%)
Rajasthan 7,73,194 (▲16,487)	5,64,352 (73%)	2,03,017 (26%)	5,825 (0.8%)
Gujarat 6,92,604 (▲11,592)	5,47,935 (79%)	1,36,158 (20%)	8,511 (1.2%)
Madhya Pradesh 6,81,478 (▲9,715)	5,63,754 (83%)	1,11,223 (16%)	6,501 (1.0%)
Haryana 6,28,615 (▲12,718)	5,09,617 (81%)	1,13,232 (18%)	5,766 (0.9%)
Bihar 6,01,650 (▲10,174)	4,93,189 (82%)	1,05,104 (17%)	3,357 (0.6%)
Odisha 5,44,873 (▲10,031)	4,57,569 (84%)	85,107 (16%)	2,197 (0.4%)
Telangana 5,02,187 (▲4,826)	4,36,619 (87%)	62,797 (13%)	2,771 (0.6%)
Punjab 4,50,674 (▲8,549)	3,64,170 (81%)	75,800 (17%)	10,704 (2.4%)
Assam 2,98,171 (▲5,803)	2,57,571 (86%)	38,847 (13%)	1,753 (0.6%)
Jharkhand 2,92,530 (▲6,187)	2,30,646 (79%)	57,902 (20%)	3,982 (1.4%)
Uttarakhand 2,49,814 (▲5,541)	1,71,438 (69%)	74,480 (30%)	3,896 (1.6%)

\* ▲ 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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COVID-19 Vaccine

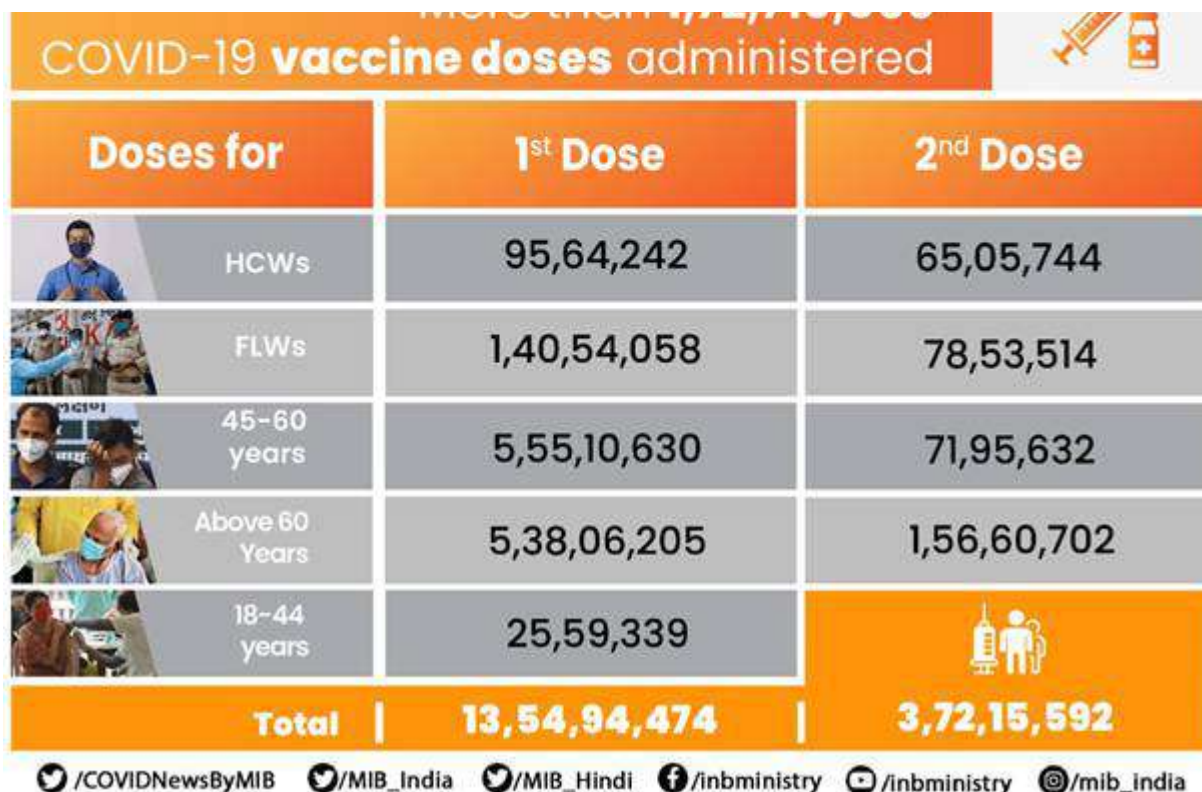
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COVID-19 Vaccination Status

(As on 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 | 07:00 AM)

More than 1,72,710,000





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**Centre Reviews Progress of COVID Vaccination with States/UTs; States to Prioritize 2nd Dose; allocate minimum of 70% of allocated Vaccines from Govt of India channel for 2nd Dose**

Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Union Health Secretary and Dr. R S Sharma, Chairman of Empowered Group on Technology and Data Management to combat COVID-19 and member, National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration of COVID-19 reviewed the status of COVID vaccination with Health Secretaries and NHM MDs of States and UTs, through a video conference (VC) today. One of the largest such exercises globally, the countrywide COVID19 vaccination programme was launched on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2021. It has been widely expanded to include citizens above 18 years of age from 1st of May, 2021 with implementation of the Liberalised Pricing & Accelerated National COVID-19 Vaccination strategy.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717649>

**Worldwide Help being Viably Apportioned and Expeditiously Conveyed by Government of India to Tertiary Care Institutions across States and UTs for COVID management**



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### **24 hour Recoveries outnumber Daily New COVID Cases after 61 days; Decline of 30,016 in Active Caseload for the first time after two months**

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- Decline of 30,016 in Active Caseload for the first time after two months
- More than 25.5 lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated so far
- The National Recovery Rate is **82.75%**.
- The National Mortality Rate currently stands at **1.09%**.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717593>

### **Telephone Conversation between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Dr. Lotay Tshering, Prime Minister of Bhutan**

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi had a telephone conversation today with the Prime Minister of Bhutan, Lyonchhen Dr. Lotay Tshering.

The Bhutan Prime Minister expressed solidarity with the Government and the people of India in their efforts against the recent wave of COVID-19 pandemic. Prime Minister conveyed his sincere thanks to the people and Government of Bhutan for their good wishes and support.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717611>

### **PM salutes scientists on National Technology Day**

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has praised the scientists and those passionate about technology on National Technology Day.

In a series of tweets, the Prime Minister said:



“On National Technology Day, we salute the hardwork and tenacity of our scientists and those passionate about technology. We remember with pride the 1998 Pokhran Tests, which demonstrated India’s scientific and technological prowess.

In any challenging situation, our scientists and innovators have always risen to the occasion and worked to mitigate the challenge. Over the last year, they have worked industriously to fight COVID-19. I appreciate their spirit and remarkable zeal.”

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717597>

### **Uttarakhand set to become 9th State to receive Oxygen Express from Indian Railways**

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 nearly 5735 MT of LMO in more than 375 tankers to various states across the country. Yesterday Oxygen Expresses delivered 755 MT of LMO to the Nation. More than 90 Oxygen Expresses have already completed their journey so far. Till the time of this release 293MT of LMO has been offloaded in Maharashtra, nearly 1630 MT in UP, 340 MT in MP, 812 MT in Haryana, 123 MT in Telangana, 40 MT in Rajasthan, 120 MT in Karnataka and more than 2383 MT in Delhi. Stations near Dehradun (Uttarakhand) & Pune (Maharashtra) are also set to receive their First Oxygen Express.

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### **Oil and Gas PSUs helping in providing transportation solutions for Liquid Oxygen**

Oil and Gas PSUs under the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India, acting as responsible corporate citizens, are extending their helping hand to support the nation in its efforts to combat the second wave of the COVID 19 pandemic. In this regard, they are specifically working to find transportation solutions for Liquid Oxygen.

Presently, there are 12 tankers and 20 ISO Containers with the capacity of 650 MT. The figure is going to improve substantively, with the numbers likely to go up to 26 tankers and 117 ISO containers by the end of this month, with the capacity of 2314 MT. 95 ISO Containers are being purchased, with a capacity of 1940 Metric Tonne. Orders have already been placed for 30 ISO Containers, with the capacity of 650 MT while negotiations are underway for the remaining containers.

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### **Ministry of Panchayati Raj writes to States on preventive measures to curb the spread of COVID 19 in rural India**

The Union Ministry of Panchayati Raj has written to all the State Governments to take preventive measures to curb the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic in rural India. To combat COVID 19, the Ministry in its letter has suggested States to sensitize and facilitate the Panchayats/Rural Local Bodies towards meeting the challenge and provide leadership.



The Ministry has advised to undertake an intensive communication campaign for the awareness of rural communities on the nature of the COVID infection and preventive and mitigation measures, in accordance with the advice of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), doctors and medical institutions etc., while especially taking care to dispel false notions and beliefs.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717682>

### **Ministry of Women and Child Development engages with Indian Academy of Pediatrics to provide expert care to children at Govt. Child Care Institutions**

Union Minister of Women and Child Development, Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani has said that with a view to provide expert care to children residing at Govt. Child Care Institutions (CCI) across the country, Ministry of Women and Child Development is engaging with Indian Academy of Pediatrics. In a series of tweets, she informed, “this will be in addition to medical care provided to children under scheme for Child Protection Services”. The minister tweeted, “Care-takers / Child Protection Officers even from remotest corners of the country will be able to avail this telemedicine service by expert Pediatricians every afternoon 6 days a week. Thousands of children across more than 2000 CCIs will benefit through this service.”

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717642>

### **Experts & Stakeholders discuss COVID Resurgence – S&T Perspective**

Experts from wide range of disciplines came forward on one common virtual platform to discuss the best approach to address the state of emergency of **COVID crisis** at a meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021. The online meeting “**Addressing COVID Resurgence – S&T Perspective**” organised by **Technology Information, Forecasting and Assessment Council (TIFAC)**, an autonomous body of **Department of Science and Technology (DST)** brought together scientists, doctors, drug manufacturers, industry and policy makers brainstormed on ways to check the spread of the virus.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717628>

### **Joint CSR COVID- relief initiatives of NSFDC AND NBCFDC of M/o Social Justice & Empowerment**

During the second wave of Covid-19 Pandemic (April-May 2021) as part of Joint CSR initiative of National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation and National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (PSUs of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, GOI) are conducting the following activities for providing relief to Covid – 19 patients and needy people affected due to lockdown.

1. Food distribution Programme:
2. Provision of Medical Equipments to treat Covid-19 patients:

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717645>





**IMPORTANT TWEETS****Actions taken to address logistical challenges**

1. 408 Argon and Nitrogen tankers converted
  2. 101 tankers imported and 150 to come.
  3. 100 tankers being manufactured domestically
  4. Turn around time reduced
  5. 81 tankers with capacity of 1,407 MT imported. [pic.twitter.com/qA5YkOlqA6](https://pic.twitter.com/qA5YkOlqA6)
- Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 11, 2021

Oxygen Digital Tracking System for real time monitoring has been put in place. Movements of tankers being monitored through this. @HMOIndia @PIB\_India @DDNewslive @airnewsalerts @ANI [pic.twitter.com/9HEE4o7atk](https://pic.twitter.com/9HEE4o7atk)

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Glimpses of yoga & meditation sessions by ITBP stress counsellors for Covid-19 patients at Sardar Patel Covid Care Centre, Radha Soami Beas, Chhatarpur, New Delhi. Patients say it gives positivity & strength. So far 1,065 patients have been treated by the Centre since 26 April, 2021 [pic.twitter.com/yOLcJrbUpD](https://pic.twitter.com/yOLcJrbUpD)

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.@MoPR\_GOI writes to States on preventive measures to curb the spread of #COVID19 in rural India

Intensive communication campaign to be undertaken for awareness of rural communities

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pic.twitter.com/rYwsxEC8br

— PIB Panchayati Raj (@PIB\_MoPR) May 11, 2021

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### **INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD UNITS**



**Kerala:** State Health Minister K K Shailaja says the government is working hard to prevent deaths due to Oxygen shortage. She said the state should be able to fully utilize the oxygen produced in Kerala and the present problem can be solved if the central quota is also obtained. The Minister also denied the allegation that Covid death toll is being covered up, as all panchayats are registering the accurate figure. Meanwhile, the test positivity rate in 72 panchayats in the state is above 50 percent. The TPR in 300 panchayats remain above 30 percent. The state yesterday saw a slight dip in daily Covid cases as it recorded 27,487 cases and 65 deaths. 31,209 recoveries were also reported. There are now 4,19,726 active cases. TPR is 27.56%. A total of 81,17,973 people have been vaccinated so far. Out of this, 62,30,926 took first dose and 18,87,047 second dose.

**Tamil Nadu:** Madras High Court asks Centre to augment Oxygen, vaccine, drugs supply to TN and Puducherry. Several private hospitals in the city have, of late, been forced to send back patients admitted to their wards as there has been oxygen shortage. With 23 patients passing away due to Covid in the last 24 hours, the Covid death toll in Puducherry touched 988; a total of 1,266 new cases were reported from the UT and 1,108 patients recovered from the disease in the last 24 hours. Tamil Nadu reported 28,978 new cases taking the total to 14,09,237. There are 1,52,389 active cases in the State, including 35,153 in Chennai. The current positivity rate in the State stands close to 19.5 per cent. Till date 65,87,081 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 48,72,906 received first dose and 17,14,175 received second dose.

**Karnataka:** New Cases Reported: 39305; Total Active Cases: 571006; New Covid Deaths: 596; Total Covid Deaths: 19372. Around 80,823 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 1,06,08,539 having been vaccinated in the state till now. The first 'Oxygen Express' train carrying 120 tonnes of oxygen which left Jamshedpur, Jharkhand will arrive in Whitefield, Bangalore on Tuesday. Journalists and media personnel to be officially considered as Covid Front Line Warriors and free vaccine to those over the age of 18. Karnataka received 400 oxygen concentrators, 10 thousand oximeters from the US Salesforce, to address the oxygen shortage due to Corona.

**Andhra Pradesh:** State reported 14,986 new Covid-19 cases after testing 60,124 samples with 84 deaths, while 16,167 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 73,10,220 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 53,27,494 first doses and 19,82,726 second doses. The state directly purchased five lakh doses from the Serum Institute of India and Bharat Biotech and is now awaiting the delivery of the second tranche of 12 lakh doses. Eleven patients died and the condition of at least five others was critical after oxygen supply was disrupted for some time at Ruia Government Hospital in Tirupati last night.

**Telangana:** A total of 2031 people of various categories received first dose and 1,06,359 second dose of Covid vaccine yesterday (Monday) in the state. Now, the cumulative number of people who have received the first dose in the state stands at 43,73,338 and second dose at 9,38,344. Meanwhile, the state has reported 4,826 new Covid cases and 32 fatalities on Monday taking the cumulative number of deaths



in the state to 2,771 and the total number of positive cases to 5,02,187. The number of Active Cases in the state stands at 62,797. On Monday, 7,754 individuals have recovered from the virus with a recovery rate of 86.94 per cent.

**Maharashtra:** Maharashtra Health Minister Rajesh Tope has said that patients of Mucormycosis will be treated free of cost under Mahatma Phule Jan Arogya Yojana of the state. Cases of mucormycosis are rising among COVID-19 survivors, causing blindness or serious illness and even death in some cases and the health department of Maharashtra has taken serious note of it.

Maharashtra on Monday registered less than 40,000 (37,236 to be exact) new cases of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) and 549 related fatalities, taking the caseload and death toll to 5,138,973 and 76,398 respectively.

**Gujarat:** Gujarat has recorded 11,592 new cases of Covid19 yesterday. According to the state health department, 14,931 patients recovered during the last 24 hours and were discharged from the hospitals. The recovery rate in Gujarat has improved and reached up to 79.11 percent. Maximum 3194 new cases reported from Ahmedabad, while Surat recorded 823 new cases. 117 patients lost their lives yesterday. 2,07,700 persons were vaccinated in the state yesterday. Gujarat has vaccinated more than 1,37,00,000 persons till now. Gujarat government has suspended the state transport bus services with Rajasthan for 15 days.

**Rajasthan:** Two Oxygen Generation plants received by the Government of India as COVID assistance from the UK have reached Rajasthan. One of these plants will be set up at Satellite Hospital in Ajmer. The second plant will be set up in Jhalawar district. After setting up these plants having 500 liter capacity, the state will get extra medical oxygen for COVID patients. Covid vaccination for the 18-44 age group is likely to gain momentum from Monday as the state has received 3.50 lakh vials of Covishield, which have already been distributed in all the 33 districts.

State Government has given its nod to purchase Covaxin besides being in touch with Russia to import Sputnik vaccine.

**Madhya Pradesh:** Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said on Monday that the positivity rate of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) is declining in the entire state but added that people should be careful in this long fight against the pandemic. Amid a surge in coronavirus positive cases in rural areas and towns in Madhya Pradesh, the state government on Monday decided to set up crisis management groups to ensure the effective implementation of the pandemic guidelines and related directives. Madhya Pradesh on Monday reported 9,715 fresh coronavirus positive cases and 81 deaths, taking the tally of infections to 6,81,478 and the toll to 6,501. A total of 7,324 patients were discharged from hospitals in the last 24 hours, taking the count of recoveries in Madhya Pradesh to 5,63,754, the department said.





**Chhattisgarh:** In Chhattisgarh, COVID situation is significantly improving. The state's positivity rate is on a steady decline for the last six days. Chhattisgarh has recorded a decline in positivity rate during the last one week. This is for the first time after about a month that the positivity rate has fallen below twenty percent. So far, about 7,25,000 corona infected patients have recovered after treatment. Till now, a total of 59,35,994 vaccines have been administered in the state to protect against corona.

**Goa:** All people above 18 years in Goa will be given Ivermectin drug irrespective of their coronavirus status to bring down mortality, state Health Minister Vishwajit Rane said on Monday. Amid increasing allegations of several deaths due to lack of oxygen in GMC, CM Pramod Sawant visited GMC Hospital to take stock of the situation. CM Goa Shri Pramod Sawant warned private hospitals against refusing to honour DDSSY cards to treat Covid patients. Private hospitals can't deny free Covid treatment under DDSSY, said CM and assured to take action against the hospital if he received any complaint to this effect. Goa govt assured High Court today to ban all including residents of Goa from entering Goa without Covid negative certificate issued within 72 hours or full vaccination certificate.

**Assam:** 77 people lost their lives due to COVID-19 infection in the state on Monday. The state recorded 5,803 new infections in 72,197 tests done, the positivity rate being 8.04 percent. Kamrup (Metro) recorded 1,481 positive cases and 30 deaths.

The HS first year examination 2021, which was earlier postponed due to rise in COVID-19 cases, has been cancelled by the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council, promoting all the students to HS second year.

**Manipur:** 424 more test positive as virus continues to spread. Covid claims 13 more to take total tally to 489. In view of the sudden surge in COVID-19 cases in the district, Kangpokpi CSO COVID Task Force was formed on Monday, following a meeting held at KSO administrative office building at Kangpokpi DHQs. The Kangpokpi CSO COVID Task Force was formed with an aim to assist the district administration, district police, medical department and other frontline workers in the fight against the dreaded pandemic.

**Meghalaya:** Another 409 Covid-19 infections were reported in the state on Monday, along with five new fatalities. As COVID-19 cases increased in the district, the Deputy Commissioner of South West Khasi Hills, has imposed weekend lockdown in the entire district from 5 am of May 15 to 5 am of May 17.

**Sikkim:** With no RT-PCR testing carried out on Sunday since that is the day that both of Sikkim's VRD Labs take a day off, the daily caseload of novel coronavirus artificially came down to 46.

**Tripura:** 4 Covid deaths; 133 tested positive. Total Active case stand at 2599. Meanwhile Rapid Antigen Tests have started in those wards of Agartala where positivity is high. Special test centres have been set up in the Clubs that are located in those areas.



**Nagaland:** Ten more deaths on Monday took Nagaland's total number of fatalities to 140. State reported 133 new cases, 1884 active cases and total positive cases to 16,283. A total of 2,29,704 persons have been inoculated with Covid vaccine in Nagaland till date. Of them, 1,79,767 have received their first doses while 49,937 have received their second doses. Nagaland govt has warned of punishment under Epidemic Disease Act, 1897 against persons concealing their Covid status and those not co-operating with the authorities.

### **PIB FACT CHECK**

Should patients with mild symptoms take steroids at early stage?#PIBFactCheck  
Taking steroids during early stage of #Covid19 can further replicate the #Virus.

