

# Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

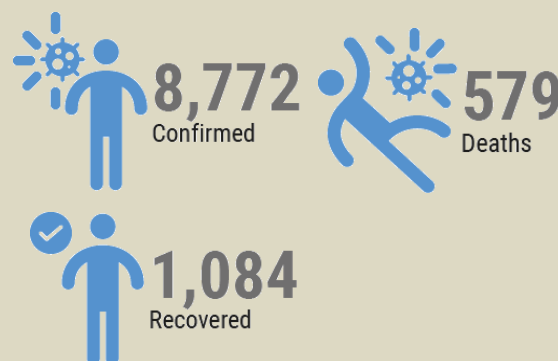
## Situation Report 26 Philippines 1 May 2020

Data reported by the Department of Health on 1 May 2020

### Highlights

- **Out of the total 8,772 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 54% are male, with the most affected age group 30-39 years (19.9%) followed by 50-59 (16.9%)**
- **68.4% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by CALABARZON (13.3%), Central Visayas (7.6%) and Central Luzon (4.4%). The large number of cases in Central Visayas is attributed to several localized outbreaks in Cebu barangays and prisons.**
- **Out of the 579 confirmed deaths, 65% are male, with the most affected age groups 60-69 years (35.2%) followed by over 70 years (34.5%)**
- **70.2% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by CALABARZON (13.0%) and Central Luzon (4.9%)**
- **According to latest daily situationer issued by Department of Health (DOH) among all confirmed cases, 67.7% are mild, 12.3% are recoveries, 12.3% are asymptomatic and 6.7% deaths. Among all deaths, 57% have known comorbidities (hypertension: 65%) and diabetes (48%)**
- **Currently 20 laboratories testing over 5,000 COVID-19 samples per days: the latest 3 laboratories are the Philippine Red Cross (PRC) Port Area and Marikina branches and the University of the Philippines-Philippine Genome Center (UP-PGC). Ongoing assessments into 74 more private and public laboratories to expand the network.**
- **Almost 5,000 hospital workers and community health workers trained on Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) through online trainings throughout the country, to address the large number of 1,694 confirmed COVID-19 cases among health care workers as of 30 April (20% of total number of cases). Outbreak investigation is ongoing into the source of the infections**

### PHILIPPINES SITUATION IN NUMBERS



### Beat COVID-19 Today

A COVID-19 Philippine Situationer

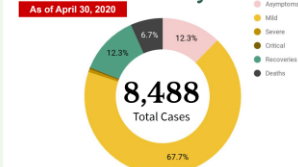
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#### Highlights and Recent Updates on COVID-19

- DOH licensed the Marikina City Health Office-Laboratory as a Stage 5 laboratory that can perform the Real Time RT-PCR test for COVID-19. There is now a total of 20 Licensed Laboratories across the country.
- FDA certified Rapid Antibody-based Diagnostic Tests (RDTs) are now allowed to be used in the country, provided that these tests will be accompanied with the confirmatory Real Time RT-PCR tests. DOH cautioned the public that the probability for RATs to yield false positive results remains high, and that the Real Time RT-PCR remains the gold standard for COVID-19 diagnosis.
- DOH announced that the Philippines is part of the World Health Organization's Solidarity Trial, an initiative that aims to find a cure against COVID-19.
- As the journey towards developing a COVID-19 cure progresses, DOH continued to warn the public against drugs and vaccines that show no scientific evidence of effectiveness against COVID-19.
- DOH spotlighted "Baby Survivor", who was cured from COVID-19 when he was only 16 days old, making him the country's youngest COVID-19 survivor yet. DOH applauded the efforts of the National Children's Hospital, who nursed Baby Survivor back to health.
- DOH expressed its commitment to ensure the welfare and safety of Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs) amidst the pandemic. DOH began conducting initial assessments in select facilities such as the Muntinlupa Penal and Mandaluyong Correctional facilities, and would soon be able to facilitate targeted testing in areas where it is most needed.

#### Case Summary

As of April 30, 2020



8,488 Total Cases	8,212 Previous day	276 Additional Cases
1,043 Recoveries	20 added	568 Deaths
		10 added
6,877 Active Cases (net of recoveries and deaths)		

Active Cases Breakdown			
1,043 Asymptomatic	265 Pending Assessment Status	297 Admitted	481 Home Isolation
5,750 Mild	2,868 Pending Assessment Status	2,218 Admitted	664 Home Isolation
55 Severe		29 Critical	

Probable Cases	Suspect Cases
As of April 30, 2020	
2,972 Total Cases	14,556 Total Cases
SEVERE: Pneumonia, Difficulty of Breathing CRITICAL: Intubated	PROBABLE: Previously termed as PDLs (mild or critical) with inconclusive or unofficial test results. SUSPECT CASES: Previously termed as PDLs (mild or critical) with no test done or awaiting test results.

