



GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE SERVICES,
BENGALURU



NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

MEDIA BULLETIN

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Situation till:12 noon today

World Health Organization has declared the recent Novel Coronavirus, COVID-19 as ***Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)*** which has affected **114 countries/ territories** including India till date.

In this context, Karnataka state has strengthened all surveillance and containment measures against the possible spread of disease.

“Five COVID-19 positive cases have been reported in Karnataka state till date”

Update on one New Positive confirmed COVID-19 case Reported today

A 26 year old male patient who came from Greece has tested positive for COVID-19 today. The patient is admitted and isolated at hospital and is stable. All primary contacts have been traced and are asymptomatic. Home quarantine has been advised and being followed-up

All the primary contact previously 4 positive cases are under surveillance and no symptomatic cases reported.

Universal Screening of all International Passengers Continues; Summary as below:

ABSTRACT		Date:12.03.2020	
	ACTIVITIES	Today	CUMULATIVE
A	Persons Enrolled For Observation	78	1220
B	Persons who have completed 28 days observation period	05	292
C	Persons in Home Quarantine	72	908
D	Persons In Isolation At Health Facilities	6	16
E	Persons who left the Country (Chinese nationals - returned back to China on 30 th Jan 2020)	0	4
F	Total samples collected for Testing	53	579
G	Total samples reported as negative	19	460
H	Total Samples Positive for COVID-19	1	5

- **1220** persons have been identified for observation
- Out of them **292** persons have completed 28 days of observation
- **908** persons are continuing home quarantine
- **16** persons are admitted at selected isolation facilities

Details of persons isolated at selected isolation facilities:

Details of Isolated persons in the Designated Hospitals				
	Name of the District	Today's New admissions	Today Discharged	Total Isolated
A	Bengaluru (RGICD)	0	0	10
B	Hassan	2	0	2
C	Dakshina Kannada	3	2	3
D	Ballari	1	0	1
Total		6	2	16

Till date **1,01,942 passengers** have been screened in Karnataka. The details of points of entry are as follows.

1. KIA Airport Bengaluru –69,998 passengers cumulative (2,982 Screened yesterday)
2. Mangalore International airport–26,557 passengers cumulative. (559 Screened yesterday)
3. Also, 5,387 passengers have been screened at Mangalore and Karwar seaports.

104 Arogya Sahayavani (Toll Free Health-Helpline Call centre) has reserved 20 lines for receiving calls for COVID-19. Till date 17,795 **calls** have been received for whom necessary guidance has been provided. (Yesterday 1,331 calls received)

TODAY'S UPDATES:

1. Twenty procedure codes are identified under Ayushman Bharath- Arogya Karnataka to cover hospital expenses
2. Chief Secretary – Govt of Karnataka reviewed preparedness of all districts through video conference with DCs, CEOs and DHOs.
3. State co-ordination meeting has been conducted chaired by Additional Chief Secretary-HFW to review state level co-ordination of activities.
4. All deputy directors and Joint directors have been oriented regarding COVID-19 checklists to review respective nodal districts and supportive supervision of preparatory activities
5. Districts level orientation trainings regarding Infection prevention & Control and containment planning are underway in all the districts

Appeal to Public: Any person who has returned from COVID-19 affected countries or has been in personal contact with such person must remain in home isolation for 14 days from arrival in India irrespective of having any symptoms or not. Also, should self-notify to nearest government hospital or call 104 health helpline. Maintain personal hygiene, use tissue paper/handkerchief while coughing or sneezing, frequently wash hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer and avoid attending mass social gatherings.

Help us to help you. Let us fight COVID-19 together

All the Guidelines and Advisories are available at State Health and Family welfare department Website:
<https://karunadu.karnataka.gov.in/hfw/kannada/Pages/nCov-iec.aspx>