

COVID-19 OUTBREAK CONTROL AND PREVENTION STATE CELL HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT GOVT. OF KERALA

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Kerala Epidemic Diseases, COVID-19 Regulations, 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 2, 3 & 4 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 (Central Act 3 of 1897), the Government of Kerala has issued regulations as Kerala Epidemic Diseases, COVID-19 Regulations, 2020.for the strict compliance, for the containment management and control of COVID-19 21-3-2020 as part of endeavor to eliminate COVID-19 from the State.

Advisories

Any person with travel history to COVID19 affected countries or person with contact with such a traveler, whether they are having symptoms or not, must remain in home isolation. Do frequent hand washing with soap and water. Avoid social greetings by touching, like hugs or handshake. Don't touch your face, nose and eyes. Use handkerchief while coughing/ sneezing. Use masks, only if you are taking a care of a person with suspected COVID-19 infection, or if you have symptoms. Healthy persons are not supposed to wear medical masks. Those who are wearing masks should know how to use and dispose it properly. N95 masks should not be worn by the public.

• Training and IEC videos prepared by the department are available on "Kerala Health Online Training" YouTube channelof the Directorate of Health Services (https://www.youtube.com/c/keralahealthonlinetraining).

Guidelines

The following guidelines were issued and published in the website of DHS:

COVID-19 Guideline for human resource management in COVID hospitals, Addendum to revised guidelines for Testing, Quarantine, Hospital admission and discharge for COVID-19 based on current risk assessment grid published on 12.03.20, Reference guide for converting hospitals in to dedicated COVID hospitals, Advisory for patient admission to COVID care center, Advisory for patient admission to COVID first line treatment centre, Advisory for infection control precautions to be adopted in dental care settings, Guidelines for distribution of laboratories, Guidelines on rational use of PPE, Advisory on using rapid diagnostic kits for COVID-19 diagnosis and surveillance, Advisory for Residents association, Interim treatment guidelines, Guidelines for routine vaccination, Advisory for pregnancy and labour management and the Quarantine of Health care workers who are asymptomatic secondary contacts,

Date: 20/04/2020

WHO has declared the COVID-19 epidemic affecting **213** countries, areas or territories as a Pandemic. Considering the increase in number of cases, COVID 19 has been re-notified as a state specific disaster on 20.03.2020. Kerala state has strengthened the surveillance and control measures against the disease in view of the same.

Home/Hospital Isolation

• 46323 persons are placed under surveillance, out of which 45925 are under home isolation and 398 are admitted in designated isolation facilities.

Sample Testing

• Till date 19756 samples of suspect cases have been sent for testing out of which 19074 came as negative.

Test Results

- Total confirmed cases under treatment till yesterday were 129.
- 6 new cases from Kannur have been declared positive.
- Test results of 21 persons have been declared negative. 19 from Kasaragod (2 persons under treatment in Kannur), and 2 from Alappuzha have been declared negative.
- As of now **114** Positive cases are under treatment.

Complimentary Activities

- COVID Care Centres have been established in all districts with a view to accommodate people who have been advised home isolation but have no residence in Kerala(e.g.: Tourists, people in transit etc). And to accommodate any person in home isolation but not following the home isolation guidelines. These centers will also accommodate the Keralite returning from various states in India.
- For providing psychosocial support, 1064 Personnel are working and have provided tele-counselling to 2, 11,404 numbers of persons in quarantine/ isolation. In addition to this, psychosocial support calls are given to mentally ill patients, Children with special needs, Guest labourers& elderly people living alone. Tele-counselling is also given to alleviate stress of personnel working in Corona Outbreak control activities. A total of 4, 81,788 Tele-counselling calls have been given to all such categories till date. Coordination of Community Deaddiction is also being done.
- Home isolation ensured with the help of squads at LSG level including health staff, police and volunteers.
- Adequate infrastructure facilities have been ensured at all designated isolation facilities.