<https://covid19.healthphilippines.ph/>

<https://www.doh.gov.ph/covid19tracker>

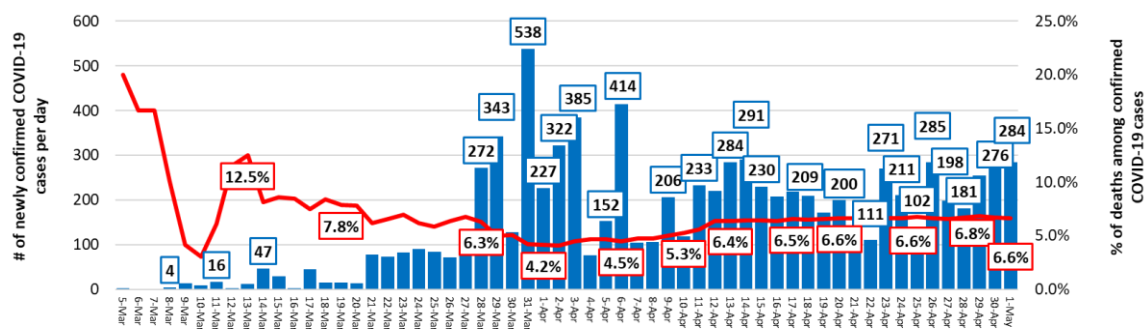
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## Current Situation

As of 1 May, a total of 8,772 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 579 deaths have been reported in the Philippines.

### Daily reported confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines

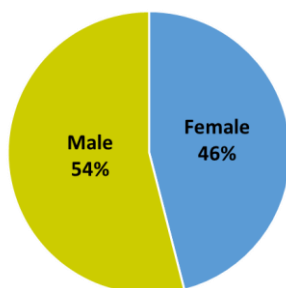
5- 1 May 2020 (N=8,772)



Among the 8,772 confirmed cases, 4,737 are male (54%) and 4,035 are female (47%). The most affected age groups are 30-39 years (19.9%) followed by 50-59 (16.9%).

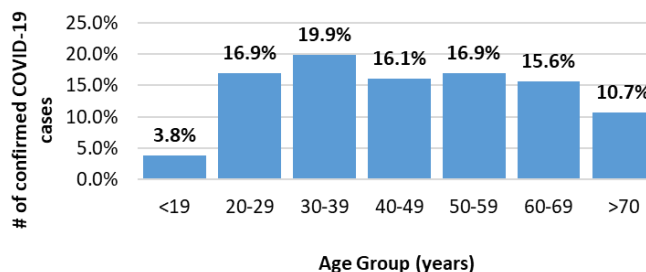
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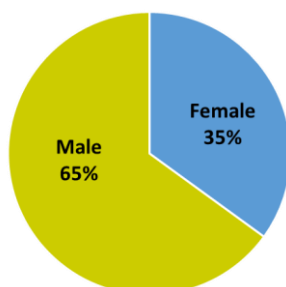
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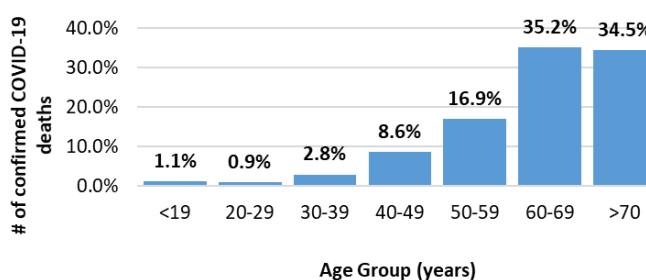
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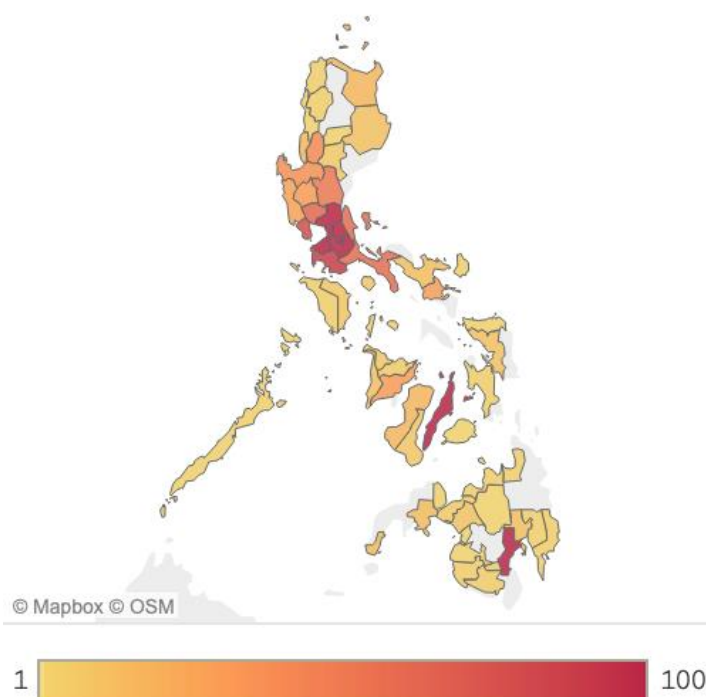


