

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 105 countries as Public Health Emergency of International Concern. 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	661
2	Total No. put under observation as on date	497
3	Total No. of patients crossed 28 days observation	230
4	Total No. of patients under observation as on date	267
4.1	Hospital Observation	12
4.2	Home observation	255
5	Total samples tested as on date	43
5.1	Total No. of patients tested positive	0
5.2	Total No. of patients tested negative	36
5.3	Total No. of patients - results awaited	7
6	Passengers not traceable / being traced	164

Point of Entry Screening:

Doint of Entry	Number of passengers	Number found
Point of Entry	screened	symptomatic
Visakhapatnam Airport	8007	57
Visakhapatnam / Gangavaram Port (Crew)	1001	Nil
Krishnapatnam Port (Crew)	552	Nil

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.

State level Training of Trainers conducted on the protocols developed for prevention, control and containment on COVID-19 for Professors, Associate Professors, of various specialities in Government and Private Hospitals. Physicians, Obstetricians & Gynecologists from APVVP, Quality managers, district surveillance officers, and sanitation teams. They in turn will train approximately 16,000 health staff who will work as an army for containment of COVID-19.

Video Conference was conducted up to Mandal level to sensitize the field staff.

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 publicplaces.
- 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