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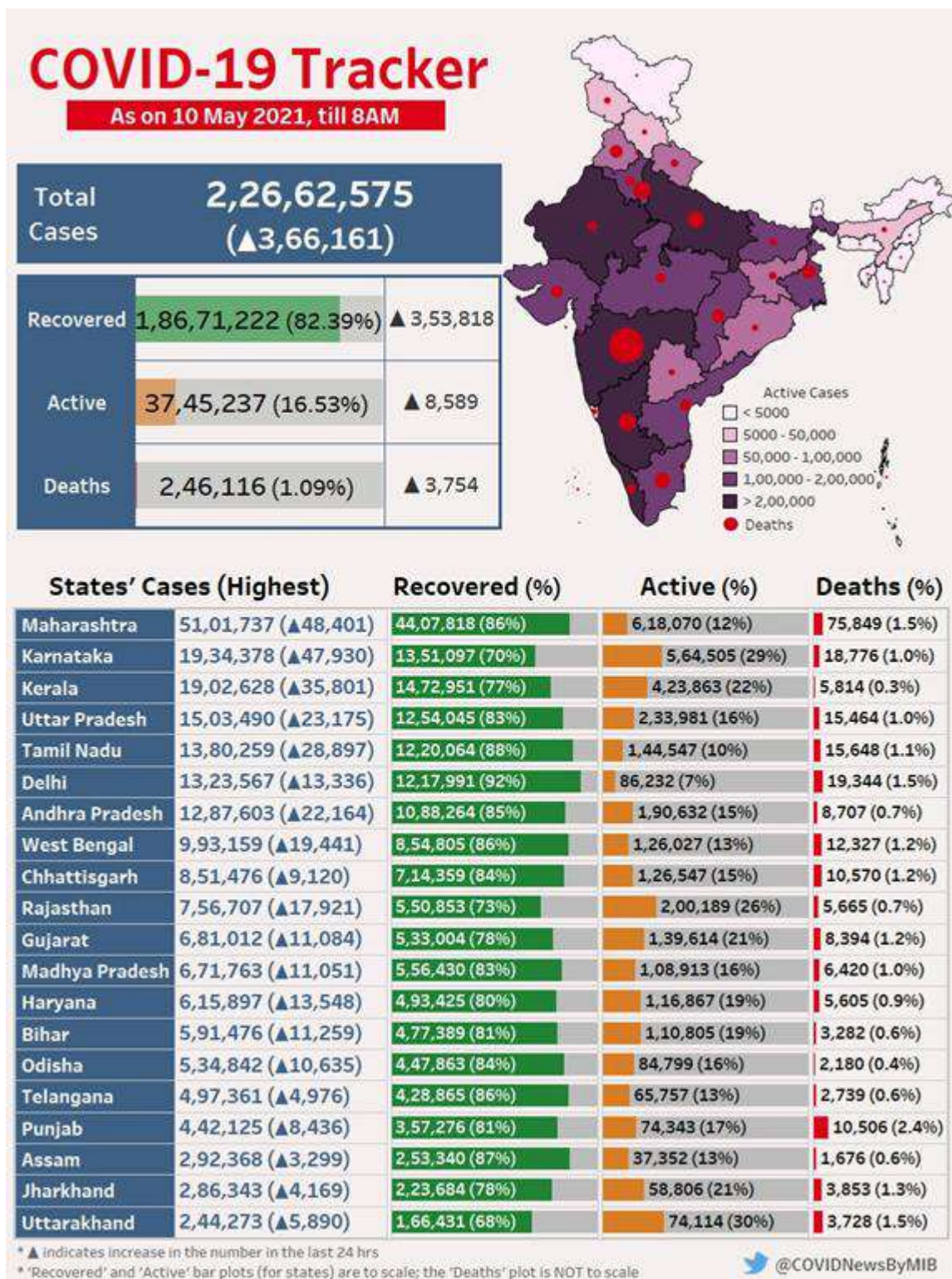
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- Average daily recovery of more than 3.28 lakh cases recorded in last 10 days
- The National Mortality Rate has been falling and currently stands at **1.09%**.
- **Three States/UTs have not reported any COVID-19 deaths in the last 24 hours.** These are D&D & D&N, Arunachal Pradesh and Lakshadweep.
- For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717365>

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**INS Airavat with Critical Medical Stores Including Cryogenic Oxygen Tanks and Oxygen Cylinders from Singapore arrives in Visakhapatnam**

As part of the ongoing Op 'Samudra Setu' II to support the nation's fight against Covid-19, INS Airavat arrived in Visakhapatnam on 10 May 21 with 08 Cryogenic Oxygen Tanks and other critical COVID Medical Stores including 3898 Oxygen Cylinders from Singapore. The ship departed Singapore on 05 May with Oxygen tanks and cylinders were sourced through various agencies in coordination with the High Commission of India.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717452>

### **Indian Air Force & Indian Navy working on war footing in fight against second COVID-19 wave**

Indian Air Force (IAF) and Indian Navy (IN) are working tirelessly to provide logistic support to shore up medical supplies to tackle the current Covid-19 situation. As on early hours of May 10, 2021, the IAF aircraft carried out 534 sorties from various parts of the country, airlifting 336 oxygen containers of total capacity of 6,420 Metric Tonnes (MT) and other medical supplies and equipment. The cities covered are Jamnagar, Bhopal, Chandigarh, Panagarh, Indore, Ranchi, Agra, Jodhpur, Begumpet, Bhubaneswar, Pune, Surat, Raipur, Udaipur, Mumbai, Lucknow, Nagpur, Gwalior, Vijayawada, Baroda, Dimapur and Hindan.

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### **Oxygen availability increased through higher production and imports, setting up of PSA Plants, and Procurement of Oxygen Concentrators; Oxygen Digital Tracking System setup for real time monitoring**

In order to address the surge in demand for oxygen, the Central Government has undertaken key measures to increase the availability, streamline the distribution and strengthen the oxygen storage infrastructure in the country. The steps undertaken focused on the entire oxygen supply chain. These include efforts for improving oxygen production, enhancing tanker availability to optimize logistics, improving oxygen storage at the last mile, and easing norms of procurement.

Oxygen availability has been enhanced by increase in Production Capacity and production, setting up of Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) Plants, import of Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) from Overseas, and Procurement of Oxygen Concentrators. For enhancing tanker availability to streamline transportation, Nitrogen and Argon tankers have been converted, tankers and containers have been imported, domestic manufacturing of tankers increased, and rail and air transportation of tankers is being undertaken to reduce turn-around time. Oxygen Digital Tracking System (ODTS) has been setup for real time monitoring, and driver availability is being enhanced with training of MHV drivers. For improving oxygen storage, number & capacity of cryogenic tankers at hospitals is being enhanced and Medical Oxygen cylinders are being procured. Relaxation of General Financial Rules (GFR) has been undertaken to enable faster procurement of critical supplies.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717459>

### **Indian naval ship trikanth arrives at mumbai as part of op samudra setu ii**



As part of Operation Samudra Setu II, Indian Naval Ship Trikanth was deployed to augment shipment of Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) cryogenic containers from Hamad Port, Qatar to Mumbai. The ship entered Qatar on 05 May 21 and arrived at Mumbai on 10 May 21 with 40 MT liquid Oxygen.

The consignment carried is part of the French mission "Oxygen Solidarity Bridge" to support India's fight against COVID-19 pandemic. This was the maiden voyage of transshipping of French Air Liquide containers from Qatar to India. The Indo-French initiative, facilitated by Dr Deepak Mittal, Ambassador of India in Qatar, is likely to result in shipping of over 600 MT LMO to India over the next two months.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717443>

### **Factually incorrect to state no provision for expenditure on COVID-19 vaccination by the Central Government: Finance Ministry**

This is with reference to the media report in 'The Print' entitled "The reality of Modi Government's vaccine funding: Rs. 35,000 crore for States, zero for Centre."

**It is factually incorrect to state that there is no provision for expenditure on COVID-19 vaccination by the Central Government. The amount of Rs. 35,000 crore has been shown under the Demand for Grants No. 40, titled 'Transfers to States'. Vaccines have actually been, and are being, procured by and paid for by the Centre through this head of account. The use of this Demand for Grants has several administrative advantages. Firstly, because expenditure on vaccine is one-off expenditure outside the normal Centrally Sponsored Schemes of the Health Ministry, separate funding ensures easy monitoring and management of these funds. Also, this grant is exempted from the quarterly expenditure control restrictions applicable to other demands.**

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717405>

### **DGFT's COVID-19 Helpdesk coordinating and resolving International Trade related Issues**

In view of the surge in COVID-19 cases, the 'Covid-19 Helpdesk' of Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) in the Department of Commerce has from 26.04.2021 onwards started collecting information on the difficulties being faced by exporting community so as to examine and resolve the irritants faced by the trade & industry expeditiously..

Various issues relating to Department of Commerce/DGFT, Import and Export Licensing Issues, Customs clearance delays and complexities arising thereon, Import/Export documentation issues, Banking matters, Transport/Port Handling/Shipping/Air Movement issues and availability of manpower for running export units etc. are the key areas being examined by the Helpdesk. Trade related issues concerning other Ministries/Departments/Agencies of Central Government and State Governments are being collated and are being taken up for resolution with the concerned agencies.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717428>

### **Ranchi Airport contributes in the fight against Corona; Movement of medical essentials completed without delay**



Airports of the country are geared up to deal with the Corona pandemic and are making their humble contribution to fight against the disaster and support the country. Ranchi Airport is also facilitating the movement of medical equipment and materials such as oxygen tankers, oxygen concentrators, Nozzle, COVID-19 vaccine, injections, test kits and medicines. It is also being ensured by the airport management that the movement of the essential materials is completed on priority without any delay.

The mission at Birsa Munda Airport, Ranchi to overcome the oxygen crisis for the country started from April 24, and till 8<sup>th</sup> May 2021, a total of 139 oxygen tankers in 100 aircrafts of the Indian Air Force have been transported. The Indian Air Force aircraft like C 17, C 130J, AN 32, IL 76 and other small aircraft have been helping in the transportation of essential material at regular intervals.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717474>

### **ESIC installs oxygen plants at two hospitals in Delhi NCR; will facilitate augmentation of critical care facility in these hospitals**

The ESIC under the Ministry of Labour and Employment has installed oxygen generation plants at two hospitals in Delhi NCR area. A 440 LPM capacity plant has been installed at the ESIC Hospital and Medical College in Faridabad, while another plant of 220 LPM capacity was commissioned at ESIC Hospital in Jhilmil, New Delhi yesterday. This will enable these hospitals to augment the availability of their ICU and Ventilator beds.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717301>

### **IMPORTANT TWEETS**

INS Kolkata reaches @NewMngPort with 40 MT oxygen filled tanks with additional 5 tons of oxygen cylinders & 4 high flow O2 concentrators from Kuwait.

All Major Ports are clearing Oxygen related cargo on utmost priority#Unite2FightCorona pic.twitter.com/ypBKepAldw

— Mansukh Mandaviya (@mansukhmandviya) May 10, 2021

80 MT of Medical Oxygen reaches JNPT today from Jebel Ali , UAE

@JNPort handled the Oxygen Cargo on utmost priority basis.  
#Unite2FightCorona pic.twitter.com/078hOlCXYx

— Mansukh Mandaviya (@mansukhmandviya) May 10, 2021





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Indian Naval Ship Trikanth arrives at Mumbai as part of #SamudraSetu-II

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IL 76 of IAF left Jakarta for Vizag carrying 2 cryogenic oxygen containers needed during the 2nd wave of Covid-19. MHA and IAF are co-ordinating the air lift. @HMOIndia @IAF\_MCC @PIB\_India @DDNewsLive @airnewsalerts @ANI pic.twitter.com/JzM3FAluzq

— Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 10, 2021

### **INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD UNITS**

**Assam:** 48 people lost their lives due to COVID-19 infection in the state on Sunday. The state recorded 3,299 new infections in 36,135 tests done, the positivity rate being 9.13 percent. Kamrup (Metro) recorded 1,346 positive cases.

The Guwahati High Court has sought details of children staying in prisons in the state. The court also wanted to know as to how many of the inmates have been infected by coronavirus and also about the measures the jail authorities have taken to take care of such Jail inmates.

**Manipur:** Manipur recorded 579 new COVID-19 positive cases and 15 deaths on Sunday. As per the latest updates, the cumulative number of people who have been vaccinated in the state reached 2,65,921. State has received 50 additional oxygen concentrator machines.

**Meghalaya:** The state recorded a high of 18 deaths and 418 fresh COVID-19 cases in 24 hours. The total active cases stand at 2,899 while the death toll has risen to 228. The Mawkhair Dorbar Shnong has set an example for other localities on how to encourage their residents to take the COVID-19 vaccine.

Along with a team of doctors, the Rangbah Dong of each block conducted a door-to-door survey to find out how many people above 45 years had taken the first jab of the vaccine. Mawkhair's Assistant Rangbah Shnong, R. Sutnga told The Shillong Times that the decision to conduct the survey was taken after only three residents had turned up for a vaccination programme at the community hall.

**Sikkim:** Test positivity rate shows signs of plateauing, but Covid beds filling up; Sikkim has recorded 227 new cases and two more Covid deaths. The number of active cases of novel coronavirus in Sikkim has

reached 2,637.

Sikkim CM visited Rangpo and Melli check post to take stock of preparedness pertaining to Covid management.

**Tripura:** 351 new infections and one death in the last 24 hours. Meanwhile 6 municipal wards to be declared as containment zone which are having high positivity rate informed Tripura CM who yesterday also visited covid care centres in south and Gomati district.

**Nagaland:** Nagaland recorded 237 new Covid cases, and 3 deaths on Sunday. A total of 2,25,361 eligible beneficiaries have been inoculated with Covid vaccine in Nagaland so far. Of them, 1,77,113 have received first doses while 48,248 have received second doses. Private hospitals suggest setting up of dedicated Covid care centre instead of earmarking 50% beds in private hospitals. Oxygen plant being installed at Dimapur District Hospital likely to be functional by Tuesday. Health Dept officials visited the site on Sunday.

**Kerala:** 3.5 lakh doses of Covishield vaccine purchased by the state government to combat the Covid-19 pandemic arrived in the state today. Order has been placed for over one crore doses of vaccine to accelerate the vaccination drive in the state. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan has said the Covid-19 vaccination drive for those in the age group of 18-45 would be prioritised with people having comorbidities given preference. In the wake of rising number of Covid cases in jails, the government has decided to grant parole to 1500 convicted and 350 remand prisoners. Taking into consideration, the growing number of health workers getting infected, the Kerala Government Medical officers Association has urged the government to reduce their duty hours and also make available vaccine to the immediate relatives of health workers. The state registered 35,801 new Covid cases on Sunday. The death toll mounted to 5814 with 68 new fatalities. TPR is at 28.88 %. Meanwhile, a total of 80,21,530 people has so far been vaccinated in the state. 62,04,805 people took first dose and 18,16,725 had their second jab.

**Tamil Nadu:** Oxygen production from the Sterlite plant in Tuticorin is likely to start from Wednesday, thus helping 7 to 8 districts of South Tamil Nadu getting ample stock of gaseous Oxygen. The State government on Sunday made an appeal to various industries in the state to produce medical oxygen under the CSR scheme. With State announcing lockdown from today, migrant workers thronged bus stands flouting Covid norms; despite the operation of special buses ahead of lockdown on Saturday and Sunday, it proved inadequate to meet the surging crowd. Tamil Nadu's reported 28,897 fresh cases on Sunday, pushing the total caseload to 13.80 lakh while 236 deaths in the last 24 hours took the toll to 15,648. Till date 64,99,349 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 48,42,616 received first dose and 16,56,733 received second dose.

**Puducherry** on Sunday recorded 26 Covid-related deaths, which is the highest in a single day so far, taking its total toll to 965. The UT also recorded 1633 fresh cases in a single day, taking the total number of cases to 71,709.

**Karnataka:** The State has issued fresh guidelines for hospitalisation, transfer, discharge of Covid-19 patients; as per the order, in government Covid-19 hospitals, the patient shall be admitted as per the existing state protocol. The state government is mulling action against illegal oxygen hoarders. Vehicles prohibited to ply during 14-day lockdown in Karnataka, police given power to seize. As per the State



Government bulletin released for 09-05-2021, New Cases Reported: 47930; Total Active Cases: 564485; New Covid Deaths: 490; Total Covid Deaths: 18776. Around 32,590 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 1,05,21,773 have been vaccinated in the state till now.

**Andhra Pradesh:** State reported 22,164 new Covid-19 cases after testing 1,05,494 samples with 92 deaths, while 18,832 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 73,08,217 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 53,26,721 first doses and 19,81,496 second doses. The vaccination process has been temporarily halted for two days across the State after the government seriously considering the incidents of congestion and crowding at vaccination centers. It was ordered that the ASHA workers to deliver the token slips with detailed information on vaccination to people waiting for their second dose. The government stated that it had received 3.6 lakh doses of the Covishield vaccine on Sunday. Health Commissioner Katamneni Bhaskar, in a statement, said that the NHAI has agreed to set up 42 oxygen plants in the State. Meanwhile, the State government too has allocated Rs.309.87 crore for setting up of oxygen manufacturing plants. It has been decided that the Eastern Naval Command will operate and maintain oxygen plants in all government and teaching hospitals across the state.

**Telangana:** The State has reported 4,976 new Covid infections and 35 fatalities on Sunday taking the cumulative number of deaths to 2,739 and the total number of positive cases to 4,97,361. CM KCR reviewed the Covid situation in the state yesterday and directed officials to invite applications from about 50,000 eligible doctors who have completed MBBS across the State for joining public service on a temporary basis. It was also decided in the review meeting to recruit nurses, lab technicians, pharmacists and other paramedical personnel for a period of two to three months and utilise their services in Covid-19 treatment. Besides providing them appropriate salaries, the Chief Minister said the government would give due recognition to their service by providing them additional weightage marks during recruitment into government jobs in future.

**Maharashtra:** Maharashtra has witnessed a significant dip in new cases today after the state recorded 5,204 fewer cases in comparison with Saturday's numbers. Yesterday, the state has reported 53,605 cases in the 24-hour period.

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated a Covid Care Center with 50 isolation bed capacity in South Nagpur. Run by Madhyam Lokseva Pratishthan, Jain Kalar Samaj and Maratha Yuva Samaj, this centre will provide free facilities to patients having mild symptoms of Covid. This centre at Reshimbagh currently has 50 isolation beds. Maharashtra on Sunday received a total 1,053,000 doses of Covishield vaccines, of which 350,000 were purchased from the Serum Institute of India for vaccination of 18-44 category.

**Gujarat:** Gujarat recorded 11,084 new cases of Covid-19 yesterday. 14,770 patients recovered during the past 24 hours and were discharged from the hospitals. The recovery rate in Gujarat has improved and reached up to 78.27 percent.

1,38,590 persons were vaccinated in the state yesterday. Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation has announced another drive through vaccination centre for 45 plus age group at Drive in Cinema from today.

**Rajasthan:** A two week long Lockdown has been imposed in Rajasthan from 5 am today. The lock down will be effective till 24th May. There will be a ban on marriage ceremonies in the state till May 31. Only registered marriages attended by not more than 11 people will be allowed. Except for medical emergencies, no inter-district, intercity, city to villages or villages to city travel will be allowed during the

lockdown. All places of worship will remain closed. Food, vegetable and fruit shops are allowed to open from 6 AM to 11 AM. All types of private and government transport are not allowed except emergency services in the state. MNREGA works have been postponed to prevent infection in rural areas.

**Madhya Pradesh:** Madhya Pradesh had 11051 cases yesterday, which is the second consecutive day of cases below 12000 level. Infection rate in the state is down to 17% now. However the number of active cases have risen for the past two days and stand at 1,02,486 now. Bhopal had 1556 and Indore had 1679 cases yesterday. In Bhopal curfew has been extended till 17th May. 10% attendance is mandated in all offices. All shops including kirana, vegetables are closed and only home delivery (with 10% staffing) will continue. In Indore too curfew is extended till 16th May.

**Chhattisgarh:** In Chhattisgarh, journalists and lawyers and their family members will also be considered as frontline workers and will be given priority in Covid vaccination. The Chhattisgarh government has decided that not more than ten persons will be allowed to attend marriage ceremonies or funeral in view of spread of COVID infection. The state government has also appealed to religious and social heads to motivate people not to participate in any religious or social events.

**Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 442125. Number of active cases is 74343. Total Deaths reported is 10506. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 758425. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 221811. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2503995. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 349814.

**Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 615897. Total active COVID-19 patients are 116867. Number of deaths is 5605. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4360128.

**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases are 50207. Total number of Active Cases is 8511. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 568.

**Himachal Pradesh:** Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 131423. Total number of Active Cases is 32469. Total deaths reported till date is 1872.