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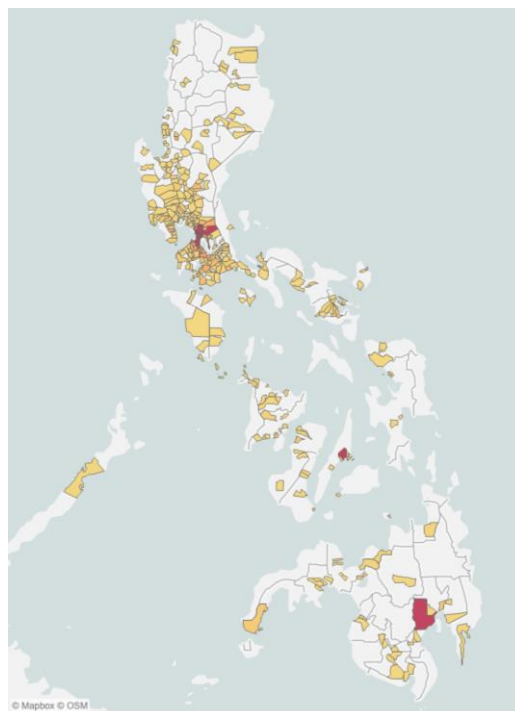
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**Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by province**  
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## Country readiness and response operations

### Country-level coordination

While most of NCR, Central Luzon, CALABARZON, Pangasinan, Benguet, Baguio City, Iloilo province, Cebu province and Cebu City, and Davao City continue under enhanced community quarantine (ECQ) until 15 May 2020, the remainder of the country is starting general community quarantine (GCQ) today.

All relevant government guidelines, issuances, and documents available online at [bit.ly/COVIDPH](https://bit.ly/COVIDPH).

### Risk communication

To encourage sustainable behaviour change, DOH is reinforcing key messaging on the 'New Normal' as a practice and a mindset that places prime importance on healthy lifestyles to prevent illness.

DOH is also emphasizing the special care and protection of the elderly, due to their high risk of getting more severe and critical symptoms of COVID-19

### Surveillance

WHO is supporting the Quezon City Health Office with actively engaging police nurses in contact tracing, jointly with the City Epidemiological Surveillance Unit (CESU) and Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams (BHERT).

WHO jointly with the Regional Epidemiological Surveillance Unit (RESU) of the Ministry of Health of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) is providing technical advice to the Maguindanao authorities on establishment of quarantine centers for COVID-19 confirmed cases.



WHO polio consultants supporting COVID-19 outbreak response in Quezon City ↑ and Maguindanao ↓



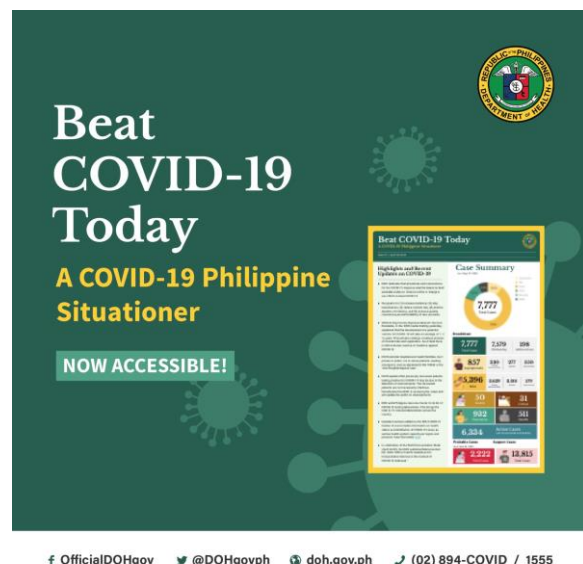
Training is being conducted throughout the country for frontliners including health workers, police officers, Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officers (DRRMOs), firefighters, BHERTS, and volunteers to ensure effective contact tracing for close contacts in the community.

