

STATE CONTROL ROOM DIRECTOR OFHEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE ANDHRA PRADESH

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WHO has declared the recent Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) epidemic affecting 118 countries as Pandemic. WHO also classified risk assessment as very High at the Regional and Global level. In this context, Andhra Pradesh has strengthened the surveillance for containment, control and prevention of COVID-19.

• Screening and Management status:

1	Total persons with travel history of affected countries	675
2	Total No. put under observation as on date	675
3	Total No. of patients crossed 28 days observation	233
4	Total No. of patients under observation as on date	442
4.1	Hospital Observation	14
4.2	Home observation	428
5	Total samples tested as on date	61
5.1	Total No. of patients tested positive	1
5.2	Total No. of patients tested negative	52
5.3	Total No. of patients - results awaited	8
6	Passengers not traceable / being traced	0

• Point of Entry Screening:

Point of Entry	Number of passengers screened	Number found symptomatic
Visakhapatnam Airport	8602	64
Visakhapatnam / Gangavaram Port (Crew)	1088	0
Krishnapatnam Port (Crew)	622	0

Measures taken in the state:

A 24x7 Control Room has been set up in the State (0866-2410978).

104 Help line (Toll free number) has been operationalized for providing health advises on COVID-19.

Government of Andhra Pradesh have notified the District Collectors as District Nodal Officers for taking measures towards containment and surveillance of COVID-19 in their respective districts.

General Advisory:

- Public should follow the cough etiquette by covering the nose and mouth using handkerchief /towel while sneezing/coughing.
- Do frequent handwashing with soap and water.

Advisory to Foreign Returnees:

- Those who have arrived from the Corona Virus Disease affected countries should remain under strict home isolation for 28 days from the date of arrival in India, irrespective of whether they have the symptoms or not.
- They are advised not to have close contact with other family members, allow any visitors, go out to public places.
- If symptoms like cough, Fever, difficulty in breathing are developed, put on a mask and contact the nearest government health facility by availing free transport through dedicated 108 ambulance or call the 24X7 Control room 0866-2410978.

State Nodal Officer