### **PIB FACT CHECK**







Government has **not** approved  
Bharat Biotech's vaccine for  
children above 12 years

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COVID-19 VACCINE  
**Mythbusters**

**MYTH**

There is no need to wear a mask or take precautions after getting vaccinated

**FACT**

Even when vaccinated, one must follow Covid precautions like wearing mask and maintaining physical distance



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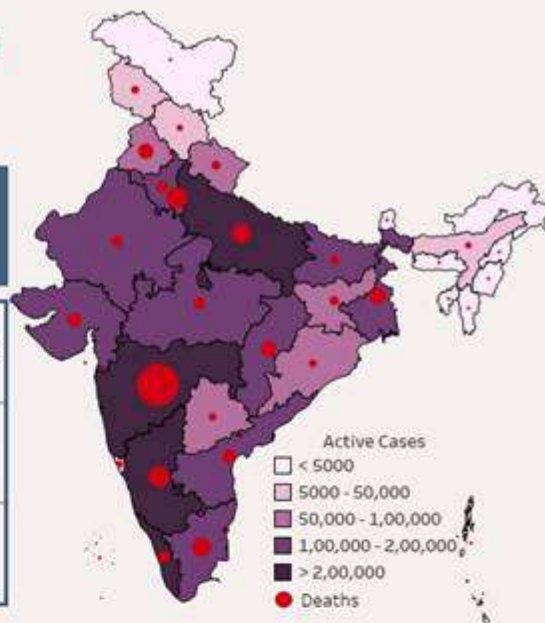


# COVID-19 Tracker

As on 9 May 2021, till 8AM

**Total Cases** **2,22,96,414**  
(▲4,03,738)

Recovered	1,83,17,404 (82.15%)	▲ 3,86,444
Active	37,36,648 (16.76%)	▲ 13,202
Deaths	2,42,362 (1.09%)	▲ 4,092



States' Cases (Highest)	Recovered (%)	Active (%)	Deaths (%)	
Maharashtra	50,53,336 (▲56,578)	<div><div></div></div> 43,47,592 (86%)	<div><div></div></div> 6,30,467 (12%)	<div><div></div></div> 75,277 (1.5%)
Karnataka	18,86,448 (▲47,563)	<div><div></div></div> 13,19,301 (70%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,48,861 (29%)	<div><div></div></div> 18,286 (1.0%)
Kerala	18,66,827 (▲41,971)	<div><div></div></div> 14,43,633 (77%)	<div><div></div></div> 4,17,448 (22%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,746 (0.3%)
Uttar Pradesh	14,80,315 (▲26,636)	<div><div></div></div> 12,19,409 (82%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,45,736 (17%)	<div><div></div></div> 15,170 (1.0%)
Tamil Nadu	13,51,362 (▲27,397)	<div><div></div></div> 11,96,549 (89%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,39,401 (10%)	<div><div></div></div> 15,412 (1.1%)
Delhi	13,10,231 (▲17,364)	<div><div></div></div> 12,03,253 (92%)	<div><div></div></div> 87,907 (7%)	<div><div></div></div> 19,071 (1.5%)
Andhra Pradesh	12,65,439 (▲20,065)	<div><div></div></div> 10,69,432 (85%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,87,392 (15%)	<div><div></div></div> 8,615 (0.7%)
West Bengal	9,73,718 (▲19,436)	<div><div></div></div> 8,36,351 (86%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,25,164 (13%)	<div><div></div></div> 12,203 (1.3%)
Chhattisgarh	8,42,356 (▲12,239)	<div><div></div></div> 7,01,116 (83%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,30,859 (16%)	<div><div></div></div> 10,381 (1.2%)
Rajasthan	7,38,786 (▲17,987)	<div><div></div></div> 5,33,973 (72%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,99,307 (27%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,506 (0.7%)
Gujarat	6,69,928 (▲11,892)	<div><div></div></div> 5,18,234 (77%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,43,421 (21%)	<div><div></div></div> 8,273 (1.2%)
Madhya Pradesh	6,60,712 (▲11,598)	<div><div></div></div> 5,51,892 (84%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,02,486 (16%)	<div><div></div></div> 6,334 (1.0%)
Haryana	6,02,349 (▲14,667)	<div><div></div></div> 4,80,786 (80%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,16,109 (19%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,454 (0.9%)
Bihar	5,80,217 (▲12,948)	<div><div></div></div> 4,64,025 (80%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,12,977 (19%)	<div><div></div></div> 3,215 (0.6%)
Odisha	5,24,207 (▲11,807)	<div><div></div></div> 4,39,322 (84%)	<div><div></div></div> 82,724 (16%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,161 (0.4%)
Telangana	4,92,385 (▲5,186)	<div><div></div></div> 4,21,219 (86%)	<div><div></div></div> 68,462 (14%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,704 (0.5%)
Punjab	4,33,689 (▲9,042)	<div><div></div></div> 3,51,426 (81%)	<div><div></div></div> 71,948 (17%)	<div><div></div></div> 10,315 (2.4%)
Assam	2,89,069 (▲5,756)	<div><div></div></div> 2,49,295 (86%)	<div><div></div></div> 38,146 (13%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,628 (0.6%)
Jharkhand	2,82,174 (▲6,112)	<div><div></div></div> 2,17,223 (77%)	<div><div></div></div> 61,195 (22%)	<div><div></div></div> 3,756 (1.3%)
Uttarakhand	2,38,383 (▲8,390)	<div><div></div></div> 1,63,661 (69%)	<div><div></div></div> 71,174 (30%)	<div><div></div></div> 3,548 (1.5%)

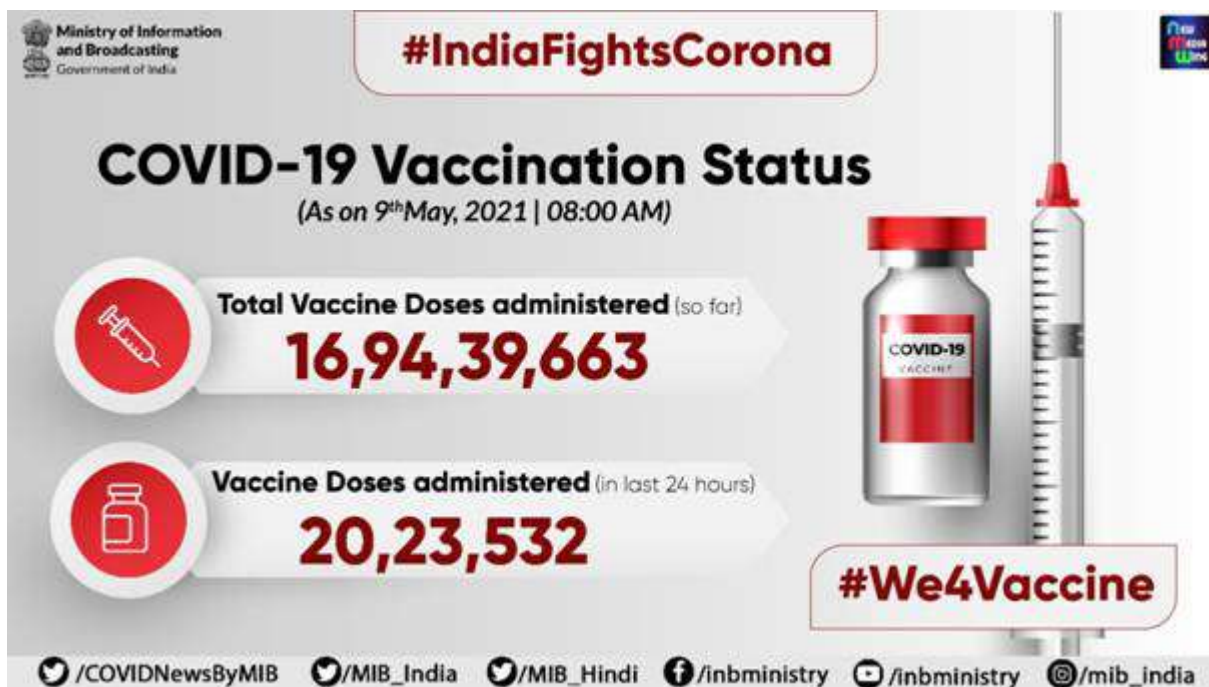
\* ▲ indicates increase in the number in the last 24 hrs

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

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More than 72 lakh doses are still available with the States/UTs to be administered

Over 46 Lakh doses in addition will be received by the States/UTs in the next 3 days

**For Details:** <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717176>

**Global Aid including 14 Oxygen Plants and more than 3 L Remdesivir Vials proactively cleared and rushed to States/UTs to combat COVID-19**

- 6,608 Oxygen Concentrators, 3,856 Oxygen Cylinders, 14 Oxygen Generation Plants, 4,330 ventilators/ Bi PAP/ C PAP and more than 3L Remdesivir vials have been delivered/ dispatched, so far.
- The cumulative number of COVID19 vaccine doses administered in the country has exceeded **16.94 Cr** today as the Phase-3 of the nationwide Vaccination Drive expands further.
- **4,03,738** new cases were registered in the last 24 hours.
- Ten States reported **71.75%** of the new cases in last 24 hours.
- The National Mortality Rate has been falling and currently stands at 1.09%.

For Details :<https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717184>

**IAF COVID AIR SUPPORT MANAGEMENT CELL (CASMC) OPERATIONS**

The IAF is operating a Covid Air Support Management Cell (CASMC) at Palam Air Base since 27 Apr 21. The primary task of the cell is to efficiently coordinate for the distribution of all the relief aid coming from foreign countries. The cell is operational round the clock. Resources have been coordinated to cater for surge operations which include manpower, ground handling and loading eqpt and vehicles like flat top trailers and fork lifters.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717241>



**Nearly 4200 MT Oxygen delivered by Oxygen Expresses to Maharashtra, MP, Haryana, Rajasthan, Delhi, & UP**

So far, Indian Railways has delivered nearly 4200 MT of LMO in more than 268 tankers to various states across the country. 68 Oxygen Expresses have already completed their journey so far.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717245>

**DG AFMS gets nod to recruit Ex-AMC/SSC medical officers**

The Ministry of Defence has issued an order to Directorate General Armed Forces Medical Services (DG AFMS) for recruitment of Ex-Army Medical Corps (AMC)/Short Service Commission (SSC) medical officers. Under the 'Tour of Duty' scheme, 400 ex-AMC/SSC medical officers, released between 2017 and 2021, are expected to be recruited on contract basis for a maximum period of 11 months.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717178>

**IOA, MYAS and SAI come together to provide support to ex-international athletes and coaches amid ongoing Covid-19**

In a bid to ensure that ex-international athletes and coaches have access to medical, financial and logistical support during Covid 19, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS), Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and the Sports Authority of India (SAI) have joined hands to create a special support cell.

For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717175>

**Free Distribution of AYUSH-64 at 7 Delhi locations from Monday**

As a token of its commitment to serve the out of hospital COVID patients, the Ministry of Ayush has started free distribution of AYUSH 64 at many locations in Delhi since last Saturday. From Monday onwards, many more centres will become operational. Those COVID-19 patients who are in home isolation or are staying at some government/NGO arranged isolation centres can benefit from this initiative of the Ministry of Ayush.

Patients or their representatives can visit these centres with the hard or soft copies of patient's RT PCR positive report and Aadhar Card to get a free pack of AYUSH 64 tablets. Replenishment, if and when required, will also be provided free of cost.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717242>

**IREDA and NHPC vaccinate over 300 employees**

A two day free COVID vaccination camp was jointly organised by Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd. (IREDA) and NHPC Ltd central Public Sector Undertakings under Ministry of Power for the 18-44 age group employees on 7th and 8th May at IREDA's Corporate Office, New Delhi.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717146>



**Transporting Hope: Delivery of medical cargo continues uninterrupted from Kolkata Airport**

The nation is fighting a severe battle against the Corona Virus and in this crisis period supply of medical essentials like Vaccines, Oxygen Concentrators, Oximeter and other essentials are of utmost importance. In this fight, The Ministry of Civil Aviation and various airports and airlines and their corona warriors are playing their role by ensuring uninterrupted supply of all the medical essentials coming in or going out of various cities/states. Kolkata Airport is playing key role in this fight against Covid-19.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717256>

**Centre releases Rs. 8923.8 crore to Panchayats in 25 States; Release of grant advanced in view of COVID-19 pandemic**

The Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, yesterday released an amount of Rs. 8,923.8 crore to 25 States for providing grants to the Rural Local Bodies (RLBs). The grants are meant for all the three tiers of Panchayati Raj Institutions – village, block and district.

The amount released on Saturday is the first instalment of the 'Untied Grants' for the year 2021-22. It may be utilised by the RLBs, among other things, for various prevention and mitigation measures needed to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. Thus, it will augment resources to the three tiers of Panchayats for fighting the contagion. The state-wise amount of the grant released is enclosed.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717165>

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Taking forward our Comprehensive Strategic Partnership. Consignment of 3 O2 generators & 1,000 ventilators arrives from UK. Each generator has capacity to produce 500 litres of O2/min, enough to treat 50 people at a time. #Unite2FightCorona #StayHomeStaySafe [pic.twitter.com/Z8q66n8E0C](https://pic.twitter.com/Z8q66n8E0C)

— #IndiaFightsCorona (@COVIDNewsByMIB) May 9, 2021

दावा: एक मैसेज में दावा किया जा रहा है कि लंबे समय तक मास्क के उपयोग से शरीर में कार्बन डाइऑक्साइड की अधिकता और ऑक्सीजन की कमी हो जाती है। #PIBFactCheck: यह दावा #फ़र्ज़ी है। #कोरोनावायरस के संक्रमण से बचाव के लिए सही तरीके से मास्क जरूर लगाएं। [pic.twitter.com/ziSDpPOnhL](https://pic.twitter.com/ziSDpPOnhL)

— PIB Fact Check (@PIBFactCheck) May 8, 2021



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**चाय पीने से कोरोना संक्रमण से बचाव व स्वस्थ होने का कोई वैज्ञानिक प्रमाण नहीं है**

## ख़ूब चाय पीओ व पिलाओ, चाय पीने वालों के लिए खुश ख़बरी

अमेरिका के विख्यात CNN NEWS CHANNEL के अनुसार, चीन के विख्यात कोरोना वायरस विशेषज्ञ Dr Li Wenliang अपनी मृत्यु के पूर्व यह कह गये हैं कि केमिकल Methylxanthine, Theobromine एवं Theophylline कोरोना वायरस को मार सकते हैं और ये तीनों केमिकल ही चाय में पाये जाते हैं। इसलिये यदि कोई दिन में तीन कप चाय पीते हैं, तो वे कोरोना वायरस से संक्रमित नहीं होंगे अथवा यदि कोई संक्रमित व्यक्ति चाय पीते हैं तो कुछ ही दिनों में वे संक्रमण मुक्त हो जायेंगे। इस सत्य को

Dr Li Wenliang ने कोरोना रोगियों की History Study का अध्ययन करके सिद्ध कर दिया है। सत्य उजागर करने के लिये चीन सरकार ने उन्हें सजा भी दी थी। इस का विषय यह है कि Dr Li Wenliang की मृत्यु कोरोना वायरस से हुई थी। चाय के अन्दर जो केमिकल Methylxanthine, Theobromine और Theophylline पाये जाते हैं, वे चीन के हुवान शहर में कोरोना रोगियों को तीन कप चाय पिलाई जाती थी। तभी आज हुवान कोरोना मुक्त हो पाया है।

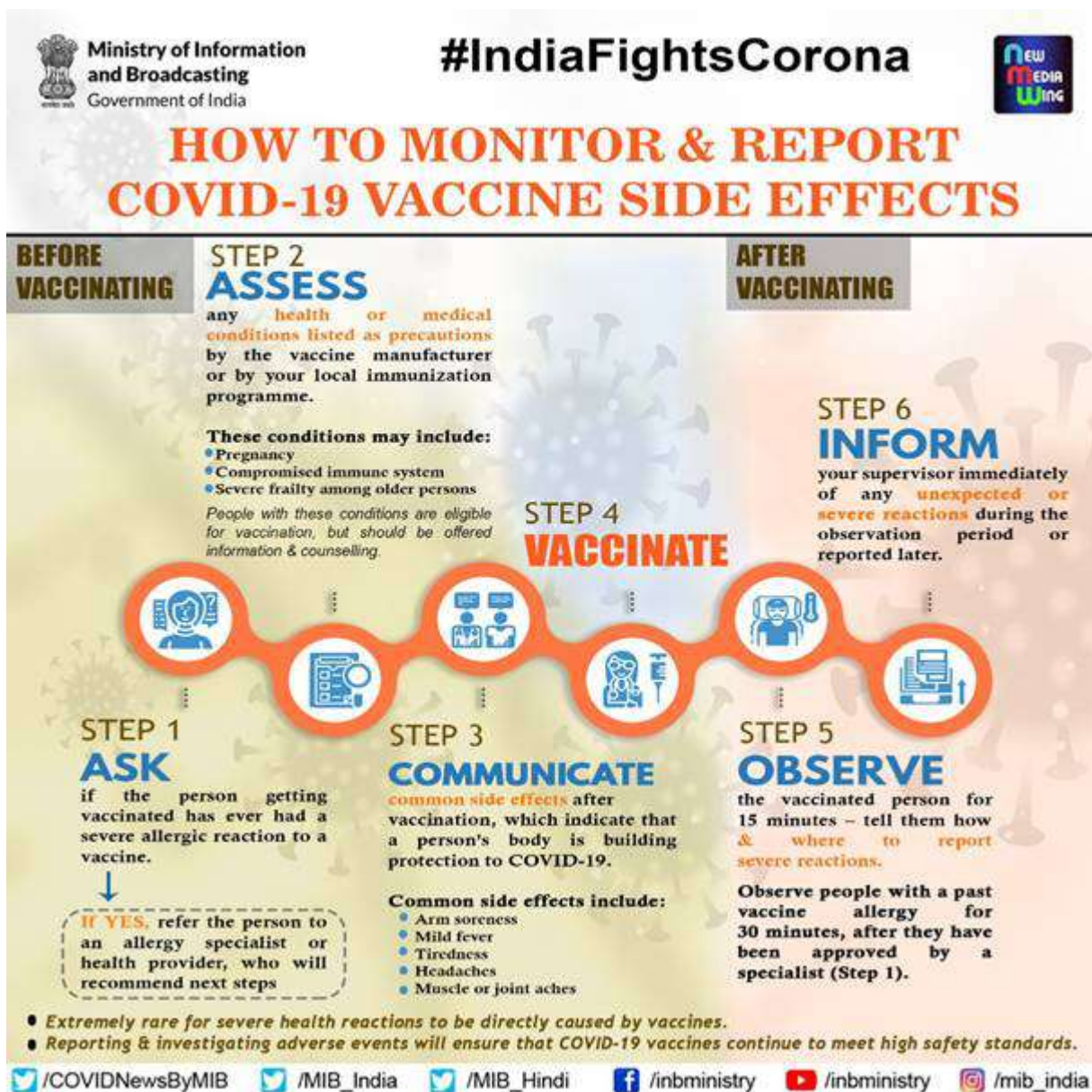


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# PIB'S BULLETIN ON COVID-19

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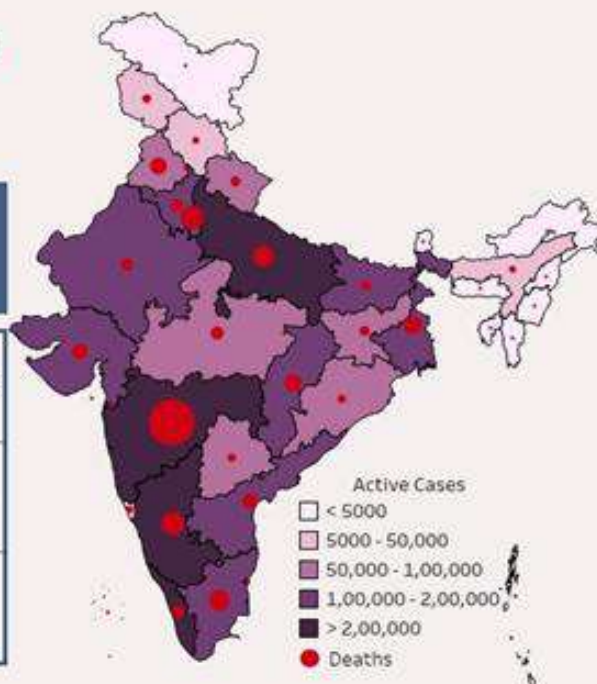




# COVID-19 Tracker

As on 8 May 2021, till 8AM

Total Cases	2,18,92,676 (▲4,01,078)
Recovered	1,79,30,960 (81.90%) ▲ 3,18,609
Active	37,23,446 (17.01%) ▲ 78,282
Deaths	2,38,270 (1.09%) ▲ 4,187