- Human resource management teams have been constituted at the state and district levels. Adequate HR has been ensured for isolation, transport, isolation services, contact tracing and call centre.
- In order to give authentic information and general awareness regarding COVID-19 Health Department has released a whatsapp chat bot. The whatsapp number for the same is 9072220183. For more details please visit http://dhs.kerala.gov.in/
- The Department of Health and Family welfare calls out for participation of the health practitioners to join hands with the state in the fight against COVID-19. You may enroll using the link provided below for offering voluntary service at the Isolation facilities in hospitals/ homes, patient management in wards, screening at airports, seaports, railway stations and bus stations. Interested health practitioners may fill up the details in this form and submit. The Department of health and family welfare, Kerala shall contact you soon.

District	No. of Persons under observation as on today	No. of persons under home isolation as on today	No. of symptomatic persons hospitalized as on today	No. of persons hospitalized today
Thiruvananthapuram	1510	1413	97	18
Kollam	2041	2030	11	2
Pathanamthitta	1144	1138	6	0
Idukki	1950	1946	4	0
Kottayam	603	603	0	0
Alappuzha	2973	2968	5	0
Ernakulam	186	173	13	3
Thrissur	971	963	8	1
Palakkad	7030	6992	38	9
Malappuram	5713	5683	30	7
Kozhikode	7494	7472	22	3
Wayanad	4821	4814	7	1
Kannur	5133	5030	103	12
Kasaragod	4754	4700	54	6
Total	46323	45925	398	62

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Date	No. of patients	District	Present Status	Remarks
	panente	Thrissur		
	3	Alappuzha	Negative	Discharged
		Kasaragod	5	
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9.03.2020	6	Ernakulam-1 (Kannur native)	Negative	Discharged
		Kottayam-2		
10.00.0000	0	Pathanamthitta –3	Negative	Discharged
10.03.2020	8	Ernakulam -2 (Kannur native)	0	
		Pathanamthitta- 1	Positive	Under treatment
12.03.2020	2	Thrissur -1	Negativo	Discharged
12.03.2020	2	Kannur –1	Negative	Discharged
13.03.2020	3	Thiruvananthapuram –3	Negative	Discharged
	2	Thiruvananthapuram –1	Negativo	Discharged
15.03.2020	2	ldukki-1	Negative	Discharged
16.03.2020	3	Malappuram –2	Negativo	Discharged
10.03.2020	3	Kasaragod-1	Negative	Discharged
19.03.2020	1	Kasaragod-1	Negative	Discharged
		Ernakulam-1	Positive	Under treatment
20.03.2020	12	Ernakulam- 5	Negative	Discharged
20.03.2020		Kasaragod-6	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	•
		Ernakulam-1	Positive	Under treatment
	12	Ernakulam-2		
21.03.2020	12	Kannur-3	Negative	Discharged
		Kasaragod-6		-
		Ernakulam-1		
		Malappuram-2	Negative	Discharged
	15	Kozhikode-2		
22.03.2020	10	Kannur-4		
22.00.2020		Kasaragod-5		
		Ernakulam-1	Positive	Expired
		Pathanamthitta-1	Positive	Under treatment
		Ernakulam-2		
23.03.2020	28	Thrissur-1	Negative	Discharged
		Kannur-5	Jan 19 Jan 19	
		Kasaragod-19		
		Thiruvananthapuram-1		
	14	Alappuzha-1		Discharged
		Kottayam-1		
24.03.2020		Ernakulam-1	Negative	
		Palakkad-1		
		Malappuram-1		
		Kozhikode-2		
		Kasaragod-6		
		Palakkad–1 Pathanamthitta–2	Positive	Under treatment
25.03.2020	9			
		Idukki-1		
20.00.2020		Ernakulam-3 Palakkad-1	Negative	Discharged
20.00.2020			-	Ĭ
20.00.2020				
20.00.2020		Kozhikode-1 Kannur-2		