DOH has started issuing daily situationers, with detailed analysis of:

- Distribution of mild cases, recoveries, asymptomatic cases, deaths, severe and critical cases
- Details of cases (probable, suspect cases, mild, asymptomatic, severe and critical cases, etc)
- Number of cases among Overseas Filipinos and health workers
- Epidemiological curve of cases by date of onset of illness
- Bed occupancy rate and essential resources availability
- List of provinces without COVID-19 in the past 2 weeks
- Number of isolation and treatment centres per region
- Map of laboratories on different assessment stages
- Calls catered by telemedicine and DOH call center
- PPE distributed and a summary of donations
- Number of laboratory tests conducted
- Daily laboratory testing capacity

All situationers available here:

1. [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer001](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer001)
2. [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer002](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer002)
3. [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer003](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer003)
4. [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer004](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer004)



### National laboratory system

The list of laboratories certified to conduct COVID-19 testing by DOH expanded to 20. The latest 3 laboratories added are PRC's Port Area and Marikina branches and UP-PGC.

A total of 74 additional public and private hospital laboratories are awaiting assessment for accreditation. The daily testing capacity is estimated over 5,000 per day.

WHO is continuing to support the RITM and DOH with procurement of essential laboratory supplies.

### Infection prevention and control

Almost 5,000 hospital workers and community health workers have been covered with IPC online throughout the country, to minimize the risk of infection among health workers. Although health workers are prioritized for laboratory testing, the total of 1,694 confirmed COVID-19 cases among health care workers as of 30 April is perceived as high (20% of total number of cases).

IPC trainings for community health workers organized by UNICEF are continuing and anyone can sign up for free at <https://forms.gle/WAVzGvMFC4geofdU9>.

The USAID-funded Medicines, Technologies, and Pharmaceutical Services (MTaPS) program currently offers the following trainings. Anyone can sign up for free at [landing page for the virtual training](#)

- Module 1: IPC for Frontline Healthcare Workers in Facility (every Monday and Wednesday)
- Module 2: Healthcare Waste Management (every Tuesday and Thursday)
- Module 3: Emergency Supply Chain Management Preparedness and Response Training (every Wednesday and Friday)

The 2<sup>nd</sup> batch of UNICEF-initiated training for sanitary engineers, sanitary inspectors, cleaners and sanitation workers on cleaning and disinfection for communities was attended by at least 90 participants.

A large shipment of 200,000 government-procured PPE sets are being delivered from China to Davao for distribution in Mindanao and Visayas).



## Case management and continuity of essential services

To reduce mortality from COVID-19 by bridging the gap between knowledge and practice in the clinical management of cases in the Philippines, the University of the Philippines, in partnership with the National Telehealth Center and the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation are offering weekly webinars every Friday at noon titled Stop COVID Deaths: Clinical Management Updates Registration is available at: [bit.ly/StopCOVIDDeaths](https://bit.ly/StopCOVIDDeaths)



The Commission of Human Rights (CHR) jointly with UNFPA, UNHCR and UNICEF are facilitating a free webinar for Protection Actors on Gender Based Violence and Child Protection in COVID, on 6 May next. Certification by UNICEF and CHR will be provided upon webinar completion and exit assessment.

Pre-registration is available at [https://unicef.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_Jtof0IG9Tqao50EHOyzbYg](https://unicef.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Jtof0IG9Tqao50EHOyzbYg)

A new WHO stress management guide **Doing What Matters in Times of Stress: An Illustrated Guide** intended for adults living through adversity outlines practical skills and information for the self-management of stress in five straightforward sections with audio exercises is available at <https://www.who.int/publications-detail/9789240003927>

WHO interim guidance on MHPSS and COVID-19 can be downloaded at <https://iris.wpro.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665.1/14515/Mental-health-COVID-19-eng.pdf> as well as relevant bibliographic information at <https://iris.wpro.who.int/handle/10665.1/14515>

