

Government of Nepal Ministry of Health and Population



Health Sector Response to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Thursday | 11 Baisakh 2077 (23rd April 2020)

Major Activities

 In the presence of Honorable State Minister, Ministry of Health and Population, Mr Nawaraj Rawat, Nepal participated in a video conference held today with the Health Ministers of SAARC countries, where countries' experiences and lessons learned on prevention and control of COVID-19 were shared.





Health Ministers from SAARC countries in a video conference

- Ministry of Health and Population participated in a video conference on COVID-19 Information Session organized by World Health Organization Headquarters.
- Weekly Health Cluster Virtual Meeting was held with Provincial Health Operation Centre (PHEOC) of all Provinces.
- A guideline on <u>"Safety measures to be followed at the point of entry (import) in the context of COVID-19 pandemic-2077</u>" has been released for implementation.
- UNFPA provided 1200 sets of PPE, 300 pairs of gumboots, 3600 units of sanitizers including other medical items to the Ministry of Health and Population for prevention and control of COVID-19.

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.

Information and Communication

A total of 2080 people received services from two COVID-19 call centers (1115 and 1133) today.

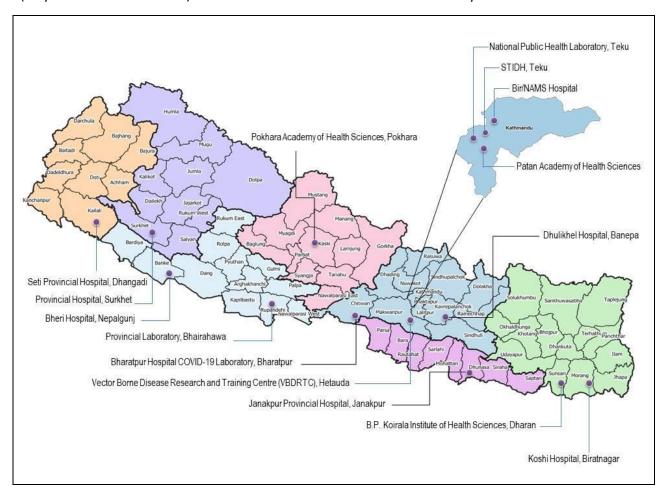
ILI/SARI Cases Reported from EWARS Sentinel Sites

Date	ILI/SARI cases				
18 April	46				
19 April	52				
20 April	38				
21 April	38				
22 April	28				

As of 11 Baisakh 2077 (23rd April 2020), 15:00hrs

Expansion of Laboratory Service:

Including the National Public Health Laboratory (NPHL), Teku, COVID-19 lab test through PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) is available in 15 institutions across the country.



Laboratory Test

Forty-seven (47) people have been reported as positive for COVID-19 till date. Two new positive cases were reported today. Nine infected individuals have recovered and resumed normal life, while the remaining 38 infected people are receiving treatment in different COVID-19 hospitals.

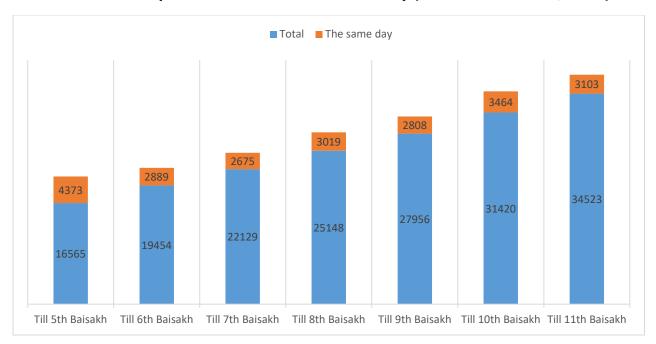
Following are PCR test result as of today:

Laboratory	Total Negative	Total Positive	Results awaiting	New tests of today	New positive case of today
National Public Health Laboratory and Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku, Kathmandu	5992	36	0	99	2
B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Dharan	354	11	2	36	0
Koshi Hospital, Biratnagar	416	0	0	18	0
Janakpur Provincial Hospital, Janakpur	93	0	0	0	0
Bharatpur COVID-19 Diagnostic Laboratory, Chitwan	318	0	0	0	0
Provincial Laboratory, Bhairahawa	149	0	2	5	0
Bir Hospital, Kathmandu	71	0	5	6	0
Pokhara Academy of Health Science, Pokhara	434	0	8	6	0
Vector Borne Disease Research and Training Centre, Hetauda	297	0	0	13	0
Kathmandu University Teaching Hospital, Dhulikhel	474	0	0	0	0
Patan Hospital, Lalitpur	3	0	3	0	0
Surkhet Provincial Hospital, Surkhet	207	0	0	0	0
Bheri Hospital, Nepalgunj	19	0	6	7	0
Seti Provincial Hospital, Dhangadi	326	0	65	13	0
Total	9153	47	91	203	2

Province-wise information on quarantine, isolation, and laboratory test:

Province	No. of quarantine beds	No. of people in quarantine	No. of isolation beds	No. of patients in isolation	Status of RDT till 10 th Baisakh 2077
Province 1	4359	1183	449	34	3592
Province 2	3836	1132	227	11	4529
Bagmati Province	4565	169	898	5	6155
Gandaki Province	3833	186	283	2	4555
Province 5	10332	5167	534	16	2756
Karnali Province	4199	1162	466	8	4735
Sudurpaschim Province	5521	1574	274	6	8201
Total	36645	10573	3131	82	34523

Details of RDT sample collection across the country (3rd to 11th Baisakh, 2077)



Standards and Guidelines

- Guideline on the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in the context of COVID-19
- COVID-19 SOP, Case Investigation and Tracing form
- Protocol for ILI clinics (COVID-19 screening COVID clinics)
- <u>COVID-19 Patient Transport Team (PTT) Guideline to transport COVID-19 patients to hospitals and treatment centers</u>
- <u>Interim Clinical Guidance and Infection Prevention and Control Guideline for health institutions</u> attending COVID-19 patients
- Brief procedure for the management of the bodies of people who died due to COVID-19
- Flow diagram for testing returnees for COVID-19 (RDT or PCR)
- Guideline on sample collection from people on COVID-19 quarantine
- Wondfo SARS-CoV-2 Antibody Test Procedure
- Interim guideline on delivery of COVID and other health care services in the context of COVID-19 epidemic 2076
- Methods for Laboratory testing of COVID-19
- Safety measures to be followed at the point of entry (import) in the context of COVID-19 pandemic-2077