



## 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 29 February 2020, a total of 85403 people have been confirmed of COVID-19 and it has taken life of 2924 people including 86 deaths outside China. This disease has spread over 53 countries outside China.

### Current Global status on COVID-19

COVID-19 Cases	Cumulative as of 29 Feb 2020	New cases on	
		28 Feb	29 Feb
Global			
Confirmed	85403	83652	1753
Deaths	2924	54	66
China <i>(Includes Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR and Taipei and environs)</i>			
Confirmed	79394	331	435
Deaths	2838	44	47
Outside China			
Confirmed	6009	1027	1318
Deaths	86	10	19

Confirmed cases by selected countries of concern			
Republic of Korea	3150	571	813
Thailand	42	0	2
Malaysia	24	2	0
Singapore	98	3	2
Japan	230	24	20
Italy	888	250	238
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	388	104	143

<b>Countries reporting COVID-19 cases</b>	<b>53</b>	5 (Belarus, Lithuania, Netherlands, New Zealand, and Nigeria)	2 (Mexico and San Marino)
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Source: WHO's Situation Report #39 and #40

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 01 March 2020, 16:00)

<b>Total Samples Tested:</b>	<b>Negative:</b>	<b>*Positive:</b>
<b>243</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>1</b>

\*Note: The positive case is now recovered as per the laboratory test result of 29 and 31 January 2020 at National Public Health Laboratory, Teku

\*This includes 175 samples of evacuees tested on 16 February 2020 and 18 samples of the crew members tested on 29 March 2020.

### Quarantine Update

#### Day 15 of Quarantine

Samples of all 18 crew members in Quarantine were tested negative to COVID-19.

All 175 evacuees have undergone second test on 29 February 2020 and the test result is expected to come on 02 March 2020.

**COVID-19 Hotline:** Public concerns regarding COVID-19 are being addressed via 3 hotlines (9851255839, 9851255837, 9851255834) from 8:00 to 20:00 hrs.

### Consultation and Planning with Provinces:

A team of five members led by Directors of Divisions and Centers, DoHS have been mobilized to each province for monitoring the situation and further planning with focus on strengthening of health desks at PoE, hospital management and surveillance system.

### Provincial Updates:

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

Hospitals are also directed to comply with the algorithm and protocol prepared by the Ministry of Health and Population.

**Screening and Surveillance:** Temperature of travellers coming from China, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Republic of Korea, Iran, Italy, Japan is being measured through thermal scanner established at Tribhuvan International Airport (TIA) Health desk; temperature measured >100.4° F are being sent to Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital for further investigation and treatment; People reporting fever, cough or shortness of breath at TIA Health Desk or Teku Hospital are further investigated, treated, counselled and monitored on a regular basis.

**IEC:** Information, Education and Communication materials regarding COVID-19 are distributed in key locations as well as message - based awareness notifications have been spreading via radio and television up to Federal, Province and Local Level on a regular basis.

### Resources:

Additional resources on COVID-19 can be accessed via MoHP/HEOC or EDCD Web Portals/ Social Media Page.

Kindly click the link below for detail resources and information.

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

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