## Doing What Matters in Times of Stress: An Illustrated Guide



The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) is organizing a webinar on **Drug Use and Prison Health in the midst of the COVID-19 Pandemic: Global and Regional Perspective and Analysis of the Philippine Prisons Situations** on 7 May next. Registration is available [here](https://www.unodc.org/seamlesshtml/index_events.html)

World Vision published its COVID-19 Emergency Response External Report One month on, reporting on assistance for over 1.4 million people, including 343,804 children, with the provision of treatment and isolation centres, mobile storage units, PPE sets, hygiene and disinfection kits, as well as and supporting children impacted by COVID-19 through education, child protection, food security, and livelihoods



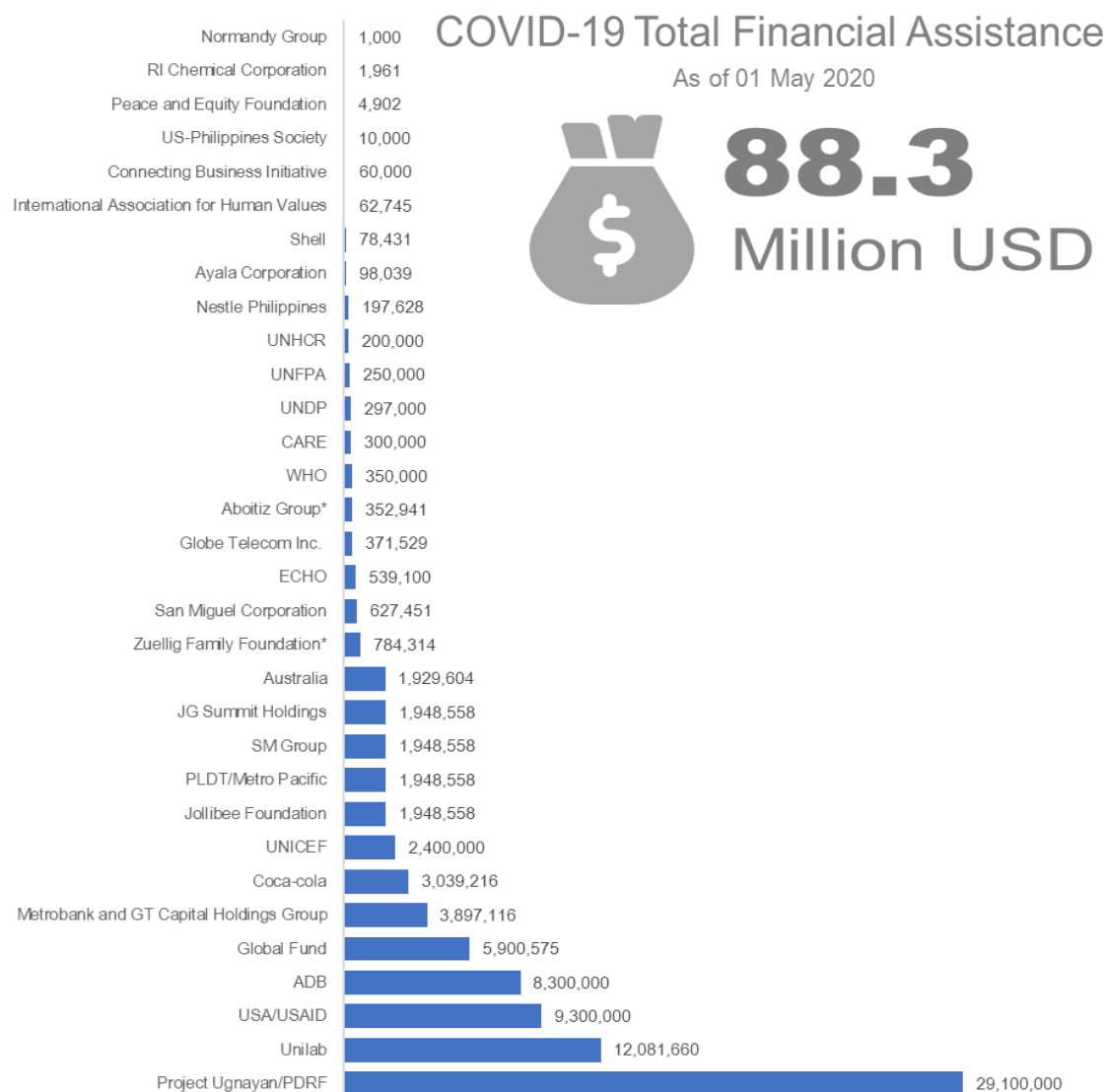
The Philippine Red Cross set up a medical tent for triage of suspect COVID-19 cases at the Rizal Medical Centre.