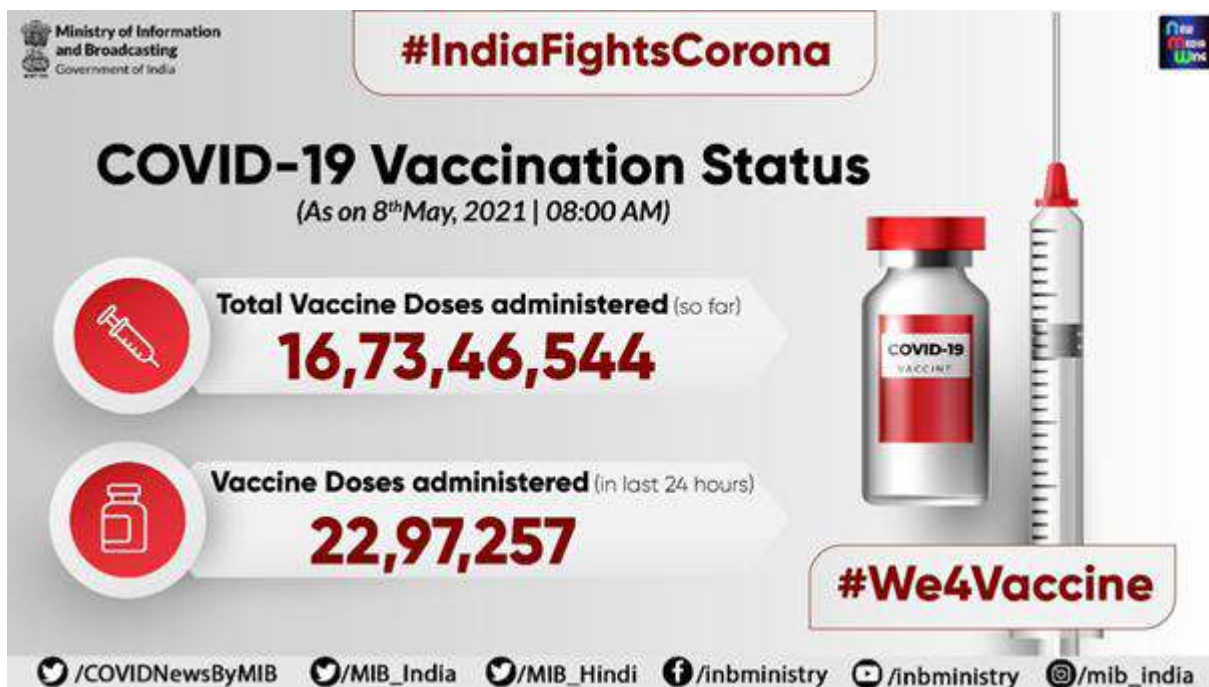
States' Cases (Highest)		Recovered (%)	Active (%)	Deaths (%)
Maharashtra	49,96,758 (▲54,022)	<div><div>42,65,326 (85%)</div></div>	<div><div>6,57,019 (13%)</div></div>	<div><div>74,413 (1.5%)</div></div>
Karnataka	18,38,885 (▲48,781)	<div><div>12,84,420 (70%)</div></div>	<div><div>5,36,661 (29%)</div></div>	<div><div>17,804 (1.0%)</div></div>
Kerala	18,24,856 (▲38,460)	<div><div>14,16,177 (78%)</div></div>	<div><div>4,02,997 (22%)</div></div>	<div><div>5,682 (0.3%)</div></div>
Uttar Pradesh	14,53,679 (▲27,763)	<div><div>11,84,688 (81%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,54,118 (17%)</div></div>	<div><div>14,873 (1.0%)</div></div>
Tamil Nadu	13,23,965 (▲26,465)	<div><div>11,73,439 (89%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,35,355 (10%)</div></div>	<div><div>15,171 (1.1%)</div></div>
Delhi	12,92,867 (▲19,832)	<div><div>11,83,093 (92%)</div></div>	<div><div>91,035 (7%)</div></div>	<div><div>18,739 (1.4%)</div></div>
Andhra Pradesh	12,45,374 (▲17,188)	<div><div>10,50,160 (84%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,86,695 (15%)</div></div>	<div><div>8,519 (0.7%)</div></div>
West Bengal	9,54,282 (▲19,216)	<div><div>8,18,108 (86%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,24,098 (13%)</div></div>	<div><div>12,076 (1.3%)</div></div>
Chhattisgarh	8,30,117 (▲13,628)	<div><div>6,88,918 (83%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,31,041 (16%)</div></div>	<div><div>10,158 (1.2%)</div></div>
Rajasthan	7,20,799 (▲18,231)	<div><div>5,16,306 (72%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,99,147 (28%)</div></div>	<div><div>5,346 (0.7%)</div></div>
Gujarat	6,58,036 (▲12,064)	<div><div>5,03,497 (77%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,46,385 (22%)</div></div>	<div><div>8,154 (1.2%)</div></div>
Madhya Pradesh	6,49,114 (▲11,708)	<div><div>5,47,447 (84%)</div></div>	<div><div>95,423 (15%)</div></div>	<div><div>6,244 (1.0%)</div></div>
Haryana	5,87,682 (▲13,867)	<div><div>4,66,420 (79%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,15,963 (20%)</div></div>	<div><div>5,299 (0.9%)</div></div>
Bihar	5,67,269 (▲13,466)	<div><div>4,49,063 (79%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,15,067 (20%)</div></div>	<div><div>3,139 (0.6%)</div></div>
Odisha	5,12,400 (▲12,238)	<div><div>4,31,658 (84%)</div></div>	<div><div>78,602 (15%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,140 (0.4%)</div></div>
Telangana	4,87,199 (▲5,559)	<div><div>4,13,225 (85%)</div></div>	<div><div>71,308 (15%)</div></div>	<div><div>2,666 (0.5%)</div></div>
Punjab	4,24,647 (▲8,297)	<div><div>3,44,779 (81%)</div></div>	<div><div>69,724 (16%)</div></div>	<div><div>10,144 (2.4%)</div></div>
Assam	2,83,313 (▲5,626)	<div><div>2,46,242 (87%)</div></div>	<div><div>35,493 (13%)</div></div>	<div><div>1,578 (0.6%)</div></div>
Jharkhand	2,76,062 (▲5,973)	<div><div>2,11,270 (77%)</div></div>	<div><div>61,177 (22%)</div></div>	<div><div>3,615 (1.3%)</div></div>
Uttarakhand	2,29,993 (▲9,642)	<div><div>1,58,872 (69%)</div></div>	<div><div>67,691 (29%)</div></div>	<div><div>3,430 (1.5%)</div></div>

\* ▲ 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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**Global Aid reaching Tertiary Care Institutions in States/UTs to supplement their infrastructure through Effective and Prompt Allocation and Delivery by the Union Government**

- India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 16.73 Crore as the Nationwide Vaccination Drive expands
- More than 14.8 Lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated under Phase-3 of Vaccination Drive
- On a steady streak, over 3.18 Lakh Recoveries in the last 24 hours
- **Nearly 23 lakh vaccination doses were administered in the last 24 hours.**
- **Three States/UTs have not reported any COVID19 deaths in the last 24 hours.** These are D&D & D&N, Mizoram and A&N Islands.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716991>

**Dr Harsh Vardhan chairs 25th meeting of Group of Ministers (GOM) on COVID-19**

Appeals to citizens to not skip 2nd dose of COVID Vaccine. Detailed report on Ramping up of Clinical Infrastructure and Supply of Medical Oxygen presented

For Details : <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717014>

**DCGI approves anti-COVID drug developed by DRDO for emergency use**





An anti-COVID-19 therapeutic application of the drug 2-deoxy-D-glucose (2-DG) has been developed by Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences (INMAS), a lab of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), in collaboration with Dr Reddy's Laboratories (DRL), Hyderabad. Clinical trial results have shown that this molecule helps in faster recovery of hospitalised patients and reduces supplemental oxygen dependence. Higher proportion of patients treated with 2-DG showed RT-PCR negative conversion in COVID patients. The drug will be of immense benefit to the people suffering from COVID-19.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717007>

### **Positive Test for COVID-19 virus Now Not Mandatory for Admission to a COVID Health Facility**

- a. Requirement of a positive test for COVID-19 virus is not mandatory for admission to a COVID health facility. A suspect case shall be admitted to the suspect ward of CCC, DCHC or DHC as the case may be.
- b. No patient will be refused services on any count. This includes medications such as oxygen or essential drugs even if the patient belongs to a different city.
- c. No patient shall be refused admission on the ground that he/she is not able to produce a valid identity card that does not belong to the city where the hospital is located.
- d. Admissions to hospital must be based on need. It should be ensured that beds are not occupied by persons who do not need hospitalization. Further, the discharge should be strictly in accordance with the revised discharge policy available at <https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/ReviseddischargePolicyforCOVID19.pdf>

For Details : <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717009>

### **Govt. of India has so far provided more than 17.49 crore vaccine doses to States/UTs Free of Cost**

More than 84 lakh doses are still available with the States/UTs to be administered. Over 53 Lakh doses in addition will be received by the States/UTs in the next 3 days

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716980>

### **Company-wise supply plan of Remdesivir for 21st April to 16th May 2021**

The Company-wise supply plan of Remdesivir for the period 21st April to 16th May 2021 has been issued to States/UTs. The plan has been prepared in consultation with the marketing companies. The companies have been instructed to ensure timely supplies to all states/ UTs strictly as per the supply plan.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716977>



**Covid Care Coaches as Isolation Units are now functional in 17 diverse locations in 7 states spread over the country**

Over the week, through timely and co-ordinated efforts Railways swiftly mobilised Isolation Coaches to places of demand. Teams endeavour to meet quarantine protocols for mild cases of Covid with well-equipped medical facilities. A total of 298 Isolation Coaches with nearly 4700 bed capacity in use now

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717021>

**NHPC carries out large scale covid vaccination drive**

Covid 19 vaccination being carried at IREDA, New Delhi for employees of MOP, MNRE and PSUs/ organizations under MOP and MNRE.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716967>

**NTPC Stations at Chhattisgarh & in Madhya Pradesh chip in to spearhead Fight against COVID-19 Pandemic**

After the outbreak of Coronavirus pandemic in March 2020 and the resultant lockdown power sector personnel in generation had put their best foot forward in ensuring that the power generation continues to flow in the national grid and homes remain lit up and that all emergency services continue uninterrupted.

From providing financial assistance to District Administration for procuring PPE kits and Ventilators NTPC Sipat will be providing Financial Assistance to district administration for setting up Covid Care Centre at Masturi.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1717012>

**IMPORTANT TWEET**

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Israel and #India are united in the fight against #COVID19#IAF aircraft carrying three #Oxygen generators & 360 #OxygenConcentrators arrive in India from #Israel . Each generator has the capacity to meet O2 needs of a 120 bed hospital.#StaySafe@indemtel [pic.twitter.com/iJTLL5lInI](https://pic.twitter.com/iJTLL5lInI)

— #IndiaFightsCorona (@COVIDNewsByMIB) May 8, 2021

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## WHO द्वारा भारत के लिए ऐसी कोई चेतावनी जारी नहीं की गई है।

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अगले 20 घंटे भारत के लिए भारी  
WHO ICMR की भारत को चेतावनी

WHO ICMR ने कहा है कि यदि 20 घंटे में भारतीय नहीं सुधरे तो भारत कल रात 11 बजे के बाद 'THIRD STEP' यानी "कम्युनिटी ट्रांश्मिशन" में प्रवेश कर जायेगा।

और अगर भारत कल रात तक थर्ड स्टेज यानी कम्युनिटी ट्रांश्मिशन में जाता है तो भारत में 10

May तक लगभग 500000 (पचास हजार) तक मौतें हो सकती हैं, क्योंकि अन्य देशों की अपेक्षा भारत का जनसंख्या घनत्व बहुत अधिक है परन्तु भारतीय अभी तक इसकी गम्भीरता को नहीं समझ रहे हैं।

ईश्वर से दुआ करो की कल तक भारत से थर्ड स्टेज में न चले।

सभी नागरिकों से निवेदन प्लीज मस्ती मत करो। सलाह कोरेना से सम्बंधित सबर छोड़ आज रात सो जाओ।

ये फैलाओ की कुछ भी हो जाए 10 घण्टा बिल्कुल भी न निकल क्योंकि वल भारत 3 स्टेज में शायद जा सकता है प्लीज सभी को अंदर रहने के लिए प्रेरित करो 🙏🙏

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## पान के पत्ते का सेवन करने से कोरोना वायरस से बचा जा सकता है: वैद्य एमआर शर्मा

सुशील शर्मा

पान के पत्ते के सेवन से कोरोना वायरस के प्रकोप से बचा जा सकता है। यह कहना है हरिद्वार के प्रसिद्ध वैद्य एमआर शर्मा का। पिछले तीन दशकों से आयुर्वेद के माध्यम से देश के लोगों को सेवा कर रहे वैद्य एमआर शर्मा ने एक विशेष श्रेष्ठ में बताया कि पान का पत्ता एक औषधि के रूप में इस्तेमाल किया जाता है, जिससे कोरोना वायरस जैसे पराक्रम से बचा जा सकता है। वैद्य एमआर शर्मा ने बताया कि एक पान का पत्ता सुबह और एक पत्ता शाम को खाने से कोरोना वायरस के प्रभाव को खत्म नहीं होता। यदि किसी को वायरस है तो वह भी खराब हो जाएगा, कोरोना वायरस के प्रभाव को पान के पत्ते का रस देने से इसको रूढ़ि मिश्रण। वैद्य एमआर शर्मा ने कहा कि 10 वर्ष से कम के बच्चों को आधा पत्ता सुबह और आधा पत्ता शाम को दे ले लाभ मिलेगा। उन्होंने बताया कि पान को



वैद्य एमआर शर्मा

कि यदि रस के रूप में पान का सेवन करना है

तो सदा या मीठे पान का इस्तेमाल किया जा सकता है। आपको बताते हैं कि पान और धार्मिक कार्यों में इसका उपयोग करने से लेकर इसे 'पान' के रूप में खाने तक, पान के पत्ते में कई रोगों को रोक करने के औषधीय गुण और हीलिंग गुणस्वरूप लाभ होते हैं। पान के पत्ते में विटामिन सी, थायमिन, निपाथिन, राइबोफ्लेविन और कैरोटीन जैसे विटामिन पाए जाते हैं और ये कैल्शियम का एक स्रोत हैं।

पान में विटामिन सी, कैरोटीन, फाइबर, थायमिन, आर्सेनिक और थायमिन पाए जाते हैं, इसलिए इसका उपयोग आयुर्वेद के अनुसार किया जा सकता है।

पान का इस्तेमाल कर पानों को खराब होने से रोक जा सकता है। अमर और मुरासे का इस्तेमाल किया जा सकता है, खांसी से राहत पान में मदद की जा सकती है और ब्रोकलाइटिस जैसे स्वरण विकारों को भी रोक किया जा सकता है। यह भी कहा जाता है कि पान में मौजूद पट्टक रक्त में शर्करा के स्तर को कम कर सकते हैं। इस प्रकार पान के पत्ते आयुर्वेद के अनुसार पान को पचाना शुरू करने को शुरू करने शुरू करना जाता है। यह शरीर में एकत्रित एमिड के स्तर को बनाए रखने में मदद करता है। पान के पत्ते के रस को पान के पत्ते से बनाया जा सकता है।

आपका रक्त शर्करा से नियंत्रित है तो पान आपको इसमें राहत दिये जा सकते हैं।



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**Can you get COVID-19 even after vaccination?**











**Vaccination is crucial to prevent COVID-19. Only 0.03%-0.04% of the people have contracted COVID-19 after vaccination and even then they have had mild symptoms.**

**Vaccine will not allow the virus to further replicate** and it will not allow the disease to become more severe. But during that time, your RT-PCR test can be positive and you maybe infectious to others so it's important to follow COVID-19 appropriate behaviour even after vaccination.

Source: Dept of Medicine, AIIMS (ND)  
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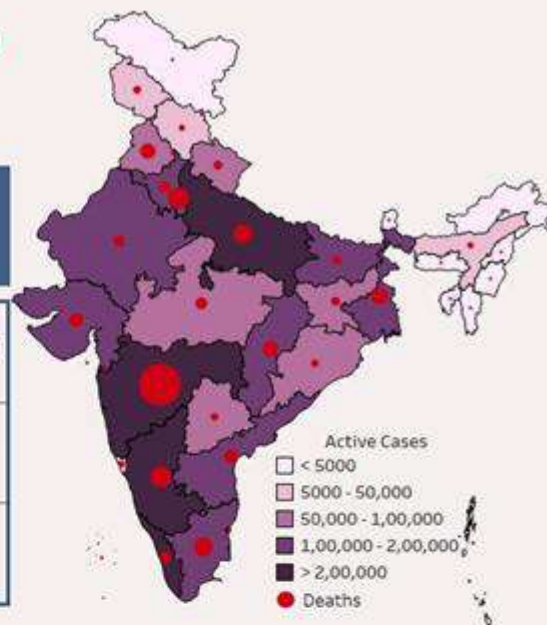


# COVID-19 Tracker

As on 7 May 2021, till 8AM

**Total Cases** **2,14,91,598**  
(▲4,14,188)

Recovered	1,76,12,351 (81.95%)	▲ 3,31,507
Active	36,45,164 (16.96%)	▲ 78,766
Deaths	2,34,083 (1.09%)	▲ 3,915



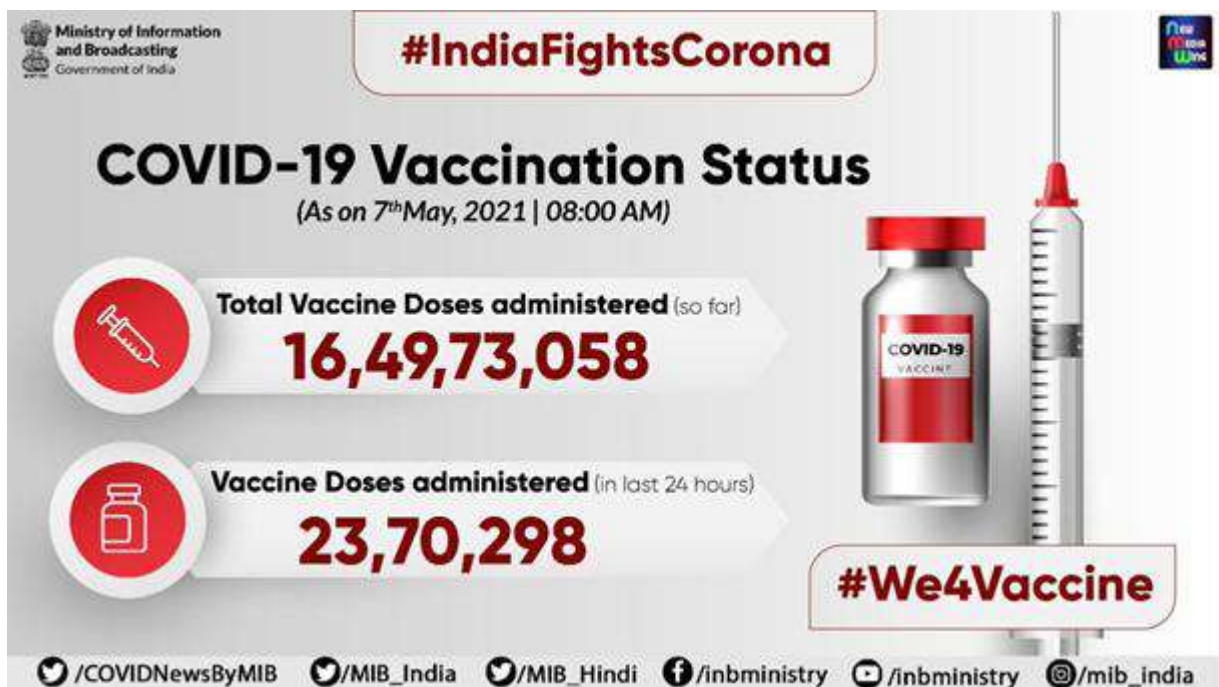
States' Cases (Highest)	Recovered (%)	Active (%)	Deaths (%)	
Maharashtra	49,42,736 (▲62,194)	<div><div></div></div> 42,27,940 (86%)	<div><div></div></div> 6,41,281 (13%)	<div><div></div></div> 73,515 (1.5%)
Karnataka	17,90,104 (▲49,058)	<div><div></div></div> 12,55,797 (70%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,17,095 (29%)	<div><div></div></div> 17,212 (1.0%)
Kerala	17,86,396 (▲42,464)	<div><div></div></div> 13,89,515 (78%)	<div><div></div></div> 3,91,253 (22%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,628 (0.3%)
Uttar Pradesh	14,25,916 (▲26,622)	<div><div></div></div> 11,51,571 (81%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,59,844 (18%)	<div><div></div></div> 14,501 (1.0%)
Tamil Nadu	12,97,500 (▲24,898)	<div><div></div></div> 11,51,058 (89%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,31,468 (10%)	<div><div></div></div> 14,974 (1.2%)
Delhi	12,73,035 (▲19,133)	<div><div></div></div> 11,64,008 (91%)	<div><div></div></div> 90,629 (7%)	<div><div></div></div> 18,398 (1.4%)
Andhra Pradesh	12,28,186 (▲21,954)	<div><div></div></div> 10,37,411 (84%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,82,329 (15%)	<div><div></div></div> 8,446 (0.7%)
West Bengal	9,35,066 (▲18,431)	<div><div></div></div> 8,00,328 (86%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,22,774 (13%)	<div><div></div></div> 11,964 (1.3%)
Chhattisgarh	8,16,489 (▲13,846)	<div><div></div></div> 6,75,294 (83%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,31,245 (16%)	<div><div></div></div> 9,950 (1.2%)
Rajasthan	7,02,568 (▲17,532)	<div><div></div></div> 4,99,376 (71%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,98,010 (28%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,182 (0.7%)
Gujarat	6,45,972 (▲12,545)	<div><div></div></div> 4,90,412 (76%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,47,525 (23%)	<div><div></div></div> 8,035 (1.2%)
Madhya Pradesh	6,37,406 (▲12,421)	<div><div></div></div> 5,42,632 (85%)	<div><div></div></div> 88,614 (14%)	<div><div></div></div> 6,160 (1.0%)
Haryana	5,73,815 (▲14,840)	<div><div></div></div> 4,52,836 (79%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,15,842 (20%)	<div><div></div></div> 5,137 (0.9%)
Bihar	5,53,803 (▲15,126)	<div><div></div></div> 4,35,574 (79%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,15,152 (21%)	<div><div></div></div> 3,077 (0.6%)
Odisha	5,00,162 (▲10,521)	<div><div></div></div> 4,23,257 (85%)	<div><div></div></div> 74,784 (15%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,121 (0.4%)
Telangana	4,81,640 (▲5,892)	<div><div></div></div> 4,05,164 (84%)	<div><div></div></div> 73,851 (15%)	<div><div></div></div> 2,625 (0.5%)
Punjab	4,16,350 (▲8,841)	<div><div></div></div> 3,39,803 (82%)	<div><div></div></div> 66,568 (16%)	<div><div></div></div> 9,979 (2.4%)
Assam	2,77,687 (▲4,936)	<div><div></div></div> 2,42,980 (88%)	<div><div></div></div> 33,176 (12%)	<div><div></div></div> 1,531 (0.6%)
Jharkhand	2,70,089 (▲6,974)	<div><div></div></div> 2,05,977 (76%)	<div><div></div></div> 60,633 (22%)	<div><div></div></div> 3,479 (1.3%)
Uttarakhand	2,20,351 (▲8,517)	<div><div></div></div> 1,54,147 (70%)	<div><div></div></div> 62,911 (29%)	<div><div></div></div> 3,293 (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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### **Centre continues to Effectively and Promptly Allocate and Deliver COVID-19 Aid received from Global Community to States/UTs**

- India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 16.49 Crore as the Nationwide Vaccination Drive expands
- More than 11.8 Lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated under Phase-3 of Vaccination Drive
- On a steady streak, over 3.31 Lakh Recoveries in the last 24 hours
- One-fourth of Total Active Cases concentrated in only 10 districts

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716697>

### **Govt. of India has so far provided more than 17.35 crore vaccine doses to States/UTs**

#### **Free of Cost**

More than 90 lakh COVID Vaccine doses (90,30,670) are still available with the States/UTs to be administered. States with negative balance are showing more consumption (including wastage) than vaccine supplied as they have not reconciled the vaccine they have supplied to Armed Forces. Furthermore, more than 10 lakh (10,25,000) 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=1716688>

### **Union Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan reviews COVID19 management Preparedness at Dr. RML Hospital, New Delhi**

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare today reviewed in person the preparedness of Dr Ram Manohar Lohia hospital, New Delhi for clinical management of the severe COVID19 patients. He has been personally reviewing the management of COVID19 in the Central Hospitals that serve Delhi and had also visited the Lady Hardinge Medical College recently.



