

# **Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)** Situation Update Report – 115

#### June 15, 2022

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Health Ministry flags considerable decline in COVID-19 Vaccination in some States/UTs (Link)
- Union Minister of H & FW addresses World Economic Forum on 'Unlocking the power of Digital Health' and 'Closing the Vaccines Gap' (<u>Link</u>)
- Union Health Minister interacts with State Health Ministers; reviews stat us and progress under "HarGharDastak 2.0" (Link)
- Cabinet approves Memorandum of Understanding signed between India and USA in the field of health sector (Link)
- Union Health Minister interacts with officials of regional PIB, DD, AIR and regional media persons; lauds for their role during the pandemic (Link)

#### **INDIA SITUATION**

• As of 14 June 2022, India reported a total of 43,236,695 confirmed cases, with 524,777 deaths. Currently, the number of cases per million is 30,428.



## **COVID-19: STATUS ACROSS STATES**

- There have been 51,646 new cases recorded in the country in the last seven days, with Maharashtra reporting the most (18,229, or 35% of total cases), followed by Kerala (15,118) and Delhi (4,435).
- In the past week (1-7 June), as compared to the previous week (8-14 June), 30 states have shown an increase in cases, while 4 states have shown a decline. Larger declines were reported from Manipur (-60%), Arunachal Pradesh (-33%), and Jharkhand (-29%).
- More than 100% increase is now seen in 13 states, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Delhi, West Bengal, Punjab Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, J & K, Assam, Ladakh, Sikkim, Meghalaya and Nagaland.
- More than 20% TPR is seen in 6 states, (Mizoram 3 districts (Saitual, Mamit and Kolasib), Mumbai in Maharashtra and Namsai in Arunachal Pradesh and Umaria in MP.

WHO Situation Update

India 43,236,695 Confirmed Cases 524,777 Total Deaths

South East Asia Region 58,260,872 Confirmed Cases 789,296 Total Deaths

World 533,816,957 Confirmed Cases 6,309,633 Deaths

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- India has reported 5,24,777 COVID-19 deaths with case fatality rate (CFR) of 1.21%. Maharashtra has reported highest number of COVID-19 deaths (1,47,871) followed by Kerala (69,835) and Karnataka (40,108).
- In the past week, India has reported 69 deaths, of which the highest were in Kerala (39) followed by Delhi (9) and Maharashtra (5). Seven states Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Sikkim, Assam, Delhi and Rajasthan have all shown increase in deaths while five states have shown decline in deaths.
- Higher declines were reported from Karnataka, Nagaland (-100% each) and Mizoram (-50%). Punjab has reported highest CFR (2.3%) followed by Nagaland (2.1%), Maharashtra (1.9%), Uttarakhand (1.8%), Meghalaya (1.7%) and Goa (1.6%).
- Since 1st week of June 2022, Kolkata, Punjab and Lucknow in addition to Mumbai and Delhi are showing an increase in sewage positivity for SARS-CoV-2.

## WHO GLOBAL UPDATE

- WHO issued an emergency use listing (EUL) for CONVIDECIA, a vaccine manufactured by CanSino Biologics, China, for the prevention of COVID-19 caused by SARS-CoV-2, details <u>here</u>
- COVAX calls for urgent action to close vaccine equity gap by easing global supply constraints and inequities between lower and higher income countries , detailed <u>here</u>
- ACT-Accelerator Facilitation Council co-chairs welcome financial and policy commitments made at the Second Global COVID-19 Summit for a global public good- ending the COVID-19 pandemic, and establishing a solidarity-based system to prevent, prepare for and respond to future health emergencies, detail <u>here</u>
- Preparedness enabled massive reach of online learning for COVID-19 commissioned by WHO, details here
- WHO, with the support of Strategic Advisory Group of Experts (SAGE) on Immunization and its COVID-19 Vaccines Working Group, issued interim statement on hybrid immunity and increasing population seroprevalence rates, details <u>here</u>

### **Transmission & Variants**

- The Omicron VOC continues to be the dominant variant circulating globally, accounting for nearly all sequences reported to GISAID in the last 30 days. Among Omicron lineages, as of epidemiological week 20 (15 to 21 May 2022), BA.2 and its descendent lineages (pooled lineages named BA.2.X) are declining but remain dominant, accounting for 44% and 19% respectively.
- Globally, BA.2.12.1, BA.5, and BA.4 variants are rising in prevalence. As of week 20, BA.2.12.1 (detected in 53 countries) has reached a prevalence of 28%. BA.5 (detected in 47 countries) and BA.4 (detected in 42 countries) account for 4% and 2% of circulating variants, respectively. All three variants carry the signature mutation at locus S:L452 that is thought to confer greater transmissibility. While there has been no observed increase in severity associated with BA.5 and BA.4, no evidence is available at the current time on disease severity associated with BA.2.12.1.
- For the last two months in India, Omicron has been the dominant variant with 98.4 percent, and BA.2 being the major sub lineage with 74.5 percent. Other Omicron sub-lineages reported include BA.2.10 (3.5 percent), BA.2.12.1 (2.4%), BA.3 (2.2 percent), B.1.1.529 (2.1%), and others (12.6 percent). Omicron BA.4 and BA.5 have recently been recorded from a few Indian states (Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Maharashtra, Delhi & Gujarat) accounting for 0.4% & 0.5% respectively.

### TESTING

- India has so far conducted over 85.58 crore tests (RT-PCR & RAT); 4,40,278 in the last 24 hours.
- Weekly positivity rate in the country currently stands at 2.35% and daily positivity rate is 2%. (Source: https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1834083).



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## **COVID-19 VACCINATION**

• India's COVID-19 vaccination coverage has exceeded 195.50 crore (1,95,50,87,271) as per provisional reports till 15 June 2022. The cumulative coverage of vaccine doses, segregated based on population priority groups, is as follows:



• More than 193.53 crore (1,93,53,58,865) vaccine doses have been provided to States/UTs so far through Govt. of India (free of cost channel) and through direct state procurement category.

• More than 13.40 crore (13,40,04,935) balance and unutilized COVID-19 Vaccine doses are still available with the States/UTs to be administered. *Source: https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1834084* 

# IMPORTANT GUIDELINES/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

- Understanding the behavioral and social drivers of vaccine uptake WHO position paper (LINK)
- COVID-19 & mandatory vaccination: Ethical considerations (LINK)
- Maintaining infection prevention & control measures for COVID-19 in health care facilities: Policy brief (LINK)
- Severity of disease associated with Omicron variant as compared with Delta variant in hospitalized patients with suspected or confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection (LINK)
- Technical guidance for antigenic SARS-CoV-2 monitoring (LINK) Click to access latest publications from WHO and MoHFW

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