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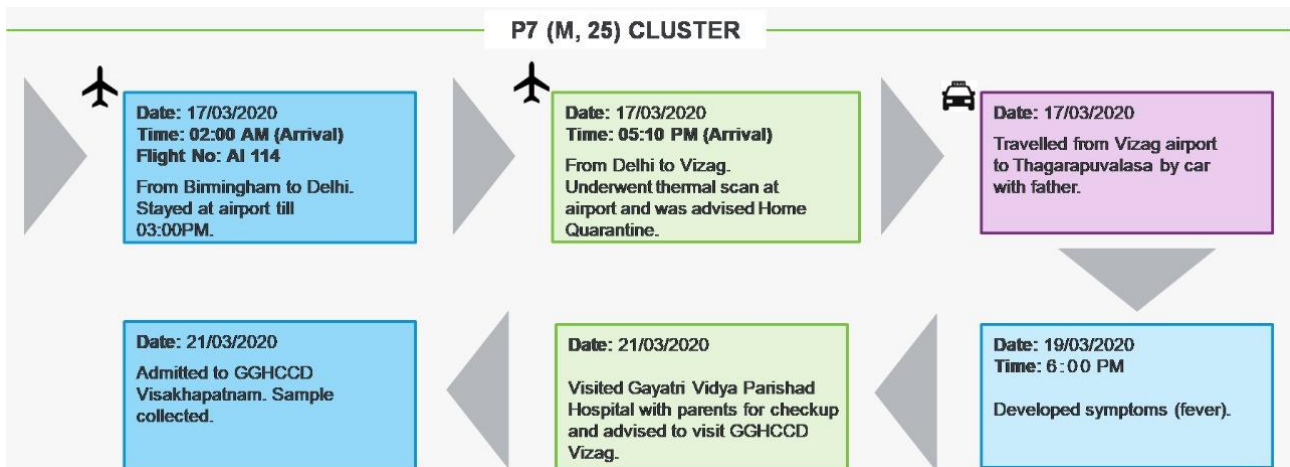
The World Health Organization (WHO) has declared the Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) epidemic affecting **all the regions of the World** as Pandemic. The WHO also classified risk assessment as Very High at the Global level.

The Government of Andhra Pradesh has under taken several measures including strengthening of surveillance for prevention, containment and control of COVID-19.

The State of Andhra Pradesh is following '**No To Panic, Yes to Precautions**' strategy for control of COVID-19.

Till date 7 COVID-19 positive cases have been reported in AP state.

A foreign traveler (**M, 25**) of Visakhapatnam district returned from UK and tested positive for COVID-19. His travel history from arrival to India to admission into hospital is given below.



All the public are requested to provide their details, if they have any matching travel itinerary as the above traveler, to any one of the following call centers:

- a. State call center : 0866-2410978
- b. District Cell Center : 7382555264
- c. Health Information Help Line : 104

Universal Screening of all passengers (both domestic and international) from Vizag International airport and Sea ports has been happening. A total of 12082 passengers and crew have been screened at these ports of entry. Details as follows:

Visakhapatnam Air port	9867
Visakhapatnam and Gangavaram Port	1379
Krishnapatnam Port	836

The state is dealing with foreign returnees entering from other states in a comprehensive manner. Government of India is communicating a list of foreign returnees into the state on a daily basis. State has augmented this list with house to house survey using the network of Village and Ward volunteers.

Among these, symptomatic people are sent directly for isolation wards in a special ambulance and asymptomatic people are issued notice for home quarantine for 28 days.

- Foreign returnees' status:

1	Total number of foreign returnees identified	14038
2	Number completed 28 days observation	2426
3	Number under home isolation as on date	11560
4	Number under Hospital admission as on date	52

- Sample testing and results status:

1	Total samples tested as on date	181
2	No. of samples tested positive	7
3	No. of samples tested negative	166
4	No. of results awaited	8

The Government of Andhra Pradesh in exercise of the powers conferred under section 2, 3 and 4 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, has issued "The Andhra Pradesh Epidemic Disease COVID-19 Regulation, 2020", empowering State/District Authorities to take all necessary measures to prevent, contain and control spread of COVID-19.

Measures taken by State Government :

G.O.No.202 & 204, HM&FW (B2) Dept., have been issued for containing the spread of COVID-19

- Closing of Schools, Colleges and Coaching Centers.
- Private organizations have been encouraged to allow their employees to work from home.
- Restaurants have been advised to ensure hand washing protocols and 1 meter distance between tables.
- Appeal has been given to public at large to postpone all cultural events and to avoid non essential travels.

104 Helpline and COVID helpline

Two PRI lines have been reserved for receiving calls of COVID-19. A total of 2233 calls have been received in total. 149 calls have been received yesterday. Necessary action has been taken on these calls. Citizen participation is helping our efforts on these actions. 35 foreign returnees have self-reported on symptoms on our helpline.