In view of the unprecedented surge in daily COVID19 cases, uninterrupted requirement of oxygen, oxygen supported and ICU beds in addition to adequate supply of medicines and trained manpower has increased manifold in the Capital. The Government of India in line with its pro-active and graded approach has continuously reviewed the emerging situation in Delhi.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716789>

### **Indian Air Force & Navy step up efforts to ferry oxygen and medical supplies**

Indian Air Force (IAF) and Indian Navy (IN) have intensified their efforts to aid the civil administration in tackling the current COVID19 situation by ferrying oxygen containers and medical equipment. As on May 07, 2021, the C-17 aircraft of IAF have conducted 400 sorties from within the country, including 351 to airlift 252 oxygen tankers of total capacity of 4,904 Metric Tonnes (MT). The cities covered were Jamnagar, Bhopal, Chandigarh, Panagarh, Indore, Ranchi, Agra, Jodhpur, Begumpet, Bhubaneswar, Pune, Surat, Raipur, Udaipur, Mumbai, Lucknow, Nagpur, Gwalior, Vijaywada, Baroda, Dimapur and Hindan.

The IAF aircraft also conducted 59 international sorties to airlift 72 cryogenic oxygen storage containers of 1,233 MT total capacity along with 1,252 empty oxygen cylinders.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716805>

### **Allocation of Remdesivir made upto 16th May 2021 to ensure its adequate availability across the country**

Considering the requirement of Remdesivir in every state and ensuring its adequate availability, Union Minister of Chemicals & Fertilisers Shri D.V. Sadananda Gowda today announced the allocation of Remdesivir made upto 16th May 2021. This will ensure smooth supply of Remdesivir across country so that no patient face difficulty in this pandemic time, he added.

In a letter written to all States by Department of Pharmaceuticals and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, it was mentioned that in continuation of the allocation plan of Remdesivir drug for the period 21st April to 9th May, 2021 communicated by DO issued on 1st May 2021, an updated allocation plan valid for period of 21st April to 16th May, 2021 is prepared jointly by Department of Pharmaceuticals and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716744>

### **Additional Deployment Of Naval Personnel From WNC For PM Care Covid Hospital (Dhanvantari), Ahmedabad**

This is in addition to a 57 member naval medical team already positioned at the hospital on 29 Apr 21. The team is being deployed for a period of two months and will assist the hospital administration in handling covid patients.

For details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716704>



## **Uninterrupted Delivery of Medical Essentials Continues from Goa Airport**

Goa Airport had earlier catered to 8 LifeLine Udan flights intended to transport essential medical cargo to remote parts of the country amid the Nationwide lockdown to support India's fight against Covid-19 with a Total Inbound cargo of 2.15MT & Outbound cargo 3.96 MT. Goa Airport also handled 3 lots of Covid Vaccine for the state of Goa and 1 lot for the neighbouring state Karnataka in the months of January and February 2021.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716686>

## **A new Security Feature added to CoWIN digital platform**

In order to minimize such errors and the subsequent inconvenience caused to the citizens, the CoWIN system is introducing a new feature of "4 digit security code" in the CoWIN application from 8<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Now, after verification if the beneficiary has been found as eligible, before administering the vaccine dose, the verifier/vaccinator will ask beneficiary about his/her 4 digit code and then enter the same in the CoWIN system to correctly record the vaccination status

### **Advisory for citizens –**

- It is advised that the citizens must carry a copy (digital or physical) of their appointment slip and/or the registered mobile phone with appointment confirmation SMS, so that the 4-digit security code can be furnished for easy completion of vaccination recording process.
- It is also advised that the security code may be furnished to verifier/vaccinator before the vaccine dose has been administered. This is important as the digital certificate would be generated after the vaccine dose administration.
- Citizen must provide the security code to the vaccinator as the digital certificate will be generated only after the vaccination record has been updated with the security code.
- Citizen should get a confirmation SMS after the process has been successfully completed. The confirmation SMS indicates that the vaccination process has been completed successfully and the digital certificate has been generated. If one does not get the confirmation SMS, one should get in touch with the vaccinator/ vaccination center in-charge.

For Details : <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716726>

## **Ayush Ministry launches nationwide distribution campaign of AYUSH 64 & Kabasura Kudineer**



It is worthwhile to note that since the COVID-19 pandemic hit the country, the Ministry of Ayush has taken several initiatives toward control and mitigation of COVID 19, while also working in close collaboration with Ministry of Health & Family Welfare in the fight against COVID 19. With the latest initiative of the Ministry to launch a nationwide campaign for distribution of AYUSH-64 and Kabasura Kudineer, India aims to strengthen its position in fight against COVID19 pandemic.

For Details: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716729>

**Railway provides 21 Isolation Coaches at Guwahati and 20 Isolation Coaches at Badarpur near Silchar in Assam (N.F. Railway).**

Ministry of Railways is taking rapid action to swiftly move Isolation Coaches to places of demand (made by respective states) mobilising workforce and material for this task. The Railways has made available a fleet of more than 4400 Isolation Coaches with around 70,000 beds to serve as Isolation Units.

In the latest update, with latest demands from the State of Assam, Railway has swiftly moved 21 isolation coaches to Guwahati and 20 Isolation Coaches to Badarpur near Silchar in Assam (N. F. Railway). Earlier in the week, Isolation Coaches were deployed at Sabarmati, Chandlodiya and Dimapur respectively.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716788>

**Oxygen Expresses deliver more than 2960 MT of LMO in 185 tankers to different states**

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 more than 2960MT of LMO in 185 tankers to various states across the country. 47 Oxygen Expresses have already completed their journey so far. It is Indian Railways endeavour to deliver as much LMO as possible in the shortest time possible to the requesting states. Till the time of this release, 174 MT has been offloaded in Maharashtra, 729 MT in UP, 249 MT in MP, 305 MT in Haryana, 123 MT in Telangana and 1334 MT in Delhi.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716820>

**Department of Space pitched in to augment COVID infrastructure in the country; Liquid Oxygen is being provided to Tamil Nadu and Kerala on a continuous basis**

Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh today said that Department of Space has gone beyond its call to provide COVID related support mainly liquid oxygen to States of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Chandigarh. In an online review meeting, Chairman, ISRO, Dr. K. Sivan said that 9.5 tonnes of oxygen being given to Tamil Nadu and Kerala per day, besides the oxygen capacity of Andhra Pradesh and Chandigarh was augmented. He said, 87 Tonnes of LOX manufactured and supplied by ISRO Propulsion Complex, IPRC already given to Tamil Nadu and Kerala by ensuring 24x7 work schedule. Moreover, 12 MT of LOX sent to augment Oxygen availability in Andhra Pradesh.



He said, the Department is also ensuring supply of Oxygen cylinders for local public in Andhra Pradesh and Kerala. Advanced Medical devices designed including ventilators, Prana, and VaU and manufacturing to be taken up with industries at the earliest.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716535>

**Postal department in collaboration with Customs authorities starts helpline to facilitate speedy delivery of COVID related emergency shipments**

During recent 2<sup>nd</sup> wave of Covid 19 cases, Department of Posts, in collaboration with Customs authorities, has been facilitating clearance, processing and delivery of Covid related emergency shipments received through post from abroad e. g. oxygen concentrators, equipment, medicines etc. A public notice in this regard has been issued by Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716798>

**Ex-Defence doctors to provide online consultation on e-Sanjeevani OPD**

Ex-Defence doctors will now provide online consultation on e-Sanjeevani OPD to all citizens of the country. Veterans have come forward to answer the call of the nation and offered their services to help the people needing medical care. Defence Secretary Dr Ajay Kumar and Director General of Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) Surgeon Vice Admiral Rajat Datta addressed the veterans who have come forward to offer their services, through video conferencing on May 07, 2021. The e-Sanjeevani OPD is a flagship telemedicine platform of the Government, developed by the Centre for Development of Advance Computing (C-DAC), Mohali under the aegis of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW).

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716822>

**IMPORTANT TWEETS**

Soon after its arrival from Italy an oxygen plant was installed at ITBP REFERRAL Hospital in Greater Noida, UP. The plant can support around 100 beds at a time for COVID-19 patients admitted at the centre. @HMOIndia @ITBP\_official @PIB\_India@ANI [pic.twitter.com/7xi91aIMpq](https://pic.twitter.com/7xi91aIMpq)

— Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 7, 2021





Loaded up in Tel Aviv !! C17 of IAF with 3 Cryogenic -containers and additional respirators will be flying back to Hindan Airbase. MHA and IAF are working in co-ordination to upscale oxygen supplies and medical eqpt amidst the 2nd wave of Covid-19. [pic.twitter.com/Ud9lI8oIGs](https://pic.twitter.com/Ud9lI8oIGs)

— Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 7, 2021

Importing covid related equipments or medicaments through courier!

Track status of consignments by HAWB no. and Courier name on the link

→ <https://t.co/ECBJjA8ZGe#Unite2FightCorona> [pic.twitter.com/GAMgqNRS43](https://pic.twitter.com/GAMgqNRS43)

— CBIC (@cbic\_india) May 7, 2021

Congress's discourse on Central Vista is bizarre.

Cost of Central Vista is about ₹20,000 crore, over several years.

Gol has allocated nearly twice that amount for vaccination! India's healthcare budget for just this year was over ₹3 lakh crore. We know our priorities. [pic.twitter.com/uNlnxv7s58](https://pic.twitter.com/uNlnxv7s58)

— Hardeep Singh Puri (@HardeepSPuri) May 7, 2021

There are hundreds of projects being executed by various depts. Governance hasn't come to a standstill, unlike the Congress's times of policy paralysis.

Central Vista is just another ongoing project. It's only the Congress that's obsessed about it, nobody else. [pic.twitter.com/RSTfL5HLLc](https://pic.twitter.com/RSTfL5HLLc)

— Hardeep Singh Puri (@HardeepSPuri) May 7, 2021



Moreover, only projects for New Parliament Building & rejuvenation of Central Vista Avenue have been awarded at an estimated cost of ₹862 crore & ₹477 crore respectively till now.

As I said, there are many components in Central Vista project which are spread over several years

— Hardeep Singh Puri (@HardeepSPuri) May 7, 2021

They want to distract people from monumental governance failures in their states by spreading lies. So they indulge in cheap politics despite knowing this project creates direct & indirect employment for thousands of skilled, semi-skilled & unskilled workers in these times.

— Hardeep Singh Puri (@HardeepSPuri) May 7, 2021

While Central Vista is not new, see Congress' hypocrisy.

Congress & its allies are splurging on a new project reconstructing an MLA hostel in Maharashtra & building a new Legislative Assembly building in Chhattisgarh. If this is fine, what is the problem with Central Vista?  
[pic.twitter.com/7buqpuFRN2](https://pic.twitter.com/7buqpuFRN2)

— Hardeep Singh Puri (@HardeepSPuri) May 7, 2021

Congress doesn't stop at hypocrisy. Look at their shameful double face.

During UPA, Congress leaders wrote about the need for a new parliament. The Speaker in 2012 wrote a letter to Urban Development Ministry for the same. And now they have the gall to oppose the same project?  
[pic.twitter.com/33weJfsed1](https://pic.twitter.com/33weJfsed1)

— Hardeep Singh Puri (@HardeepSPuri) May 7, 2021



Union Minister @DVSadanandGowda announces the allocation of #Remdesivir made upto 16th May 2021

States/UTs asked to monitor proper distribution within the State/UT covering government & private hospitals as appropriate and in line with judicious use

Read:<https://t.co/ZJPXSE1vza> [pic.twitter.com/8rCQCTLATl](https://t.co/pic.twitter.com/8rCQCTLATl)

— PIB in Tamil Nadu IN (@pibchennai) May 7, 2021

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◆ Please inform at the #NationalChildHelpline (1098) if you know any child who needs counselling or any other assistance. [pic.twitter.com/CO2y3g19RE](https://t.co/pic.twitter.com/CO2y3g19RE)

— PIB WCD (@PIBWCD) May 7, 2021

### INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD UNITS

**Kerala:** The Covid lockdown restrictions, which will come into force in the state from tomorrow, are likely to be intensified. Borders of Ernakulam district where Covid cases have crossed 60,000 mark, will be closed by midnight tonight. The state reported 41,953 new Covid-19 cases yesterday, the single biggest surge reported in a day. The test positivity rate was 25.69 %. The Kerala High Court today dismissed the petition of private labs against the government's decision to cap the RTPCR test rate at Rs 500. It also urged the Centre to come up with an action plan for distribution of vaccines to the states. Meanwhile, a total of 77,06,663 people have been vaccinated in the state so far. Out of this 61,38,224 have taken first dose and 15,68,439 second dose.

**Tamil Nadu:** The CM, signed an order for bringing Covid19 treatment cost under CM Health Insurance Scheme. The High Court appealed to the Union and the empowered committee to take immediate steps and ensure supply of the revised allocation of 475 tonnes of oxygen to the State by Friday (today). State government informed the Madras High Court on Thursday that adequate measures were being taken to check hoarding and black marketing of Remdesivir, and two counters to sell the medicine would be set up at Madurai and Coimbatore in a day or two. Tamil Nadu recorded 24,898 new Covid cases in the single biggest day spike so far on Thursday, pushing the caseload to 12,97,500, while a record 195 deaths in the last 24 hours took the toll to 14,974, leaving 1,31,468 active infections. Around 87,000 were vaccinated in the state yesterday. Till date 63,36,452 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 47,83,045 received first dose and 15,53,407 received second dose.



**Karnataka:** New Cases Reported: 49058; Total Active Cases: 517075; New Covid Deaths: 328; Total Covid Deaths: 17212. Around 21,425 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 1,01,34,203 have been vaccinated in the state till now. A start-up named Swagbike is working on delivering an oxygen cylinder to corona infected people facing Oxygen deficiency. As the demand for medical oxygen in the state has increased, Centre has responded and expanded the amount of oxygen delivered to the state to 965 metric tonnes. Vaccination campaign for 18 to 45-year-olds will be launched by the 15th or later of this month, Health Minister Dr K. Sudhakar said.

**Andhra Pradesh:** State reported 21,954 new Covid19 cases after testing 1,10,147 samples with 72 deaths, while 10,141 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 70,70,242 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 52,75,927 first doses and 17,94,315 second doses. The drive to administer the second dose of vaccines to people in the 45 and plus age group continued across the state for the second day on Thursday. The state received five lakh doses on Tuesday. However, due to limited availability of stocks the vaccination continued at a snail's pace. Meanwhile, the crackdown on private hospitals treating Covid-19 patients, in violation of the norms prescribed by the government, continued, and six hospitals were booked for irregularities. Following the clamping of curfew from 12 noon to 6 am for two weeks from May 5 to contain the spread of Covid-19, the State Industries and Commerce department issued guidelines for operating Industries beyond permissible hours with a set of SOPs.

**Telangana:** CM K. Chandrashekhara Rao ruled out the imposition of lockdown in the state as it adversely affects the livelihood of lakhs of people. The CM yesterday reviewed the Covid situation in the state with senior officials of the concerned departments. All public health facilities in the state from PHC Sub Centres to teaching hospitals are starting Out Patient service from today for Covid patients; Home Isolation Kits will be given to the persons who test positive with mild symptoms and require home isolation. Meanwhile, as many as 5,892 new daily cases and 46 deaths were reported yesterday taking the total number of positive cases in the state to 4,81,640 and fatalities to 2,625. A total of 48,306 people of all categories received first dose and 32,361 second dose vaccinations yesterday.

**Maharashtra:** Maharashtra crossed the 1.67 crore inoculation mark. It also became the first among the states to give both doses to the highest number of citizens. Bhabha Atomic Energy Research Centre (BARC) has set up a special Oxygen plant to supply medical oxygen to Mumbai. In the first phase, about 10 cylinders of 50 litres each will be available from the plant. The cylinders will be supplied to government hospitals and COVID centres in south-central Mumbai. BARC has indicated its readiness to increase supply as per demand. National Chemicals Fertilizers (RCF) has also set up an Oxygen plant at Shatabdi Hospital in Govandi in Mumbai.

**Gujarat:** Gujarat Unit of Ayurveda Vyaspeeth has launched an "Ayurvedic Doctors on Call" service to serve the Covid patients in the state. Under this service, 170 Ayurvedic doctors will give free Ayurvedic consultations to the Covid patients on phone calls. This will help to recover the Covid patients from their





Home. Continuing a downward trend, Gujarat on Thursday reported 12,545 COVID-19 cases, the Health Department said. With 13,021 persons getting discharged during the day, recoveries surpassed the daily increase in cases.

**Rajasthan:** Due to the surging second wave of COVID-19, the Rajasthan Government has decided to impose a lock down in the state for two weeks and has suspended marriage functions till the 31st of May. The lock down will be effective from 5 AM on May 10th to 5 AM on the 24th of May. All places of worship will remain closed. Except for medical emergencies, no inter-district, inter-city, city to villages or villages to city travel will be allowed. All public transport including buses, tempos, tractors, jeeps will be off the roads. Only workers permitted will be allowed to load or unload inter state and intra-state goods.

**Madhya Pradesh:** In Madhya Pradesh, Janata Curfew has been extended till May 15.

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan while addressing people of state virtually yesterday requested to halt all activities, defer weddings till May 15. Chief Minister said that the government will provide free treatment for corona immediately to the poor, common people and middle-class people as well. The package is being announced under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana. The government will contract with private hospitals. CT scan, tests etc. will also be free of charge. Madhya Pradesh had 12,841 infections yesterday and 85 deaths. Active cases are 88,614 and 60% of these are in home isolation.

**Chhattisgarh:** The Chhattisgarh government has suspended the third phase of Covid vaccination drive for people aged 18 to 44, after the high court's order to modify the plan that prioritised inoculation of the economically weaker sections of society. The State government has constituted a committee headed by the State's Chief Secretary to finalise a fresh plan to distribute vaccines in the third phase in an equitable manner. For prevention and control of COVID-19 infection, Mitans are going door-to-door in villages to identify the people with COVID symptoms and to provide them medicines free of cost. This initiative of the Government is yielding positive results. The number of serious COVID patients in the state has significantly declined while recovery rate has noticeably improved.

**Goa:** Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant has hinted that a lockdown may be imposed in the state to curb the transmission of the coronavirus as infections climb record high. Goa is currently under stringent Covid-19-related curbs, which include the closure of non-essential shops. Goa government has cancelled permission for film, TV shootings due to rising Covid-19 cases. The Entertainment Society of Goa (ESG) has asked the shooting crews currently in Goa to wind up their schedules.

**Assam:** Assam on Thursday recorded a total of 46 deaths due to COVID-19, while 4,936 persons tested positive for the virus. Kamrup (Metro) reported as many as 1,353 COVID-19 positive cases on Thursday. The vaccination drive for the 18+ population of the State will start officially from Friday. Each of the 34 districts in the state has been divided into zones for smooth conduct of the drive. CM Sarbananda Sonowal discussed the COVID-19 situation with Health Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma over phone on Thursday. Sonowal also held a video conference with the Deputy Commissioners and reviewed various aspects of the COVID-19 response in the districts.



**Manipur:** Manipur recorded 380 new positive cases registered. In view of the rising COVID-19 cases and death toll, the State Government has extended the period of restrictions imposed in areas under Imphal Municipal Corporation (IMC) and Greater Imphal till May 16. No shortages of oxygen, action will be taken against panic buying said Manipur Health director. The number of people vaccinated in the State so far is 2,42,359.

