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Introduction

The 2019 novel coronavirus (2019-

nCoV) or the severe acute respiratory

syndrome corona virus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)

as it is now called, is rapidly spreading

from its origin in Wuhan City of Hubei

Province of China to the rest of the

world [1]. Till 05/03/2020 around 96,000

cases of coronavirus disease 2019

(COVID-19) and 3300 deaths have been

reported [2]. India has reported 29

cases till date. Fortunately so far,

children have been infrequently

affected with no deaths. But the future

course of this virus is unknown. This

article gives a bird’s eye view about