## Resource mobilization

### Grant

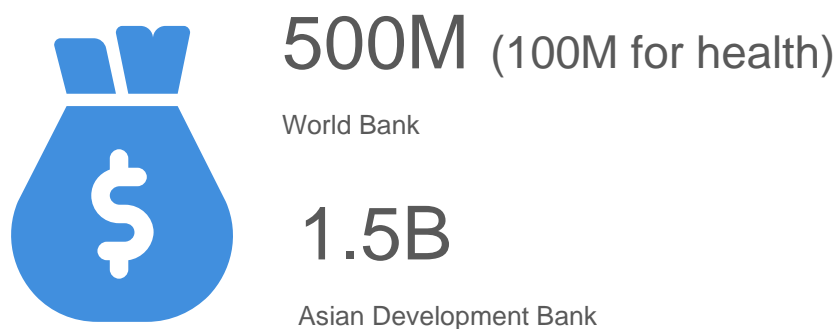
Overall donations received to date (data compiled by OCHA):



Please see for details of all items distributed so far by DOH: <https://bit.ly/DOHCommDistribution>.

As of 29 April, WHO received more than US\$ 405.7 million and an additional US\$ 302.2 million in pledges to its global appeal. This includes €114 million from the European Union to support 80 priority countries with weakened health care systems and capacity including the Philippines.

### Loan





**Logistics, procurement, and supply management**

Who	What	Delivered	Expected
ADB	Laboratory facility for 45,000 tests	1	
Americares	N95 masks	22,320	34,600
	Surgical masks	4,000	
Chinese government	COVID-19 test kits	100,000	
	PPE (full set minus goggles)	10,000	
	N95 masks	10,000	
	Surgical masks	100,000	
IAHV	N95/KN95 Masks	34,922	
IMC	PPE (full set)	200	
	Surgical gowns	4,765	
	Examination gloves	33,869	
	Surgical masks	206,000	
	Goggles	30	
	Cot beds	10	
	Electric fans	20	
Japan government	PPE	12,000	
PRC	Medical tents for isolation and treatment	30	
	Face masks	36,000	
	PPE (full set)	2,000	
	Medical supplies, masks, alcohol, food	6 Manila hospitals	
UNDP	Ventilators		15
UNFPA	Face masks	110,000	
	Handheld thermometers	1,130	
	PPE (full set)	254,839	131,516
	Medical Triage Tents and equipment sets	4	2
	Hygiene kits for women	750	350
	Clean delivery packs		500
	Women Friendly Space Tents	1	2
	Women and Child Protection Unit equipment	1	
UNICEF	Tents for triage and isolation purposes 42 m <sup>2</sup>	44	
	Coverall, protection, CatIII, type 4b		72,380
	Faceshield, fog-resistant, fullface, disp		33,000
	Mask, high-fil, FFP2/N95, no valve, nonster		48,000
	Mask, surgic, typellR, ear loop, disp.		409,200
	Gloves, w/opowder, nitr		100,000
	Gloves, heavy-duty, rubber/nitrile		1,000
	Goggles, protective, indirect-side-venti		500
	Apron, protection, plastic, reusable		500
	Boots, rubber/PVC, reusable, pair		500
	Sprayer, compression type, 7.4 litres		160
	Sanitation and cleaning kit		500
US government	Cots	1,300	
WFP	Tent	2	
	50 kVA generator	2	
WHO (with USAID funding)	<b>Laboratory supplies</b> <i>E-gene EAV kits</i>	335	
	<i>RdRP-gene kits</i>	99	
	<i>N gene/E gene/RdRp gene vials</i>	12	7
	<i>Sanger sequencing reagents vials</i>	3	
	<i>Universal Transport Media viral kit</i>	4,350	10,000
	<i>Flexible Mini Tip</i>	2,000	10,000
	<b>Extraction kits</b> <i>QIAgen QIamp RNA Kit</i>	24	36
	<i>SuperScript III Platinum One-step qRT-PCR</i>	15	24
World Vision	Mobile Storage Unit 10 x 32m	4	
	Tents (child-friendly space) 7 x 6m	17	
	PPE (4 goggles, 4 aprons, 4 N95 masks, 200 surgical caps, 100 gloves, 200 shoe covers)	458	
	Disinfectant kits	30	