**Meghalaya:** Two people succumbed to COVID-19 infection and 347 new cases were reported on Thursday, less than 24 hours after the state government enforced lockdown in Shillong and the rest of East Khasi Hills district. The Health department is awaiting delivery of 42,630 doses of vaccine from Serum Institute of India (SII) to start the vaccination of people in the 18-44 age group on a priority basis. The COVID-19 cases in Meghalaya may peak next week, Principal Secretary of Health department, Sampath Kumar said on Thursday.

**Nagaland:** Nagaland reported 267 fresh COVID-19 cases and 3 deaths on Thursday. Active cases are 2245 while total has gone up to 15,271. Shutter down, roads deserted in Kohima and Dimapur as containment restrictions begin. More consignment for oxygen plants arrive at Dimapur Airport on Thursday.

**Tripura:** The case load in Agartala Municipal area has already crossed last year's record. A meeting of state level COVID-19 task force was held under the Chief Secretary and it was decided not to give permission for any mass gathering. Meanwhile yesterday state recorded highest positive rate with 300 people testing positive and 1 death.

**Sikkim:** 264 Covid cases, three deaths in Sikkim. The State's active Covid cases tally is 2,256. 50 Covid patients have successfully recovered on Wednesday. At present, there are 181 Covid patients in hospitals. Shutter down in Sikkim and movement of persons and vehicles are completely restricted from 5 pm till 9 am, except for emergency purposes during the night curfew in the State. During this daily 16-hour lockdown, only essential services and shops selling medicines and essential commodities are allowed to function. Sikkim has also closed its inter-State borders and banned interdistrict movement except for Army and security personnel, commercial transporters and exceptional emergencies. Section 144 prohibiting gathering of five or more persons is also in force till May 16.


**Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 416350. Number of active cases is 66568. Total Deaths reported is 9979. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 715916. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 207946. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2437386. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 292024.

**Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 573815. Total active COVID-19 patients are 115842. Number of deaths is 5137. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4125253.



**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases are 47552. Total number of Active Cases is 8420. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 541.

**Himachal Pradesh:** Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 118729. Total number of Active Cases is 27756. Total deaths reported till date is 1724.

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A consignment carrying **545 oxygen concentrators** and other medical equipment arrived from the USA. The shipment of over **81000 vials of Remdesivir** to reach from **the USA**.

Over **1.5 lakh vials of Remdesivir** are donated by Gilead Sciences, **USA**.

An aircraft carrying an **Oxygen Generating Plant**, over **2.8 lakh rapid testing kits** and other medical supplies arrived from **the USA**.

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2 liquid oxygen cryogenic containers of **20 MT each** had arrived from **Bahrain**.

Shipment of ISO cryogenic tanks of liquid medical oxygen (**40 MT**) gifted by the Government of **Kuwait** and **500 oxygen cylinders** & **4 oxygen concentrators** had arrived.



2nd shipment from **Ireland** carrying **2 oxygen generators, 548 oxygen concentrators, 365 ventilators** and other medical equipment has arrived.

4th consignment of **Cryo Oxygen tanks** had been airlifted by Indian Air Force from **Thailand**.

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Shipment of an **oxygen production plant** & **20 ventilators** has arrived from **Italy**.



**Qatar** has sent **300 tonnes** Medical aid-ventilators, concentrators, & PPE kits.



**7 ISO tankers** with **20 MT Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO)** each have arrived at Mundra Port, India from the **UAE**.



Indian Air Force C-17s are engaged in airlifts of **cryogenic oxygen containers** from **Germany**.



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Should women avoid workout, exercise and yoga etc. post getting the **COVID** vaccine?

Women need not avoid workout, exercise or yoga after getting COVID-19 vaccines. However, if there is any pain or swelling at the site of injection then it is advisable to avoid exertion of the arm.

Dr. Arun Sharma,  
Director, NIIRNCD (ICMR-Jodhpur)



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तभी अपनों को और अपने आप को कोरोना काल में फैल रही  
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- India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 16.25 Crore as the Nationwide Vaccination Drive expands
- On a steady streak, over 3.29 Lakh Recoveries in the last 24 hours
- PM Modi reviews public health response to Covid-19
- PM reviews state-wise and district wise covid situation
- Oil and Gas Public Sector Companies setting up 100 PSA Medical Oxygen Generation Plants in Hospitals

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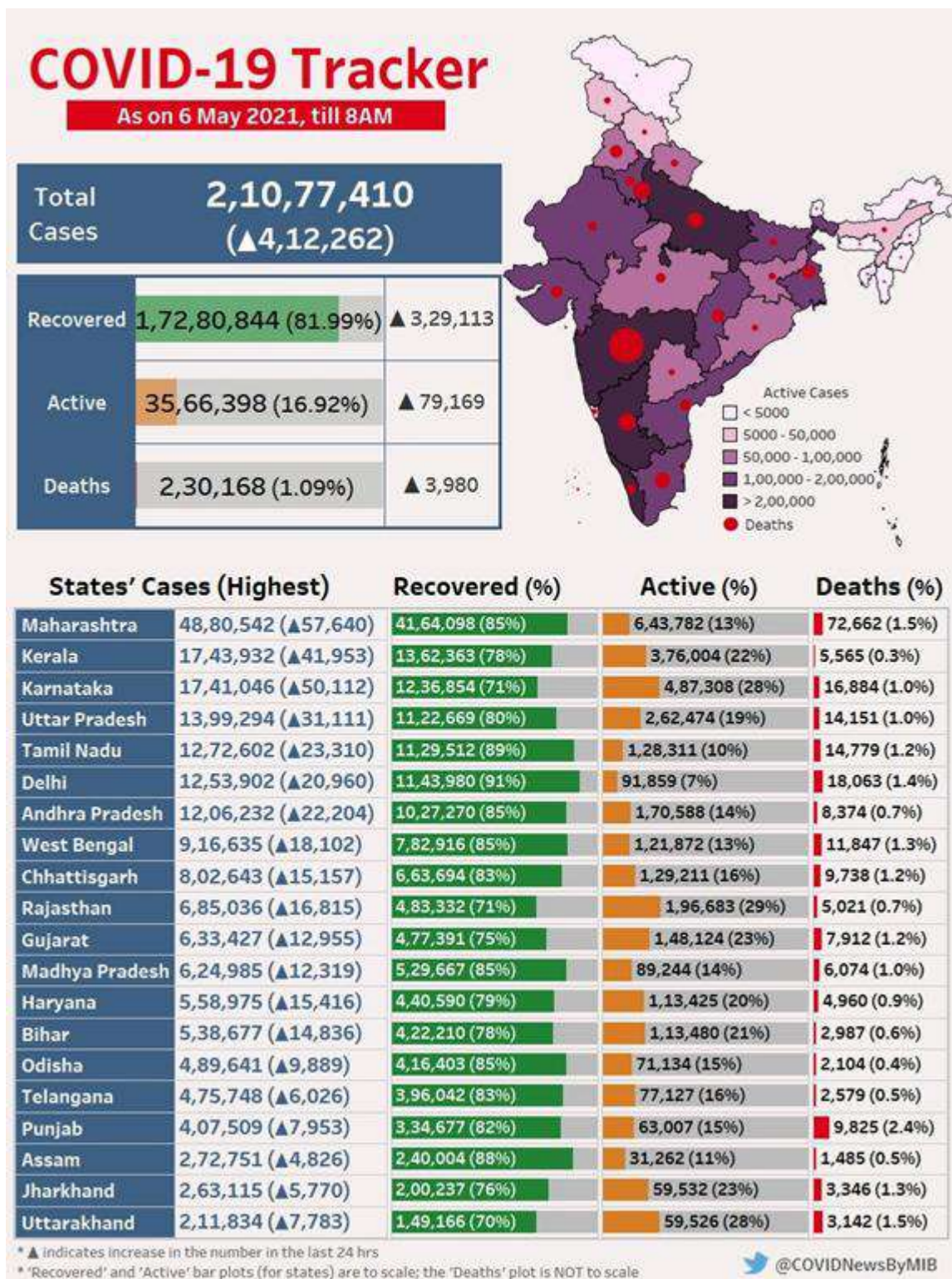
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## PM Modi reviews public health response to Covid-19; PM reviews state-wise and district wise covid situation

PM Modi today undertook a comprehensive review of the Covid-19 related situation in the country. He was given a detailed picture on the Covid outbreak in various states and districts. He was informed about the 12 states which have more than 1 lakh active cases. PM was also apprised about the districts with

high disease burden.

PM was briefed about the ramping up of healthcare infrastructure by the states. PM directed that states should be given help & guidance about leading indicators to ramp up healthcare infrastructure.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716474>

### Oil and Gas Public Sector Companies setting up 100 PSA Medical Oxygen Generation Plants in Hospitals

Oil and Gas Public Sector Companies, under the administrative control of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India are working earnestly to meet the Nation's Liquid Medical Oxygen requirements, in this hour of need. They are setting up about 100 Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) Medical Oxygen Generation Plants in public health facilities across the country. The hospitals in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Karnataka, Goa, Kerala, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh and Delhi will be covered under the initiative. The entire expenditure for these plants will be borne by the companies from their CSR fund.

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### Govt. of India has so far provided more than 17.15 crore vaccine doses to States/UTs Free of Cost

More than 89 lakh doses are still available with the States/UTs to be administered. Over 28 Lakh doses in addition will be received by the States/UTs in the next 3 days.

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### No pendency of Oxygen Concentrators with Indian Customs

It has been reported in some sections of the media that oxygen concentrators are pending at the Customs warehouse for getting clearance from the Custom authorities. The news is totally incorrect, not based on facts and without any basis. 3000 Oxygen Concentrators received in the Country as International Relief Aid; All delivered/dispatched. Customs authorities working 24x7 to fast track consignments of Oxygen concentrators

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### Effective Allocation of COVID-19 Materials received from the Global Community by Centre to States and UTs

Government of India has been receiving international donations/aid of Covid-19 relief medical supplies and equipment since 27 April 2021 from different countries. All items received so far are allocated to the states/institutions and substantial part of it stands delivered. This is an ongoing exercise. The aim is to





extend all support and assistance through various means and measures to strengthen the States' and UT's efforts during this critical phase. More than 9 Lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated under Phase-3 of Vaccination Drive.

On a steady streak, over 3.29 Lakh Recoveries in the last 24 hours. Average Weekly recoveries increased from around 53 Thousand to 3 Lakhs in the month of April

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### Guidelines issued for fast and efficient vaccination of Civil Aviation Community

Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has issued enabling guidelines to facilitate the vaccination program in a fast and efficient manner to ensure timely vaccination of the aviation community. During the COVID-19 surge, the aviation community has worked tirelessly to ensure unhindered services for the movement of people in need and essential cargo including critical medical cargo like vaccines, medicines, Oxygen Concentrators, etc. Secretary, Civil Aviation sent a letter earlier to all the State Governments with a request to consider the personnel involved in aviation and related services as a priority group under the vaccination program.

As per the guidelines, all players in Civil Aviation Sector would be advised to cover their personnel under the ongoing vaccination program. Guidelines further state that the organizations which have already made arrangements with Government/Private service providers for the vaccination to their employees may continue to do so.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716483>

### IMPORTANT TWEETS

A morale boosting piece by Raksha Mantri Shri. @rajnathsingh ji listing how the defense forces of India and various wings of Defence Ministry are working round the clock with civil administration in fighting the pandemic.

A must read <https://t.co/yBDWJK3uaH#Unite2FightCorona>

— Prakash Javadekar (@PrakashJavdekar) May 6, 2021

Facilitating fast and efficient vaccination program for civil aviation community - Ministry of Civil Aviation issues enabling Guidelines <https://t.co/wXwgHUh3Kj>  
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— PIB Civil Aviation (@pibcivilaviati1) May 6, 2021



An IAF C17 Globemaster arrived Bangkok today to lift cryo- containers. Continuous IAF sorties are being co-ordinated by MHA to improve transportation of oxygen across the country during the 2nd Covid-19 wave. @HMOIndia @PIB\_India @DDNewslive @airnewsalerts @IAF\_MCC @ANI pic.twitter.com/SNkEjwkgr

— Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 6, 2021

### INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES

**Maharashtra:** Maharashtra on Wednesday reported 57,640 new coronavirus infections, which took the state's case tally to 48,80,542, while 920 fatalities, the highest in a day so far, pushed the death toll to 72,662. For the second day in a row, Mumbai reported less than 3,000 cases. Over the past week, Mumbai has reported an average of 3,500 Covid-19 cases per day.

**Gujarat:** Gujarat recorded 12,955 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday while 12,995 patients recovered during the last 24 hours and were discharged from the hospitals. 133 patients lost their lives yesterday. Meanwhile, 1,32,384 persons were vaccinated in the state yesterday. Out of these, 36,226 persons are from the 18 to 44 years age group. Shri Somnath Trust has announced Rs.50 lakh donation to the local community health centre at Prabhas Patan to set up an oxygen plant. Shri Somnath Trust is also running COVID care centre at its Lilavati Bhavan guest house.

**Rajasthan:** There has been a continuous dip in the daily infections for the past four days. From 18,298, 17,296 and 16,974 cases, respectively, for the last three days, the state reported 16,815 cases on Wednesday. Moreover, after two months, the number of people who were discharged in the last 24 hours (17,022) was higher than the number of daily new infections on Wednesday. However, 155 persons died of Covid in the state in one day. Two nitrogen tankers have been processed to transport oxygen in the state, and Rajasthan is one of the first to do so in the country.

**Madhya Pradesh:** Advanced life support ambulances rates have been decided by the state government. Government has increased the rates by 1.5 to 2 times. The rates are Rs 500 for 10 kilometers in urban areas and Rs 800 for 20 kms in rural areas. There were several complaints of over charging by ambulances coming from rural areas to cities. 5,200 people below 18 years were vaccinated with Covaxin as their first dose yesterday. Yesterday was the first day of vaccination for the 18 plus age group.

**Chhattisgarh:** Chhattisgarh High Court has set aside the state government's decision to first vaccinate poor people of the state in the third phase of Covid inoculation drive by ruling that a division according to financial status alone was unconstitutional. The court said other groups were entitled to equal treatment with regard to the right to life.

At the district headquarters of Balodabazar district, a 600-bed COVID Care Hospital is being constructed with the help from the public representatives. Besides, a 100-bed COVID Hospital has been built in the capital Raipur with the help of Jain community. This hospital has 6 ICU beds and 42 oxygenated beds.

Goa: Goa cabinet declared section of govt employees, media, bank workers & others as frontline Covid workers for priority in Covid vaccination.

Three public interest litigations (PIL) will be heard together by the High Court of Bombay at Goa on Thursday at 10am on the State's handling of the COVID pandemic management in view of the high mortality rate and other gaps in the healthcare infrastructure.

Kerala: The state will go into complete lockdown from May 8 to May 16. The move comes a day after the state recorded more than 40,000 daily cases for the first time. On Wednesday, the State reported 41,953 new Covid-19 cases and 58 fatalities. The TPR was 25.69 %. The lockdown has been declared just when the strain on hospitals is threatening to go beyond manageable levels. In all, there are 3.8 lakh patients in hospitals across the state. 2033 patients are in ICU. Those requiring ventilator support are 818. On the other hand, a total of 76,64,973 people have so far been vaccinated in the state. Out of this 61,29,034 took first dose and 15,35,939 second dose.

Tamil Nadu: Madras HC sought a Covid situation report from Health Secretary and called on the state to evolve an inoculation programme that involves some amount of equality. Madras High Court has also sought the Centre to come out clear as to when Sterlite would start supply of oxygen, especially with a week having gone by since such permission was given. Puducherry is witnessing a steep rise in Covid-19 deaths, with 78 people succumbing to the virus in the last five days in the Union territory. Puducherry also logged its highest single-day spike of 1819 cases and 18 deaths in the last 24 hours ending at 10 am on Wednesday. Tamil Nadu recorded 23,310 fresh Covid cases and 167 deaths on Wednesday. The active cases in the state stand at 32,917 and 1,28,311 respectively. The total number of cases seen in the State so far stands at 12,72,602. The state vaccinated 56,203 people yesterday. Till date 62,49,242 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 47,53,074 received first dose and 14,96,168 received second dose.

Karnataka: New Cases Reported: 50112; Total Active Cases: 487288; New Covid Deaths: 346; Total Covid Deaths: 16884. Around 1,23,413 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 1,00,72,795 have been vaccinated in the state till now. The Indian Navy's INS Talwar ship brought 40 tonnes of liquid medical oxygen for the first time from Bahrain to Mangalore. Four pharmaceutical companies have agreed to meet the daily dose of Remdisivir beginning from Thursday, said DCM, Dr CN Ashwaththa Narayana, Head of Covid Task Force.

Andhra Pradesh: The state reported 22,204 new Covid-19 cases after testing 1,16,367 samples with 85 deaths, while 11,128 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 69,16,457 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 52,42,484 first doses and 16,73,973 second doses. Principal Secretary (Medical and Health) Anil Kumar Singhal, said that the state will receive 9 lakh doses of vaccine from the Centre by May 15. In addition to which the state will procure another 13 lakh doses from companies directly. All the 22 lakh doses will be used for second dose, he said. Fresh restrictions to curb the spread of Covid-19 have impacted 3,500 RTC services. Odisha too closed its borders with Andhra Pradesh in Srikakulam and Vizianagaram districts as it had imposed complete lockdown there.



Telangana: A total of 48,055 people of all categories received first dose and 30,765 second dose in the state on Wednesday taking the cumulative number of people who received first dose to 42,72,935 and second dose to 6,86,220. Meanwhile, as many as 6,026 new daily cases and 52 fatalities were reported yesterday taking the total number of positive cases in the state to 4,75,748 and deaths to 2,579. Now, the total number of Active Cases in the state stands at 77,127. Telangana High Court yesterday asked the State Government to explore imposition of stronger restrictive measures like extending hours of night curfew or weekend lockdown to flatten the Covid-19 curve.

Assam: Assam has recorded 4826 new COVID cases on May 5th, Wednesday. Giving an update on the COVID situation in the state, Assam Health Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma tweeted that 55 deaths have been recorded and Kamrup Metropolitan with Guwahati as its leading city registered 1383 number of COVID cases. The positivity rate stands at 9.27%. Ministry of Railways has offered Assam 150 train coaches equipped with oxygen cylinders to be used as Covid care centres. The State Government has released Rs 49.64 crore SDRF (State Disaster Response Fund) for its 34 districts for COVID-19 management. Assam Government has announced the closure of all educational institutions in the state till further notice. All primary, higher secondary schools, colleges and universities in the state will remain closed during this period and online classes will however continue.

Manipur: COVID-19 claimed 10 more lives in Manipur. With 397 new COVID-19 positive cases in 24 hours, the cumulative number of positive cases in Manipur reached 33,353. Manipur government has completed all preparations to start the vaccination programme for the people of age group 18-44 years, Lok Sabha MP RK Ranjan said.

Meghalaya: 269 fresh cases were detected on Wednesday, with six fatalities. The active tally has gone up to 2,135 while the number of patients who have so far recovered from the infection is 15,957, including 147 on Wednesday. NEIGRIHMS Director, Dr P Bhattacharya on Wednesday informed that the institute has a 10,000 litre liquid oxygen tank that will keep the super-speciality hospital supplied with oxygen optimally.

Sikkim: Lockdown-like restrictions in Sikkim till May 16, borders to be sealed. Curfew will be imposed from 5 pm to 9 am. Inter state and inter district movement banned except emergency vehicles. All state govt offices to remain closed till 16th May. Active cases go past 2K in Sikkim; 4 deaths take Covid toll to 155.

Tripura: 240 people tested positive and 3 died while 75 patients recovered in last 24 hours. Covid19 surveillance officer Dr. Deep Deb Barma said that already positivity rate for Tripura has crossed 5 % which is worrying and next 1 and half months are very crucial for the state. BSF reviewed the covid situation for 3000 troops who are returning from duty and testing for all is being done at the railway station.

Nagaland: Nagaland registered highest single day spike of Covid infections with 287 cases, 3 deaths in





last 24 hrs. In view of the increase in cases, the State govt directed private hospitals to provide 50% beds for Covid patients. The Nagaland Emergency Centre, Delhi at Nagaland House, New Delhi has been reactivated to assist Naga citizens in the national capital in tackling the Covid 2nd wave.

Punjab: The total number of patients tested Positive is 407509. Number of active cases is 63007. Total Deaths reported is 9825. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 698587. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 202747. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2406824. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 270473.

Haryana: Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 558975. Total active COVID-19 patients is 113425. Number of deaths is 4960. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 4027635.

Chandigarh: Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases is 46793. Total number of Active Cases is 8363. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 532.


Himachal Pradesh: Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 114787. Total number of Active Cases is 25902. Total deaths reported till date is 1679.

