Title: LIVE: West Bengal reports highest single-day spike of 7,713 new Covid-19 cases

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Global fatalities from the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) crossed 3 million as the relentless pace of death continued unabated despite vaccination efforts. In the United States, authorities have administered 200 million doses of the Covid-19 vaccine as the roll out picks up pace. The hospital is treating patients of the coronavirus disease. Maharashtra on Saturday registered yet another highest single-day spike in its daily tally of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) with 67,123 new cases in the last 24 hours, according to the state health department's bulletin. Uttarakhand on Saturday added 2,757 new Covid-19 disease cases, 37 deaths and 802 recoveries, taking the caseload to 121,403, according to the state health department's bulletin. Mumbai's mayor Kishori Pednekar said on Saturday people coming back from the Kumbh Mela in Uttarakhand's Haridwar will have to be quarantined to stop the spread of the coronavirus infection in the city, which is already struggling with rising cases of Covid-19. Mizoram on Saturday recorded 62 fresh cases of the Covid-19 disease taking the caseload to 4,809, an official told news agency PTI. Jammu and Kashmir lieutenant governor Manoj Sinha said on Saturday exams of class 11 have been postponed in the Union Territory in view of the prevailing coronavirus disease (Covid-19) situation. 95% of Mumbaikars are adhering to Covid-19 restrictions. SARS-CoV-2, the virus which causes the coronavirus disease (Covid-19), is predominantly transmitted through the air, according to a new study published in The Lancet journal.

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Title: COVID-19: Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh issue guidelines for Kumbh returnees - Check details here

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This comes after the Madhya Pradesh government on Saturday (April 17) directed all

district collectors to quarantine people returning from Kumbh Mela. The returnees will have to inform the district collector about their arrival. The ongoing Kumbh, which is scheduled to conclude on April 30 has been immensely criticised for presence of devotees in large numbers and flouting of COVID-19 rules especially at a time when the country is reeling under the pressure of the second wave of the virus. The religious event has reported large number of devotees and saints testing positive with the virus. Meanwhile, Swami Avdheshanand, Chief of Juna Akhada, on Saturday (April 17) called off Kumbh celebrations after Prime Minister Narendra Modi had earlier spoken to him, requesting that Kumbh Mela should now only be symbolic. "The Kumbh Mela is now concluded for Juna Akhara," Swami Avdheshanand Giri said while urging people to to not come to the Kumbh mela for bathing in large numbers due to the COVID-19 situation and to follow the rules. Saving one's and other's lives is sacred, he said. "I prayed that two "shahi snan" have taken place and Kumbh (participation) should now be kept symbolic. This will boost the fight against this crisis," PM tweeted in Hindi. India on Saturday (April 17) reported 2,34,692 fresh infections, highest-ever daily hike taking the caseload to 1.45 crore while 1,341 deaths were reported in the last 24 hours.

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Title: Live updates: Gujarat reports 9,541 new Covid-19 positive cases, 97 deaths

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Police in Mohali will impound vehicles plying during curfew hours from 9pm to 5am, said DC Girish Dayalan. With more than 8,000 active patients situation in Bhopal is becoming scarier with every passing day. Several markets in the old city of Ahmedabad have announced that they will remain closed over the weekend due to a steep surge in cases of Covid-19. Stay with us for all live updates from across India. Gujarat reports 9,541 new Covid-19 positive cases and 97 deaths in 24 hours. Uttarakhand reports 2,757 new cases of Covid-19, highest ever single day rise in infections. The state also recorded 37 deaths, highest ever single day mortality so far. The returnees will have to

inform the district collector about their arrival. They will be tested for RTPCR, those found infected will be kept in isolation for 14 days. Jharkhand high court grants bail to RJD leader Lalu Prasad Yadav in fodder scam case related to fraudulent withdrawal from Dumka Treasury. Chandigarh's Sector 17 market wears a deserted look as weekend curfew is imposed till 5am on Monday, essential services exempted.

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Title: India Scrambles to Stem COVID-19 Tide as New Cases Continue to Surge

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India's response to its new COVID-19 epidemic is going through an inflexion. Bengaluru: India's response to its new COVID-19 epidemic is going through an inflexion. Next, Brazil's vaccine regulator Anvisa said Bharat Biotech wasn't following good manufacturing practices to make Covaxin, the 'Made in India' vaccine in the country's two-vaccine inoculation campaign. Supporters of the government rose in its defence but the presence of problems was unmistakable, calling into question why India's vaccine regulator didn't notice them. After admitting the country was producing oxygen for COVID-19 patients at full capacity for two days, the Union health ministry said it was going to import 50,000 metric tonnes of the gas. "Even before Modi's sudden realisation that attendance at the Kumbh could worsen the COVID-19 situation in India," The Wire wrote, "other religious bodies had decided to call it quits. New variants of the novel coronavirus and a national population that for the most part has slunk back into complacency have started taking the Indian government's plans apart at the seams. In the 24 hours until the morning of April 17, India reported 2.34 lakh new COVID-19 cases, extending its "more cases than before" streak into its ninth day. A report published by The Lancet COVID-19 Commission's India task force states that "the geographic contours of the second wave closely mirror those of the first wave, though with a deeper penetration into tier 2 and tier 3 cities." The authors also noted that the second wave has been more "geographically clustered": "The number of districts comprising the top 50% has dropped from over 40 at the time of the last peak, to less than 20 currently". For example, according to Times of India, the country's four worst-hit cities are in Maharashtra; the next two are Lucknow and Bengaluru.

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Title: Top seer at Kumbh Mela in Haridwar dies of Covid-19 2 min read

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A Hindu seer has died from coronavirus and 80 other holy men have tested positive after attending a vast Indian religious festival where millions of pilgrims have been ignoring Covid-19 advice despite a national surge in infections. The festival of Kumbh Mela has long rung alarm bells among health experts who say it could turn into a "super-spreader" as pilgrims return home to their towns and villages all across India. A gathering on the banks of the holy River Ganges in Haridwar happens every 12 years, and has attracted as many as 25 million people to the site since January, including some 4.6 million on two auspicious days this week alone. The enormous crowds of pilgrims -- including cannabis-smoking holy men with dreadlocks -- taking a dip in the river have mostly ignored official advice to maintain distancing. Earlier this week, Mahamandaleshwar Kapil Dev Das, 65, head of one of the Hindu akhadas or ascetic councils, was admitted to hospital and died from coronavirus on Thursday, officials said. "We had around 2,000 positive cases since Monday during random testing of pilgrims at the Kumbh," Harbeer Singh, a top festival officer, told AFP. Two of the 13 Hindu ascetic councils that are part of the major get-together have now pulled out over soaring Covid cases in the city. State Chief Minister Tirath Singh Rawat said in early April that no devotees would be "unnecessarily harassed in the name of Covid-19 restrictions". He too later tested positive for the virus, which has so far killed almost 175,000 Indians and infected 14.3 million, the second most in the world after the United States. This story has been published from a wire agency feed without modifications to the text.

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