



**Government of Nepal**  
**Ministry of Health and Population**  
**Health Sector Response to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)**  
Wednesday | 26 Chaitra 2076 (8<sup>th</sup> April 2020)

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**Major activities:**

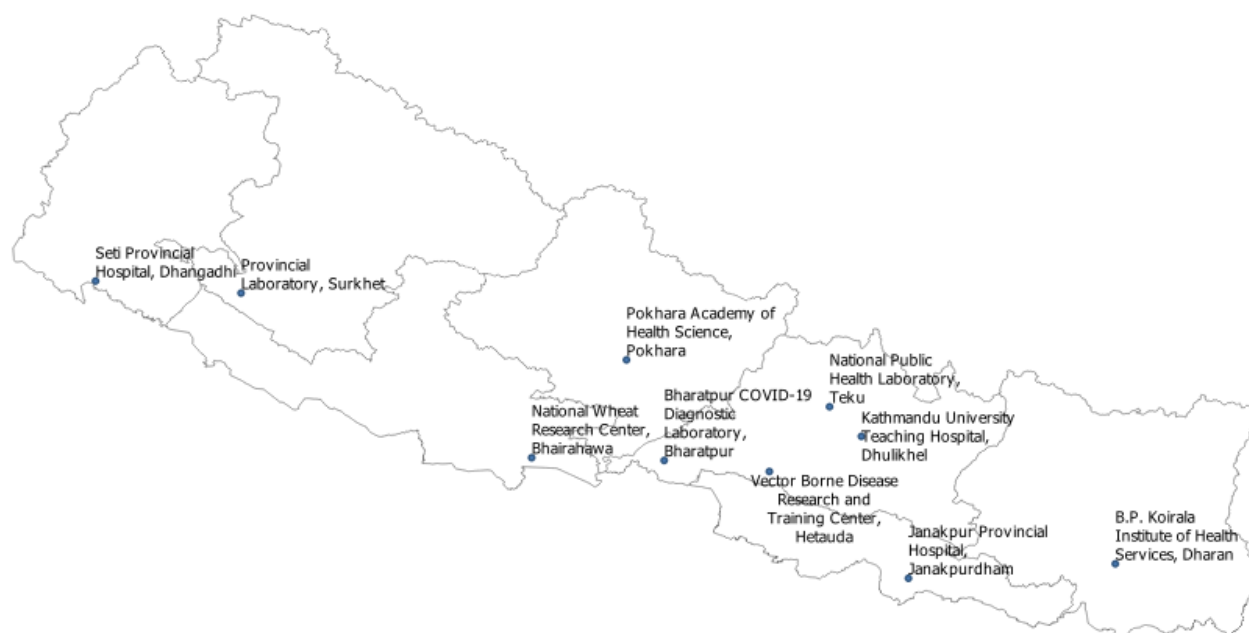
- Honorable Minister for Ministry of Health and Population discussed with honorable ministers for Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Urban Development; Ministry of Land Management, Cooperatives and Poverty Alleviation; and Ministry of Water Supply and Sanitation about strengthening inter-ministerial coordination against COVID-19.
- Honorable Minister for Ministry of Health and Population (MoHP) discussed with International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) on COVID-19 pandemic management. In the discussion Honorable Minister requested the INGOs to provide their support primarily prioritizing PPE, PCR Reagent, VTM and thermal gun supplies.
- Department of Health Services (DoHS) has issued a public notice on 25th Chaitra 2076 (7 April 2020) for the procurement of twenty-three medicines and medical products, including PPE, for prevention and treatment of COVID-19.
- Chaudhary Foundation has provided 1000 units of PCR reagents to the Ministry of Health and Population that can be used for testing COVID-19 in designated laboratories.
- A three-member team led by 11<sup>th</sup> grade health officials has been deployed in each of the seven provinces to manage logistics and human resources for control, identification and treatment of COVID-19.
- MoHP has mobilized 11 health professionals from National Health Research Council (NHRC), Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and National Public Health Laboratory (NPHL) to speed up Rapid Diagnostic Test (RDT) of COVID-19 in Kailali and Kanchanpur. Collection of throat swabs and blood samples from 198 people in quarantine of Godavari, GhodaGhodi, Josipur, Bhajani, and Lamki municipality of Kailali and Bhimdatta, Shuklaphanta and Krishnapur municipality of Kanchanpur has been completed. MoHP is also planning to mobilize teams to Baglung and Butwal for RDT.
- 802 samples were collected from different places outside Kathmandu Valley including Jumla, Achham and Surkhet yesterday. Similarly, more than 300 samples are being collected in Dipayal (Doti) today.
- CCMC – Operation Committee has arranged 100 isolation beds and 6 ICU beds at Nepal Armed Police Force Hospital and Chhauni based Nepal Army Hospital for treatment of COVID-19 patients.
- District level Crisis Management Centers have been established and are operational in all 77 districts for the effective management of COVID-19 prevention, control and treatment activities.
- To expand large scale COVID-19 testing outside Kathmandu Valley, high capacity PCR machines are in the process of installation in Dhangadhi (Sudurpaschim Province), Pokhara (Gandaki Province) and Nepalgunj (Province 5).

**Logistics Management:** Department of Health Services (DoHS) has been supplying necessary items such as disinfectant sprayer pump, PPE, N95 masks, gowns, goggles, gloves, thermometer as per the demand and need.