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- Installation completed of Two High Flow Medical Oxygen Plants funded by PMCARES at AIIMS, New Delhi and RML Hospital
- Oxygen Supply to COVID patients to begin from today
- India becomes the fastest country to exceed 16 Crore cumulative vaccinations as the Nationwide Vaccination Drive expands
- More than 6.7 Lakh beneficiaries of age group 18-44 Vaccinated under Phase-3 of Vaccination Drive
- On a steady streak, over 3.38 Lakh Recoveries in the last 24 hours
- Govt. of India has so far provided more than 17.02 crore vaccine doses to States/UTs Free of Cost
- Over 36 Lakh doses in addition will be received by the States/UTs in the next 3 days

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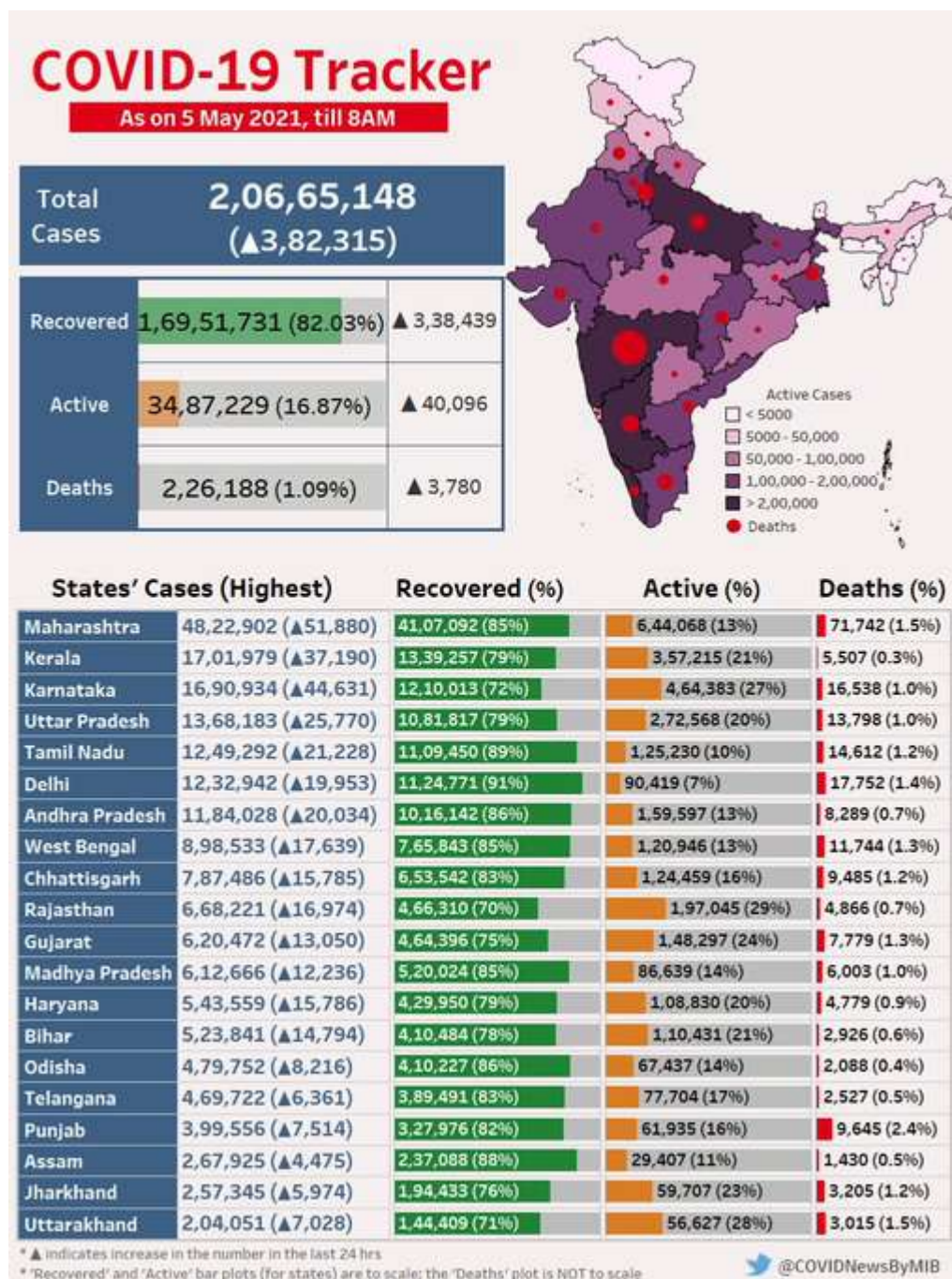
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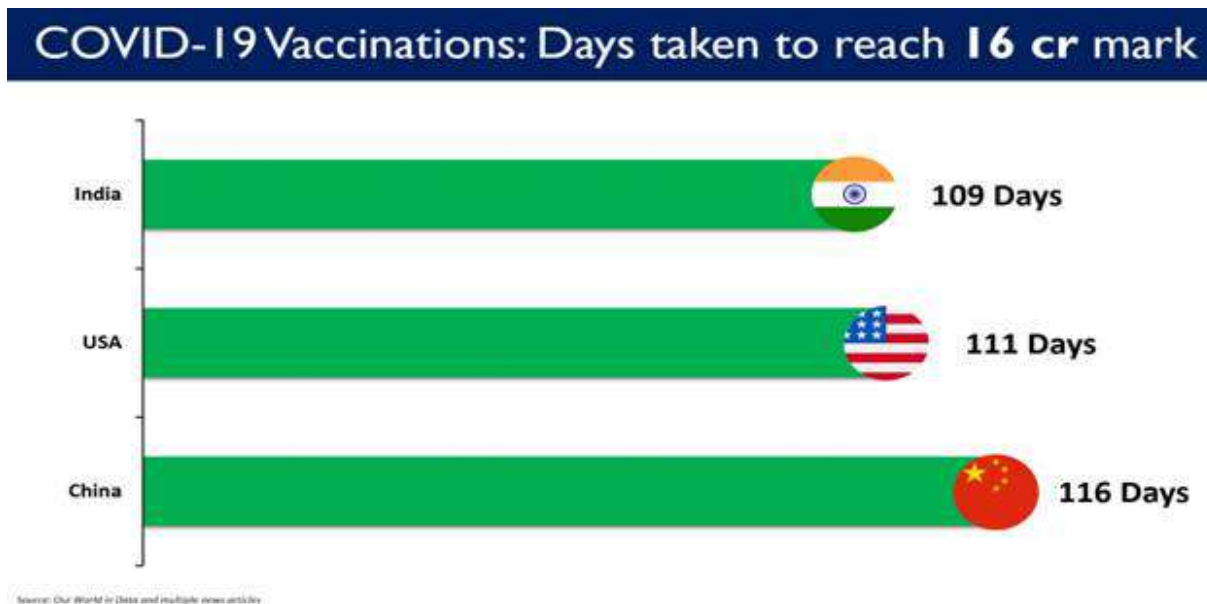


### Installation of Two High Flow Medical Oxygen Plants funded by PMCARES at AIIMS, New Delhi and RML Hospital completed; Oxygen Supply to COVID patients to begin from today.

In a significant development, two medical oxygen plants funded by PMCARES have been installed at AIIMS, New Delhi and RML Hospital within a week. Carried out on a war footing, the two plants were swiftly airlifted from Coimbatore and installed yesterday. Both the plants will start supply of oxygen by today evening.



In order to effectively address the high surge of Covid-19 cases in the country, PMCARES has allocated funds for the installation of 500 Medical Oxygen Plants across the country. These plants are planned to be set up within 3 months. In all, five high flow medical oxygen plants will be installed at AIIMS Trauma Centre, Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital (RML), Safdarjung Hospital, Lady Hardinge Medical College, and AIIMS, Jhajjar, Haryana.



**3,82,315** new cases were registered in the last 24 hours. Ten States including Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Karnataka, Kerala, Haryana, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan report **70.91%** of the new cases. **The National Mortality Rate has been falling and currently stands at 1.09%.** **3,780** deaths were reported in the last 24 hours.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716089>

### Govt. of India has so far provided more than 17.02 crore vaccine doses to States/UTs Free of Cost

Implementation of the Liberalised and Accelerated Phase 3 Strategy of Covid-19 Vaccination has started from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2021. Registration for the new eligible population groups has commenced since 28th April. Potential beneficiaries can either register directly on the CoWIN portal ([cowin.gov.in](http://cowin.gov.in)) or through the Aarogya Setu app.

The Government of India has so far provided nearly 17.02 crore vaccine doses (17,02,42,410) to States/UTs Free of Cost. Of this, the total consumption including wastages is 16,07,94,796 doses (as per data available at 8 am today).

More than 94.47 lakh COVID Vaccine doses (94,47,614) are still available with the States/UTs to be administered.

Further, more than 36 lakh (36,37,030) vaccine doses will be received in addition by the States/UTs within the next 3 days.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716089>



## PM praises healthcare workers and nurses for reducing vaccine waste

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has praised healthcare workers and nurses for setting an example in reducing vaccine wastage. Quoting a tweet from the Chief Minister of Kerala, Pinarayi Vijayan, the Prime Minister tweeted:

“Good to see our healthcare workers and nurses set an example in reducing vaccine wastage. Reducing vaccine wastage is important in strengthening the fight against COVID-19.”

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716107>

## Cabinet approves allocation of additional foodgrain to NFSA Beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (Phase III) for another period of two months – May and June, 2021

The Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has given its ex-post facto approval to the following:

- i. Allocation of additional foodgrain under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana Phase III- for another period of 2 months e. May to June, 2021 @ 5 kg per person per month free of cost for about 79.88 Crore beneficiaries covered under NFSA (AAY & PHH) including those covered under DBT.
- ii. The State/UT-wise allocation in terms of wheat/rice shall be decided by the Department of Food & Public Distribution on the basis of existing allocation ratio under NFSA. Also, the Department of Food and Public Distribution may decide on the extension of the lifting/distribution period under PMGKAY as per operational requirements keeping in view partial and local lockdown situations, and also arising out of adverse weather conditions like monsoon, cyclones, supply chain and Covid-induced constraints etc.

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## MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (MHA) DRAWS ATTENTION OF STATES & UTs ON NEED TO HAVE PLAN OF ACTION TO ENSURE FIRE INCIDENTS DO NOT OCCUR IN HEALTH FACILITIES, PARTICULARLY COVID-19 FACILITIES

The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has drawn the attention of State and Union Territory Governments towards the occurrence of fire incidents, caused by short-circuiting, in hospitals and nursing homes in the recent past.

In a communication today to Chief Secretaries of States and Administrators of Union Territories, the Union Home Secretary has said that in the context of recent fire incidents and particularly in view of the impending summer season it needs to be highlighted that either because of high temperature, lack of maintenance or high load on the internal wirings within the facilities, short circuiting takes place, leading to fire incidents and consequential loss of life and essential infrastructure.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716114>



### 34 Oxygen Expresses complete their journey delivering more than 2067 MT LMO in 137 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 2067MT (approx.) of LMO in 137 tankers to various states across the country.

34 Oxygen Expresses have already completed their journey so far.

For details:<https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716284>

### 70,000 Isolation beds made available by Railways in more than 4400 Covid Care Coaches

The Railways has made available a fleet of more than 4400 Isolation Coaches with around 70,000 beds to serve as Isolation Units. These Isolation Coaches can be easily moved and positioned at places of demand on the Indian Railways network. Quick memorandum agreement of shared responsibilities and rapid action plans are being worked out by Railways with the respective District Authorities.

In the latest update, with the States of Nagaland and Gujarat seeking Isolation Coaches, the Railway has swiftly catered to their demand and positioned the coaches at Sabarmati, Chandlodiya and Dimapur respectively. Alongside adhering to Covid safety protocols, the Railways are also taking utmost efforts to devise ways to facilitate better work-convenience for the State medical personnel on duty. At some locations, the Railway authorities have also provided new logistical solutions like supported ramps on stair-cases for hassle-free transport of sick patients besides facilitative conveniences like make-shift tents, area segregation for better isolation on railway platforms that serve as freeway for movement of medical personnel and supplies in these Covid care facility. It may be pointed out that Railway personnel worked rapidly to rehabilitate some of the ramps on a war-footing.

For details:<https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716261>

### 16.5 lakh vials of Remdesivir allocated between May 3 and May 9

Union Minister of Chemicals & Fertilisers Shri D.V Sadananda Gowda chaired a meeting to review availability of drugs for covid treatment and other essential drugs. Shri Gowda during the meeting appreciated the efforts of all seven manufacturers of Remdesivir for increasing the production capacity to 1.03 crore vials per month, up from 38 lakh vials per month a month ago. This increased capacity will augment domestic availability of the injection. He added that allocation of 16.5 lakh vials of Remdesivir has been made to all States for period between May 3 and May 9. Since April 21, a total allocation of 34.5 lakh vials has been made so far. Allocation to States is a dynamic process and efforts will be made to further enhance supply in the coming weeks.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716165>

### Simplification of procedure for import of oxygen cylinders and cryogenic tankers/ containers





The Government of India has reviewed the existing procedure of registration and approval of global manufacturers for importing oxygen cylinders and cryogenic tankers/ containers by Petroleum and Explosive Safety Organization (PESO). In view of the COVID pandemic, PESO shall not carry out physical inspection of global manufacturers' production facilities before grant of such registration and approval.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716302>

### Covid-19 Vaccination camp organised at Guwahati Airport

The second covid vaccination camp, open for all above 18 years, has been organised at Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport (LGBI) Guwahati. The camp started on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021 and the vaccination is going on in the camp. Over 2000 people have been vaccinated and more are likely to get vaccinated tomorrow. Airports Authority of India in association with National Health Mission, Assam has organised this vaccination camp which was first for many young officers and staff working at Guwahati Airport. The vaccination camp was meant for all the working staff and was also opened for all dependent family members, employees of AAI, airlines, agencies, frontline staff and the stakeholders associated with the LGBI Airport, Guwahati.

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1716242>

### IMPORTANT TWEETS

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For Mild/Asymptomatic #COVID19 cases, Home isolation is recommended. Step by step Illustrated Guidelines on Home isolation may be accessed here: <https://t.co/WMiMFtdRoU> @PMOIndia @drharshvardhan @AshwiniKChoubey @PIB\_India @mygovindia @COVIDNewsByMIB  
— Ministry of Health (@MoHFW\_INDIA) May 5, 2021

Pics of an IAF IL-76 transport aircraft in Singapore today. The IL-76 is picking up 352 empty oxygen cylinders for Delhi. This MHA coordinated exercise will help in increasing oxygen availability amid the current COVID19 surge in Delhi. @HMOIndia @PIB\_India @DDNewslive @ANI  
[pic.twitter.com/eWcyOjuVPU](https://pic.twitter.com/eWcyOjuVPU)


— Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 5, 2021



Continuing its air effort to bring more cryo oxygen containers home in the wake of 2nd Covid 19 wave, yet another IL 76 aircraft reached Bangkok this afternoon. loaded with 3 cryo containers & will reach Panagarh Airbase. MHA and IAF are working together for these airlifts. [pic.twitter.com/yFgH9bOYnC](https://pic.twitter.com/yFgH9bOYnC)

— Spokesperson, Ministry of Home Affairs (@PIBHomeAffairs) May 5, 2021

Ministry of Corporate Affairs clarifies that spending of CSR funds directly or through pooling of resources for 'creating health infrastructure for COVID care are eligible CSR activities.

For more details , read circular dt 5th May, 2021   
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— Ministry of Finance (@FinMinIndia) May 5, 2021

Zonal Customs Nodal officers for clearance of COVID19 related equipments or medicaments.#Unite2FightCorona [pic.twitter.com/N4FmAOZTxJ](https://pic.twitter.com/N4FmAOZTxJ)

— CBIC (@cbic\_india) May 5, 2021

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— PIB WCD (@PIBWCD) May 5, 2021

New Mangalore Port receives @IndianNavy's INS TALWAR, carrying 40 MTs of Liquid Medical Oxygen filled in cryogenic containers donated by the Kingdom of Bahrain.@NewMngPort is handling the #Oxygen cargo on priority basis

Thank you Bahrain BH #IndiaFightsCOVID19 [pic.twitter.com/r10RD7LAoe](https://pic.twitter.com/r10RD7LAoe)

— Mansukh Mandaviya (@mansukhmandviya) May 5, 2021



Import of Oxygen Concentrators for personal use included in exempted category list <https://t.co/EbrvylVbDd>

— PIB\_Commerce (@CommercePib) May 5, 2021

## **INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES**

**Maharashtra:** Maharashtra Health Minister Rajesh Tope on Tuesday said 15 districts, including Mumbai and Thane, are showing a decline in daily COVID-19 cases, but other districts are still exhibiting an upward trend in the state. In view of the increasing number of patients in Kolhapur, it has been decided to impose strict lockdown for the next 10 days starting from tomorrow. The Maharashtra government and the BMC has written two separate letters to the Centre highlighting their daily oxygen requirement.

**Gujarat:** Gujarat recorded 13,050 new cases yesterday. Gujarat government has put 7 more cities - under night curfew from tomorrow. These cities are Deesa, Ankleshwar, Vapi, Modasa, Radhanpur, Kadi and Visangar. Now, total 36 cities of the state are under 8 pm to 6 am curfew from 6th to 12th May. Meanwhile, after suspending vaccination for 45 plus age group for a day, Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation has announced to resume it from today. Meanwhile, Railway has deployed 19 isolation coaches at Sabarmati and Chandlodia in Ahmedabad.

**Rajasthan:** Chief Secretary Niranjana Arya said that due to the coordinated efforts of the State Government, oxygen availability in the state was getting better. He informed that the number of tankers transporting oxygen has increased from 22 to 38 and delivery of oxygen concentrators had also started. Nearly after a month, there has been a dip in daily infections for the third consecutive day on Tuesday. From 18,298 and 17,296 cases, respectively, over the past two days, the state recorded 16,974 new cases on the day. A total of 154 people also died in the state on Tuesday.

**Madhya Pradesh:** Madhya Pradesh reported 12,236 fresh COVID cases yesterday taking the tally to 6,12,666. The vaccination of people aged between 18 and 44 years of age is also being held in all the districts of the state from today. The state's positivity rate has come down to 19.1 percent. Active cases in the state stands at 86,639 while 11,249 people recovered from the infection yesterday. Deputy Director State IEC Bureau, informed that vaccination will be done in a phased manner throughout the state as per the availability of vaccines. Vaccination will be done on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 9 am to 5 pm.

**Chhattisgarh:** In Chhattisgarh, the lockdown has been extended in all 28 districts for ten days to break the chain of the spread of COVID infection. The state government has made two categories of the districts on the basis of number of corona infection cases. In the first category, there are 26 districts, where the pace of corona infection has not slowed down. These include all seven districts of tribal Bastar division.



The lockdown will continue vigorously in these districts. In the bordering districts of the state, along with strict monitoring of people coming from other states, health check-ups will be done. While addressing the virtual meeting of mitanins and health workers from Bastar and Sarguja division, Chief Minister has directed all the District Collectors to ensure free of cost availability of masks and hand sanitizer for mitanins and health workers.

**Goa:** Prime Minister Modi has asked Goa govt to carry out oxygen audit of the state informed CM Pramod Sawant today. As per PM's instruction he has given instructions to the administration to carry out the oxygen audit of entire state of Goa with detailed information related to Goa's present and future requirement, amount generated and imported, patient wise usage, measures for minimizing leakage and misuse, additional sources which can be tapped, possibility of re-commissioning non-working plants etc. Goa govt issued order listing fresh restrictions to be enforced till May 10. The order has prohibited restaurants and shops selling non-essential items.

**Kerala:** CM Pinarayi Vijayan has sought Centre's help for allocating at least 1,000 metric tonnes of imported liquefied medical oxygen to the state. As the state's single day Covid-19 surge crossed over 37,000 yesterday, Oxygen beds and ventilators are getting filled up. IC Units and ventilators are full in government hospitals. 85% of the Covid beds are full in private hospitals. The state expert committee has warned that the number of Covid patients in the state is likely to go up or remain static in the next two weeks. The average TPR of last one week is 25.19. Four lakh doses of Covishield vaccine has arrived in the state. 63,558 people took vaccine yesterday. So far, altogether 75,91,524 people have been vaccinated in the state. Out of this, 61,15,207 were first dose and 14,76,317 second dose.

**Tamil Nadu:** TN received about 75,000 doses of Covaxin and as many as 20,000 vials of Covishield on Tuesday. Four days after officially deferring the drive, the State opened up vaccination registration for people aged 18-44 years from Tuesday; but govt facilities are yet to give slots. At least 13 patients died at Chengalpattu Government Hospital in Chengalpattu, Tamil Nadu on Tuesday night; an inquiry is underway to ascertain the cause of the deaths. Ahead of the new restrictions that are to be imposed across the State from Thursday, local residents expressed hope that the new measures would help curb the rising number of pandemic cases in the city. Tamil Nadu recorded 21,228 positive cases of Covid-19 on Tuesday, bringing the state tally to 12,49,292. The state recorded 144 deaths on Tuesday, putting the state toll at 14,612. The state vaccinated 65,684 people yesterday. Till date 61,88,845 have been vaccinated across the State, of which 47,30,022 received first dose and 14,58,823 received second dose.

**Karnataka:** New Cases Reported: 44631; Total Active Cases: 464363; New Covid Deaths: 292; Total Covid Deaths: 16538. Around 36,344 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 99,36,0048 have been vaccinated in the state till now. The state government has postponed the second PU exam in the wake of the corona infection, and has decided to promote the first PU students without exam. The Southwestern Railway's Bangalore Division has given 10,082 doses of vaccine to its staff and officers so far. Covid Care Centers (CCC) are being set up by the Air Force and BMRCCL. The state cabinet has decided to treat media personnel working during the Covid times as frontline workers and give free vaccine.