General Advisory:

- General Public are advised not to come out of their homes except for essential services
- Senior citizens above 65 years and children below 10 years are advised not to come out their houses except for emergency needs.
- Public should follow the cough etiquette by covering the nose and mouth using handkerchief /towel/tissue paper or hand flex while sneezing /coughing.
- Do frequent hand washing with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- Social distancing shall be practiced.

Advisory to Foreign Returnees:

- Those who have arrived from the Foreign countries should remain under strict self-home isolation for 14 days from the date of arrival and not to have any close contact with family members, relatives or visitors.
- If symptoms like cough, fever, difficulty in breathing are developed, advised to call 104 and if advised hospitalization, travel in dedicated 108 ambulance escorted by RRT team.

District	Observation					Samples Tested			
	Total No. identified for observation as on date	No. completed 28 days observation period	No. under home isolation as on date	No. hospitalised within last 12 hours	No. under Hospital admission as on date	Awaiting	Negative	Positive	Total
Srikakulam	609	143	463	0	3	0	7	0	7
Vizianagaram	124	22	102	0	0	0	1	0	1
Visakhapatnam	1364	208	1144	0	12	1	43	3	47
East Godavari	1601	141	1449	1	11	4	33	1	38
West Godavari	3057	902	2155	0	0	0	4	0	4
Krishna	1111	143	963	0	5	1	9	1	11
Guntur	1137	213	924	0	0	0	5	0	5
Prakasam	444	68	371	0	5	0	6	1	7
SPSR Nellore	744	66	670	1	8	1	9	1	11
Chittoor	859	101	755	0	3	0	27	0	27
YSR Kadapa	2156	279	1877	0	0	0	11	0	11
Anantapur	287	50	232	0	5	0	5	0	5
Kurnool	545	90	455	1	0	1	6	0	7
Total	14038	2426	11560	3	52	8	166	7	181

Today's Updates

- The first COVID-19 positive case in AP has been successfully treated and was tested Negative twice as per the protocols was discharged from GGH Nellore today with good health.
- Revised testing strategy from ICMR :

In view of the evolving situation of COVID-19 in India, the testing strategy at VRDLs has been revised on 20th March 2020. The revised testing strategy is given below:

- ALL symptomatic persons (fever, cough, difficulty in breathing) within 14 days of international travel.

- ii. ALL symptomatic contacts of confirmed cases.
 - iii. ALL symptomatic healthcare workers.
 - iv. All hospitalized patients with Severe Acute Respiratory Illness (fever AND cough and/or shortness of breath).
 - v. Asymptomatic direct and high-risk contacts of a confirmed case should be tested once between day 5 and day 14 of coming in his/her contact. Direct and high-risk contact include those who live in the same household with a confirmed case and healthcare workers who examined a confirmed case without adequate protection as per WHO recommendations.
- VRDL Lab at Government Medical College Anantapur commissioned for testing of COVID-19 samples and started processing of samples today. With this total 4 labs are testing samples for COVID-19.
 - In response to the Government order No.209, HM&FW (B2) Dept., Dt: 22.3.2020
 - District Collector, Krishna has issued proceedings ordering Section 144 under Cr.P.C strictly prohibiting gathering 5 or more persons at one place in entire Krishna District with effect from 22nd March till 31st March 2020.
 - Collector, Srikakulam has also issued orders under section 144 Cr.P.C strictly prohibiting gathering 5 or more persons at one place including lockdown in entire Srikakulam District with effect from 23rd March till 31st March 2020.
 - Collector, West Godavari also promulgated under section 144 Cr.P.C. strictly prohibiting gathering of 10 or more persons in the entire west Godavari District including lock down of the District with effect from 23rd to 31st March 2020.
 - Collector, Guntur has also issued similar orders under section 144 Cr.P.C. strictly prohibited gathering 5 or more persons in entire Guntur District at one place till 31st March 2020.
 - Collector, Prakasam has also issued orders that under section 144 Cr.P.C. strictly prohibited gathering 5 or more persons in entire Prakasam District at one place including lockdown till 31st March 2020.
 - Collector, Chittoor has also issued orders promulgating section 133 Cr.P.C. through out the district to ensure that any congregation of more than 10 persons is prohibited in public places
 - Collector, Nellore has issued orders that under Section 144 Cr.P.C. strictly prohibited gathering of any people at any place keeping in view of observation of social distancing and in connection with any religious, educational, political or any social functions and rallies to prevent spreading of Corona Virus (COVID-19) in the interest of Public Health & safety till 31st March 2020

State Nodal Officer

COVID-19 Help line (Toll free number): **104** (Round the Clock service)