

# **Health Sector Response to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)**

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The first case of COVID-19 was reported from Hubei Province of China on 31 December 2019. Till 24 February, a total of 79331 people have been confirmed of COVID-19 and it has taken life of 2618 people including 23 cases outside China. This disease has spread over 29 countries outside China.

## **Current Global status on COVID-19**

COVID-19 Cases	Cumulative as	New cases on		
COAID-19 Cases	of 24 Feb 2020	23 Feb	24 Feb	
Global	Global			
Confirmed	79331	1017	715	
Deaths	2618	103	156	
China (Includes Hong Kor	hina (Includes Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR and Taipei and environs)			
Confirmed	77262	650	415	
Deaths	2595	97	150	
Outside China	utside China			
Confirmed	2069	367	300	
Deaths	23	6	6*	
*Note: Republic of Korea (2), Iran (3), International conveyance - Diamond Princess, Japan (1)				

Confirmed cases by se	onfirmed cases by selected countries of concern			
Republic of Korea	763	256	161	
Thailand	35	0	0	
Malaysia	22	0	0	
Singapore	89	3	0	
Japan	144	27	12	
Italy	124	67	48	
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	43	10	15	

Countries reporting COVID-19 cases	29	0	1 (Kuwait)
Source: WHO's Situation F			

Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) has been declared on 30 January 2020; however, restriction in international traffic and trade is not recommended.

Current status on COVID-19, Nepal (\*as of 25 Feb 2020, 16:00)

<b>Total Samples Tested:</b>	Negative:	*Positive:
217	216	1

\*Note: The positive case is now recovered as per the laboratory test result of 29 and 31 January 2020 at National Public Health Laboratory, Teku

\*This includes samples collected from Quarantine (All 175 samples tested negative)

#### **Quarantine Update**

#### Day 10 of Quarantine

All 175 Nepalese in Quarantine center have regular temperature checks. Everyone is apparently healthy. All 175 evacuees will undergo second test at the end of the quarantine period of 14 days (29th February 2020) and further actions will be taken as per the test results which is expected to come on 2nd of March 2020.

**COVID-19 Hotline:** Public concerns regarding COVID-19 are being addressed via 3 hotlines (9851255839, 9851255837, 9851255834) from 8:00 to 20:00 hrs.

### **Provincial Updates:**

Health desk are operational at the main land borders crossing with China, India and at Airports; Hospitals have prepared the Hospital Disaster Preparedness and Response Plan and isolation facilities.

Hospitals are also directed to comply with the algorithm and protocol prepared by the Ministry of Health and Population.

**Screening and Surveillance:** Temperature of travellers coming from China, Republic of Korea, Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore is being measured through thermal scanner established at Tribhuvan International Airport (TIA) Health desk; temperature measured >100.4° F are being sent to Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital for further investigation and treatment; People reporting fever, cough or shortness of breath at TIA Health Desk or Teku Hospital are further investigated, treated, counselled and monitored on a regular basis.

**IEC:** Information, Education and Communication materials regarding COVID-19 are distributed in key locations as well as message - based awareness notifications have been spreading via radio and television up to Federal, Province and Local Level on a regular basis.

#### Resources:

Additional resources on COVID-19 can be accessed via MoHP/HEOC or EDCD Web Portals/ Social Media Page.

Kindly click the link below for detail resources and information.



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