



Health Sector Response to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

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The first case of COVID-19 was reported from Hubei Province of China on 31 December 2019. Till 17 February, a total of 71429 people has been confirmed of COVID-19 and it has taken life of 1775 people including three cases outside China. This disease has spread over 25 countries outside China.

Note: The apparent large increase in cases on 17 February 2020 compared to prior situation reports is due to inclusion of all confirmed cases, both laboratory-confirmed as previously reported, and those reported as clinically diagnosed.

Current Global status on COVID-19

Global	Confirmed cases: 71429 Deaths: 1775
China	Confirmed cases: 70635 Deaths: 1772 Countries: 25
Outside China	Confirmed cases: 794 Deaths: 3 (Philippines, Japan tourist from China visiting France.)

No new countries reported cases of COVID-19 in the past 24 hours.

Updated as of 17 February 2020. Extracted from WHO's Situation Report Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) has been declared on 30 January 2020; however, restriction in international traffic and trade is not recommended.

Current status on COVID-19, Nepal (*as of 18 Feb 2020, 16:00)

Total Samples Tested:	Negative:	Positive:
35	34	1

Key National Response

Hotline Service: Public concerns regarding COVID-19 are being addressed through 3 hotlines (9851255839, 9851255837, 9851255834) from 8:00 to 20:00 hrs. Average number of calls received per day is 12. Sign and symptoms of COVID-19, precautions to be taken, precaution to be taken during travel and the appropriate place to go for medical consultations were the common concerns express so far.

Screening and Surveillance: Temperature of travelers coming from or via China and Thailand are being individually scanned. People reporting fever, cough or shortness of breath at are further investigated, treated, counseled and monitored on a regular basis.

Key response and preparedness from Government: -

Health desk are operational at the main land borders crossing with China, India and also at Airports; Hospitals have prepared the Hospital Disaster Preparedness and Response Plan along with isolation facilities.

Resources:

Kindly click the link below for detail resources and information.

COVID-19 IEC	Press Release MoHP	Technical Guidance
HUB Hospitals	Audio Visual PSAs	Contacts

Some Glimpses of Quarantine Centre, Kharipati and Health Desk at TIA

