

## Government of Nepal Ministry of Health and Population



Health Sector Response to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Thursday | 27 Chaitra 2076 (9<sup>th</sup> April 2020)

Major activities:



Health cluster coordination meeting via teleconference

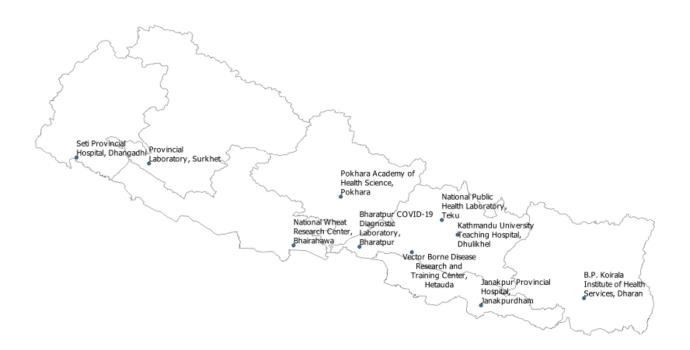
- A Health Cluster Coordination Meeting via teleconference was held with the participation of 94 representatives from 41 organizations. Similar conference with concerned stakeholders will be organized routinely at province level through Provincial Health Emergency Operation Center.
- A team sent from Kathmandu by flight is collecting samples to test COVID-19 at Dadeldhura and Baitadi.
- Starting from today, the daily COVID-19 related press meets held by the Ministry of Health and Population will also share the information through sign language.
- Health Coordinators of all the local governments of Kathmandu district received orientation for necessary coordination to collect samples of quarantined individuals in Kathmandu valley.

**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	4838	14.	Gown	6039			
2.	Protective Goggles	1361	15.	Gown (Reusable)	120			
3.	Gloves	27964	16.	Sodium Hypochlorite Solution	30			
4.	Mask	588023	17.	IR Thermometer (CA)	100			
5.	IR Thermometer	62	18.	N95 Mask (B)	1800			
6.	Disinfectant tab	350	19.	Gumboot	80			
7.	N95 Mask (A)	6495	20.	Gown (K)	7570			
8.	Face Shield	2804	21.	Surgical Gloves (K)	81900			
9.	Sanitizer	867	22.	Ear Thermometer	4			
10.	PPE set (full)	613	23.	Portable Ventilator	1			
11.	PPE Ground	400	24.	Chloroquine Phosphate	0			
12.	Sprayer Pump	17	25.	Chlorine NaDCC 45/55	2600			
13.	Face mask	3442		As of 27 Chaitra 2076 (9 April 2020), 10:00 hrs				

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

## **COVID-19 Sample Testing Laboratories**



Number of patients at hospitals treating COVID-19 cases					
Hospitals	Patients in isolation	Patients in ICU			
Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital	9	0			
Patan Hospital	2	0			
Armed Police Force Hospital	7	0			
(COVID-19 Unified Command Hospital)					
Total	18	0			
	As of 27 <sup>th</sup> Chaitra 2076 (9 <sup>th</sup> A	of 27 <sup>th</sup> Chaitra 2076 (9 <sup>th</sup> April 2020), 13:00hrs			

 ILI/SARI cases reported from EWARS sentinel sites

 Date
 ILI/SARI cases

 04 April
 33

 05 April
 43

 06 April
 55

 07 April
 59

 08 April
 48

**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		Positiv	e	Negative till today	Results awaiting	
	Total as of today	New	Total as of today	New		today	
National Public Health Lab, Teku	2382	417	9	0	2373		
Bisheshwor Prasad Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Dharan	83	0	0	0	83	43	
Janakpur Provincial Hospital, Janakpur	22	4	0	0	22	10	
Pokhara Academy of Health Science, Pokhara	135	61	0	0	135	78	
Surkhet Provincial Hospital, Surkhet	83	12	0	0	83	9	
Seti Provincial Hospital, Dhangadi	33	7	0	0	33	4	
Vector Borne Disease Research and Training centre, Hetauda	65	14	0	0	65	5	
Kathmandu University Teaching Hospital, Dhulikhel	26	9	0	0	26	0	
National Wheat Research Program, Bhairahawa	33	5	0	0	33	28	
Bharatpur COVID-19 Diagnostic Laboratory, Chitwan	33	0	0	0	33	16	
Total	2895	529	9	0	2886	193	

Province	No. of No. of quarantine patients in beds quarantine		No. of isolation	No. of patients	Status of swab tests till 26th Chaitra 2076				Total swab	No. of PPE
		beds	in isolation	Negative	Positive	Report awaiting	Total	<b>collected</b> (26 Chaitra 2076)	Gown in stock	
Province 1	3942	726	432	10	103	0	42	145	55	1282
Province 2	3285	1083	208	21	113	0	27	140	23	1624
Bagmati Province	4400	211	950	23	374	0	281	655	193	625
Gandaki Province	4731	993	372	1	135	2	122	259	56	1873
Province 5	5987	1952	512	33	125	0	27	152	63	1648
Karnali Province	2521	728	466	1	104	0	0	104	11	1834
Sudurpaschim Province	4518	2247	274	10	180	4	817	1001	561	272
Total	29384	7940	3214	99	1134	6	1316	2456	962	9158

Source: NEOC, Ministry of Home Affairs and Provincial Health Directorate, 26th Chaitra 2076 (8th April 2020)

## **Criteria and Guidelines:**

1) Guideline on the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in the context of COVID-19 (based on the WHO criteria by Nepal Medical Council and Nepal Government's experts

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 protocol for the management of the bodies of people who died due to COVID-19

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.