S.N	Medical Items	Total Distributed	S.N	Medical Items	Total Distributed
1.	Shoe Cover	4163	14.	Gown	4979
2.	Protective Goggles	1031	15.	Gown (Reusable)	120
3.	Gloves	26194	16.	Sodium Hypochlorite Solution	30
4.	Mask	576373	17.	IR Thermometer (CA)	100
5.	IR Thermometer	62	18.	N95 Mask (B)	1800
6.	Disinfectant tab	350	19.	Gumboot	50
7.	N95 Mask (A)	3076	20.	Gown (K)	7070
8.	Face Shield	2409	21.	Surgical Gloves (K)	70000
9.	Sanitizer	753	22.	Ear Thermometer	0
10.	PPE set (full)	613	23.	Portable Ventilator	1
11.	PPE Gown	395	24.	Chloroquine Phosphate	0
12.	Sprayer Pump	17	25.	Chlorine NaDCC 45/55	400
13.	Face mask	3342	<i>As of 25 Chaitra 2076 (7 April 2020), 18:00 hrs</i>		

**Expansion of laboratory service:** In addition to National Public Health Laboratory (NPHL), Teku, COVID 19 lab test through PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) are functional in 10 institutions of all seven provinces.

## COVID-19 Sample Testing Laboratories



**Information and communication:** Today, a total of 3306 people received services from two COVID-19 call centers (1115 and 1133).

Number of patients at hospitals treating COVID-19 cases		
Hospitals	Patients in isolation	Patients in ICU
Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital	5	0
Patan Hospital	0	0
Armed Police Force Hospital (COVID-19 Unified Command Hospital)	7	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

*As of 26<sup>th</sup> Chaitra 2076 (8<sup>th</sup> April 2020), 13:00hrs*

ILI/SARI cases reported from EWARS sentinel sites	
Date	ILI/SARI cases
03 April	92
04 April	30
05 April	43
06 April	53
07 April	45

*As of 26<sup>th</sup> Chaitra 2076 (8<sup>th</sup> April 2020), 14:30hrs*

**Laboratory Test:** Till date, nine people have been reported as positive for COVID-19 confirmed by laboratory tests. No new cases were reported today. The first infected person has recovered and has resumed normal life, while the remaining eight infected cases are receiving COVID-19 treatment in designated hospitals.

Laboratory Test Status						
Laboratory	Total specimen tested		Positive		Negative till today	Results awaiting today
	Total as of today	New	Total as of today	New		
National Public Health Lab, Teku	1965	169	9	0	1956	
Bisheshwor Prasad Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Dharan	83	18	0	0	83	40
Janakpur Provincial Hospital, Janakpur	18	3	0	0	18	4
Pokhara Academy of Health Science, Pokhara	74	24	0	0	74	82
Surkhet Provincial Hospital, Surkhet	71	12	0	0	71	18
Seti Provincial Hospital, Dhangadi	26	7	0	0	26	0
Vector Borne Disease Research and Training centre, Hetauda	51	11	0	0	51	3
Kathmandu University Teaching Hospital, Dhulikhel	17	0	0	0	17	8
National Wheat Research Program, Bhairahawa*	28	0	0	0	28	8
Bharatpur COVID-19 Diagnostic Laboratory, Chitwan	33	12	0	0	33	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>2366</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2357</b>	<b>179</b>

*\*As there was mistake in yesterday's report, it has been fixed today.*

Province-wise details on quarantine, isolation and laboratory test										
Province	No. of quarantine beds	No. of patients in quarantine	No. of isolation beds	No. of patients in isolation	Status of swab tests till 25th Chaitra 2076				Total swab collected (25 Chaitra 2076)	No. of PPE Gown in stock
					Negative	Positive	Report awaiting	Total		
Province 1	3880	750	432	21	85	0	5	90	5	1192
Province 2	3227	979	294	22	103	0	16	119	6	1511
Bagmati Province	4333	389	958	29	331	0	208	539	131	525
Gandaki Province	4715	918	265	6	130	2	48	180	32	1084
Province 5	5116	2602	512	34	108	0	41	149	36	1008
Karnali Province	2788	692	466	1	93	0	501	594	501	1539
Sudurpaschim Province	12412	2250	274	9	140	4	85	229	214	918
<b>Total</b>	<b>36471</b>	<b>8580</b>	<b>3201</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>904</b>	<b>1900</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>7777</b>

Note: This report does not include information from hospitals in Kathmandu valley.  
Source: NEOC, Ministry of Home Affairs and Provincial Health Directorate, 25th Chaitra 2076 (7th April 2020)

#### Standards and Guidelines:

- 1) [Guideline on the use of Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\) in the context of COVID-19](#)
- 2) [COVID-19 SOP, Case Investigation and Tracing form](#)
- 3) [Protocol for ILI clinics \(COVID-19 screening fever clinics\)](#)
- 4) [COVID-19 Patient Transport Team \(PTT\) Guideline to transport COVID-19 patients to hospitals and treatment centers](#)
- 5) [Interim Clinical Guidance and Infection Prevention and Control Guideline for health institutions attending COVID-19 patients](#)
- 6) [Brief procedure for the management of the bodies of people who died due to Covid 29](#)
- 7) [Flow diagram for testing returnees for COVID-19 \(RDT or PCR\)](#)
- 8) [Guideline on sample collection from people on COVID-19 quarantine](#)
- 9) [Wondfo SARS-CoV-2 Antibody Test Procedure](#)

**General public are requested to follow personal safety measures and stay at home during the lockdown period as advised by the Government of Nepal.**