**Andhra Pradesh:** The State reported 20,034 new Covid-19 cases after testing 1,15,784 samples with 82 deaths, while 12,207 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 67,42,700 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 51,98,955 first dose and 15,43,745 second doses. The state is received another five lakh doses of Covishield vaccine yesterday





from Serum Institute of India, Pune. Principal Secretary, Health, stated that the State will receive 9 lakh vaccine doses by May 15, and priority will be given to complete vaccination of those who already took the first dose. Govt has decided to complete inoculation of beneficiaries of above 45 years first owing to limited availability of Covid vaccine in the State. Owing to partial curfew in force from today in the state, all public transport including APSRTC buses and interstate services will be suspended from noon. Meanwhile, the State forest department has announced the closure of all zoo parks.

**Telangana:** A total of 47,481 people of all categories received first dose and 18,070 second dose of Covid vaccine yesterday in the state. Now, the cumulative number of people received first dose in the state stands at 42,24,880 and second dose at 6,55,455. Meanwhile, as many as 6,361 new daily cases and 51 deaths were reported in the state yesterday taking the total number of positive cases in the state to 4,69,722 and fatalities to 2,527. Now, the number of Active Cases in the state stands at 77,704. The State Government has decided to permit private hospitals in the state to carry out the Covid vaccination drive for the people aged above 45 years. But these hospitals will have to procure vaccines on their own directly from the Pharma companies. The State Government has not yet decided on the third phase of vaccination programme to inoculate the people aged between 18 and 44 years.

**Assam:** Assam has recorded 4475 new COVID-19 cases on Tuesday. Giving an update on the COVID situation in the state, Assam Health Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma tweeted that 41 deaths have been recorded and Kamrup Metropolitan in Guwahati registered highest 1417 COVID cases. The positivity rate stands at 8.14%.

Amid a shortage of vaccines, the State Health Department plans to roll out the third phase of the COVID-19 immunization drive for the age group 18-44 in the districts from May 7. Health Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma has sounded an alert saying that the COVID-19 situation across the State is turning critical with the numbers of both the positive cases and deaths increasing. Curfew will be imposed from 6 pm to 5 am and all shops, business establishments as well as offices will close down at 2 pm from May 5, according to a new order issued by the Assam State Disaster Management Authority.

**Manipur:** In Manipur, the highest single day surge of 432 COVID-19 positive cases recorded with two more deaths. Additional restrictions have been imposed in Greater Imphal areas. Movement of vehicles banned even between 6 am and 10 am in order to contain the spread of COVID-19. To help the State fight COVID-19, eleven institutions have been identified for setting up as Community Home Isolation Centres (CHICs) in Imphal West district.

**Meghalaya:** The state on Tuesday recorded an all-time high of 339 fresh cases taking the active tally past the 2,000-mark. Asked if the government would plan more stringent measures to contain the spread of the virus, Deputy Chief Minister Prestone Tynsong said that the government was reviewing the situation every day.

He also announced that the Meghalaya government will vaccinate everyone aged 18-44 years for free. Meghalaya has not yet started it although the enrollment of beneficiaries is underway.

**Nagaland:** The State registered the highest single day spike of COVID-19 cases with 266 and 3 fatalities on Tuesday. Active cases are 1798 while tally goes up to 14,717.

A total of 2,16,761 doses of COVID vaccine have been administered to 1,71,207 beneficiaries in Nagaland so far. Of them, 51,004 are frontline workers, 14,919 health professionals and 1,05,284 persons above 45 yrs and senior citizens.



New containment restrictions come into force in Dimapur, Kohima from 7 pm today. Dimapur to go for odd-even vehicle rule.

Newly set up oxygen plants at Naga Hospital Authority, Kohima to be functional within 2 days. Plant will generate 4,32,000 litres of oxygen per day.

**Tripura:** Total of 271 new COVID-19 positive cases registered in the last 24 hours and of which 172 are from the west Tripura district. As of today active cases for the state stands at 1,666. Tripura CM informed that 4 Lakhs vaccine doses to arrive soon.

**Sikkim:** The 56 vaccination sites open across the State administered a total of 2,417 vaccine doses on Tuesday. With this, the number of doses administered in Sikkim now stands at 2,10,281. Sikkim's COVID-19 death-toll has gone up to 150, Daily cases stay above 230. There are new 1,930 active cases of Coronavirus in Sikkim. Of these, 10 patients are admitted in the ICU facility of STNM Hospital. One more death was recorded in the State during the same 24 hours, taking the State's official death toll to 151.

**Punjab:** The total number of patients tested Positive is 399556. Number of active cases is 61935. Total Deaths reported is 9645. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 686286. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 197832. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2377998. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 246446.

**Haryana:** Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 543559. Total active COVID-19 patients is 108830. Number of deaths is 4779. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 3971532.

**Chandigarh:** Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases is 45976. Total number of Active Cases is 8170. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 518.

**Himachal Pradesh:** Total number of patients tested COVID positive till date is 110945. Total number of Active Cases is 23572. Total deaths reported till date is 1647.

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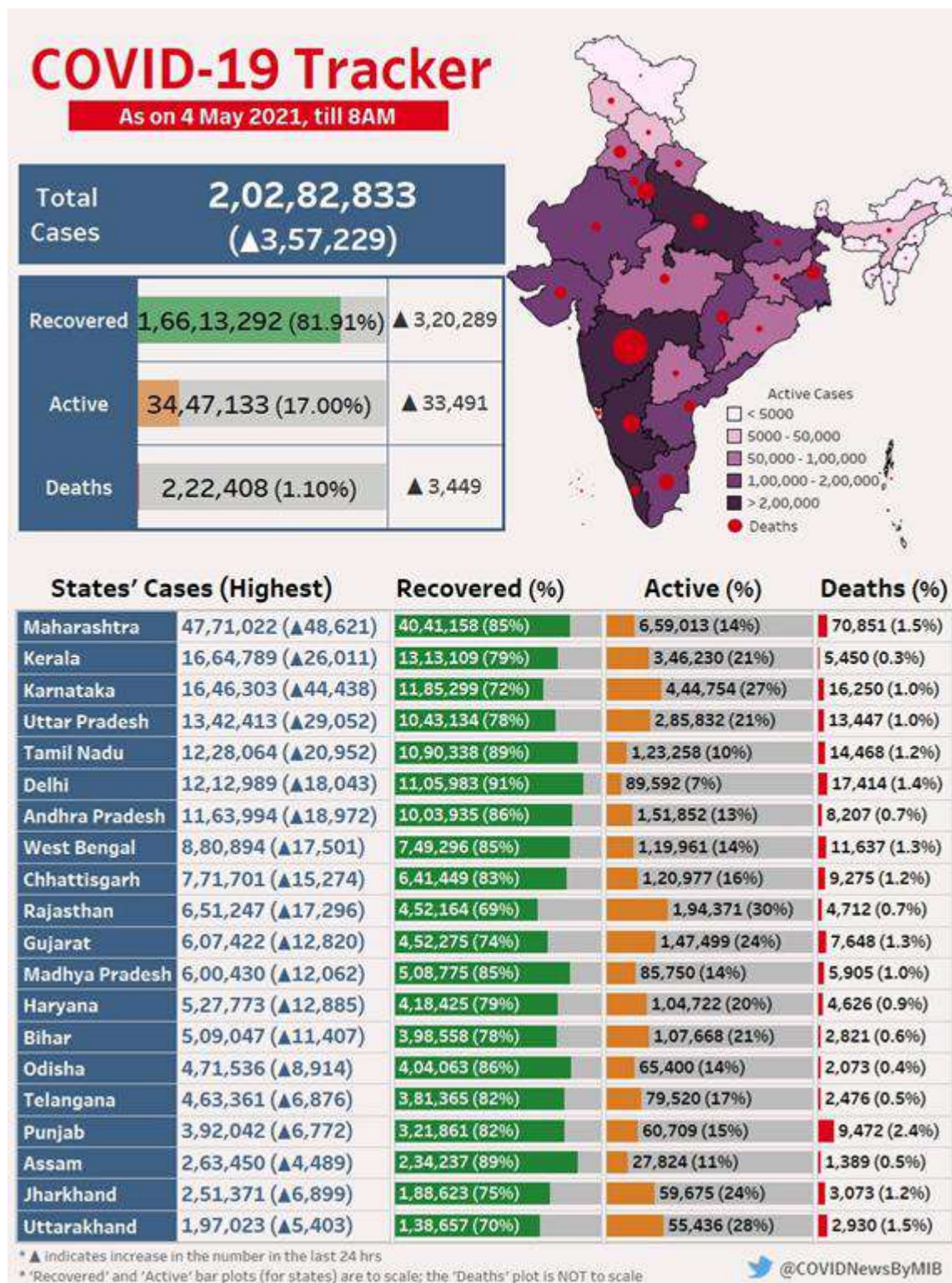


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## India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 15.89 Crore as Phase-3 of Nationwide Vaccination Drive commences

- **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 !  
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— Mansukh Mandaviya (@mansukhmandviya) May 4, 2021

Importing COVID related equipments or medicaments through courier!

For expeditious customs clearance, ensure the following points   
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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](https://pic.twitter.com/I54wEscXNV)

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### **INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES**

**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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Can thermal scanners detect infected people ?

**FACT**  
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# PIB'S BULLETIN ON COVID-19

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- On a steadily growing path, over 3 Lakh Recoveries in the last 24 hour
- PM authorises key decisions to boost the availability of medical personnel to fight COVID-19
- Facing once in century challenge head on, 20 Oxygen Expresses complete their journey, delivering 1125 MT (approx.) LMO in 76 tankers
- 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

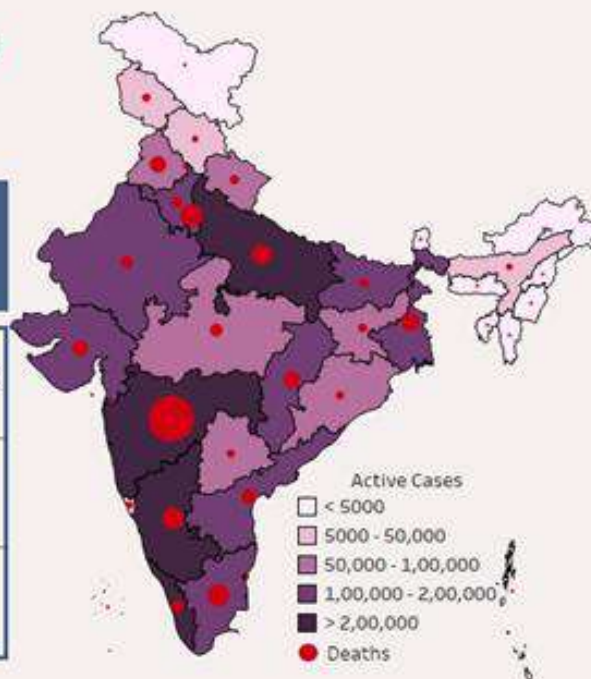
**1,62,93,003 (81.77%)** ▲ 3,00,732

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.

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### **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.

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### **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

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### **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.

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### **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.

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## **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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. It would also covers goods already imported but lying uncleared on the date of its issuance of exemption i.e. today.

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### **INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES**

**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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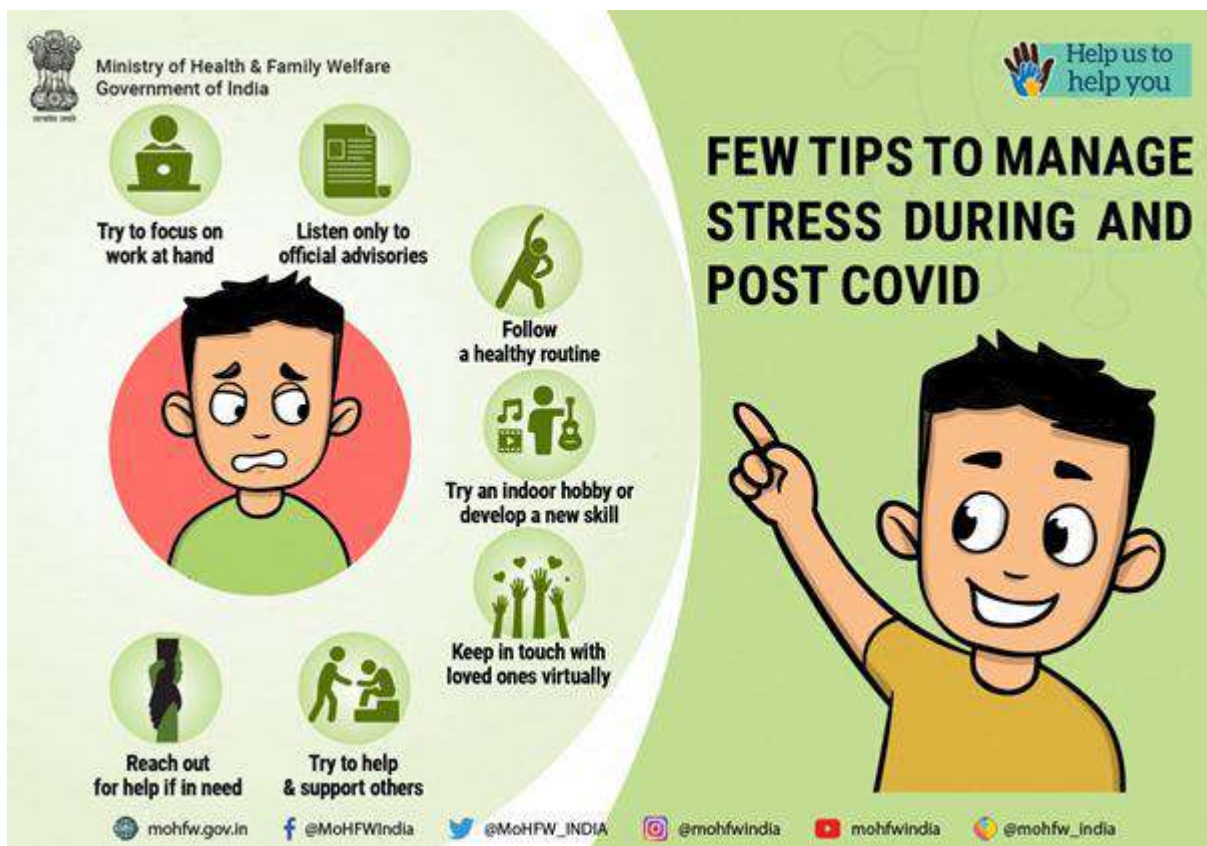
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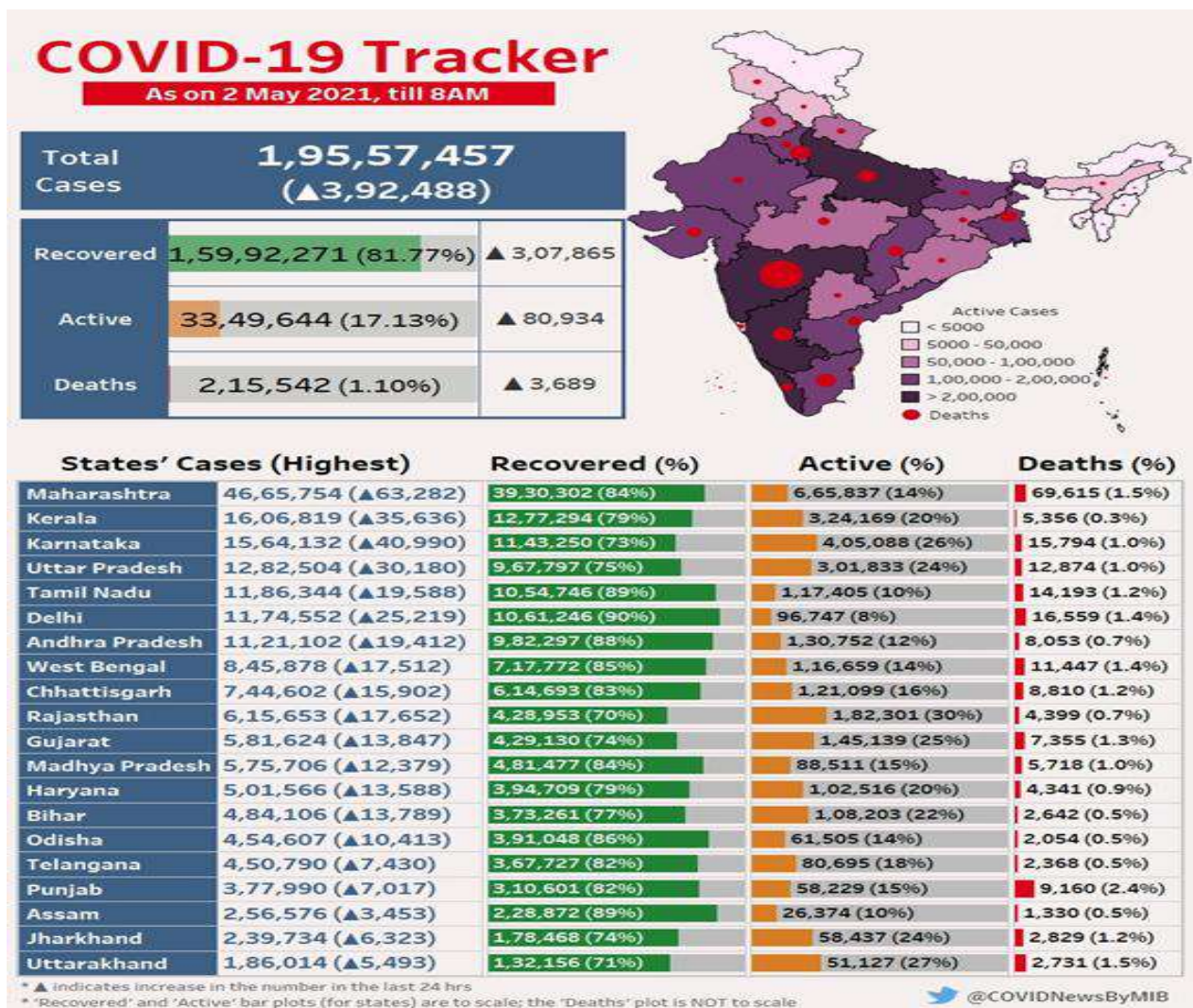
- COVID19 vaccine doses administered in the country has crossed 15.68 Cr today
- PM reviews progress of converting Nitrogen plants into Oxygen Plants
- PM reviews usage of gaseous oxygen for medical purposes
- Cabinet Secretary reviews state of COVID-19 preparedness in Delhi
- Delhi receives its 2nd Oxygen Express with 120 MT Liquid Oxygen

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### India's Cumulative Vaccination Coverage exceeds 15.68 Crore as Phase-3 of Nationwide Vaccination Drive commences

- The cumulative number of COVID19 vaccine doses administered in the country has crossed **15.68 Cr** today as the Phase-3 of the nationwide Vaccination Drive commenced yesterday.
- **More than 18 lakh vaccination doses were administered in the last 24 hours.**
- **The National Mortality Rate has been falling and currently stands at 1.10%.**
- **Four States/UTs have not reported any COVID19 deaths in the last 24 hours.** These are D&D & D&N, Lakshadweep, Arunachal Pradesh and Mizoram.

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### PM reviews progress of converting Nitrogen plants to Oxygen Plants

The process of converting the existing Pressure Swing Absorption (PSA) nitrogen plants for production of oxygen was discussed. On deliberation with the industries, so far 14 industries have been identified where conversion of plants is under progress. Further 37 Nitrogen plants have been also identified with the help of industry associations.





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**PM reviews usage of Gaseous Oxygen for Medical Purposes**

Many industries like Steel plants, refineries with petrochemical units, industries using rich combustion process, power plants etc have oxygen plants which produce gaseous oxygen which is used in the process. This oxygen can be tapped for medical use. It is expected that around 10,000 oxygenated beds can be made available in a short period of time by making temporary hospitals near such plants.

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**Cabinet Secretary reviews state of COVID-19 preparedness in Delhi**

Shri Rajiv Gauba, Cabinet Secretary, Government of India, today reviewed various aspects of COVID-19 preparedness in Delhi. Officials of the Government of NCT of Delhi (GNCTD) made a presentation in the meeting, covering issues of recent trends in active cases, deaths and positivity rate; availability and expansion plans of medical infrastructure; status of oxygen availability; home isolation procedures and helpline; ambulance services; and testing.

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**Delhi receives its 2nd Oxygen Express with 120 MT Liquid Oxygen**

Indian Railways has now delivered 1094 MT of LMO in 74 tankers to various states across the country. 19 Oxygen Expresses have already completed their journey and 2 more loaded Oxygen Express are on the run carrying 61.46 MT (approx.) of LMO in 4 tankers.

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**Railways work swiftly to deploy 10 Isolation Coaches at Dimapur today in keeping State Govt of Nagaland's demand**

Strengthening the capabilities of the nation in the united fight against Covid, the Ministry of Railways has, amongst its multi-pronged initiatives, deployed nearly 4000 Isolation Coaches with almost 64000 beds. 213 Isolation Coaches in use in different parts of India now. As on date more than 3200 free beds available in these Isolation Coaches

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

More than 78 lakh doses are still available with the States/UTs to be administered. More than 56 Lakh doses in addition will be received by the States/UTs in the next 3 days.

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Govt announces various relief measures for tax payers under GST law in light of the severe pandemic.

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