Annexure -2: Chronology of Positive cases

Date	No. of patients	District	Present Status	Remarks
		Kannur-7 Idukki-1 Kasaragod-3 Malappuram-2 Thrissur-2 Wayanad-1	Negative	Discharged
		Kasaragod-4	Positive	Under treatment
27.03.2020	39	Kollam-1 Thrissur-1 Kozhikode-1 Kannur-2 Kasaragod-30	Negative	Discharged
28.03.2020	6	Thiriruvanathapuram-2 Kollam-1 Palakkad-1 Malappuram-1 Kasaragod-1	Negative	Discharged
		Kannur-2	Positive	Under treatment
29.03.2020	20	Thiriruvanathapuram-1 Ernakulam-1 Thrissur-1 Palakkad-1 Malappuram-1 Kannur-6 Kasaragod-7	Positive Negative	Expired Discharged
30.03.2020 32		Kasaragod-4 Kannur-3 Wayanad-1	Positive	Under treatment
	32	ldukki-2 Kannur-8 Wayanad-1 Kasaragod-13	Negative	Discharged
31.03.2020	7	Thiriruvanathapuram-1 Kollam-1 Kannur-1	Positive	Under treatment
		Thiriruvanathapuram-1 Thrissur-1 Kasaragod-2	Negative	Discharged
		Kasaragod-2 Kannur-1	Positive	Under treatment
01.04.2020	24	Thiriruvanathapuram-2 Ernakulam-3 Palakkad-1 Thrissur-2 Malappuram-2 Kannur-1 Kasaragod-10	Negative	Discharged
02.04.2020	21	Kollam-1	Positive	Under treatment

Date	No. of patients	District	Present Status	Remarks
		Thiriruvanathapuram-1 Kollam-1 Pathanamthitta-1 Idukki-5 Thrissur-1 Malappuram-1 Kozhikode-1 Kannur-1 Kasaragod-8	Negative	Discharged
		Kasaragod-2	Positive	Under treatment
03.04.2020	9	Thrissur-1 Kannur-1 Kasaragod-5	Negative	Discharged
		Kasaragod-1 Kollam-1 Ernakulam-1	Positive	Under treatment
04.04.2020	11	Alappuzha-1 Palakkad-1 Kannur-1 Kasaragod-5	Negative	Discharged
05.04.2020	8	Kozhikode-3 Kannur-1 Kasaragod-1	Positive	Under treatment
		Pathanamthitta-1 Kozhikode-2	Negative	Discharged
		Kasaragod – 2 Malappuram – 1 Kollam- 1	Positive	Under treatment
06.04.2020	13	Pathanamthitta- 1 Malappuram - 1 Kasaragod -7	Negative	Discharged
07.04.2020	8	Kannur – 2 Malappuram – 1 Kollam – 1	Positive	Under treatment
		Kasaragod – 4	Negative	Discharged
		Kannur – 4 Pathanamthitta– 1	Positive	Under treatment
08.04.2020	9	Alappuzha - 2 Thrissur - 1 Kasaragod - 1	Negative	Discharged
09.04.2020	12	Kasaragod - 3 Kannur - 4 Malappuram - 2 Kollam -1 Thiruvananthapuram - 1	Positive	Under treatment
		Kasaragod – 1	Negative	Discharged
10.04.2020	7	Kasaragod - 3 Kannur - 2 Malappuram - 1	Positive	Under treatment
		Malappuram – 1	Negative	Discharged
11.04.2020	10	Kasaragod - 2 Kannur - 7 Kozhikode - 1	Positive	Under treatment

Date	No. of patients	District	Present Status	Remarks
12.04.2020	2	Pathanamthitta-1 Kannur-1	Positive	Under treatment
13.04.2020	3	Palakkad-1 Kannur-2	Positive	Under treatment
14.04.2020	8	Kannur- 4 Kozhikkode-3 Kasaragod-1	Positive	Under treatment
15.04.2020	1	Kannur-1	Positive	Under treatment
16.04.2020	7	Kannur-4 Kozhikode-2 Kasaragod-1	Positive	Under treatment
17.04.2020	1	Kozhikode-1	Positive	Under treatment
18.04.2020	4	Kannur-3 Kozhikode-1	Positive	Under treatment
19.04.2020	2	Kannur-1 Kasaragod-1	Positive	Under treatment
20.04.2020	6	Kannur-6	Positive	Under treatment
• 407 persons have been tested positive till date since the outbreak in Kerala.				

• 114 persons are currently under treatment.

Annexure -3: District wise distribution based on hospital admission

District	No. of positive cases admitted	Other Districts
Thiruvananthapuram	2	
Kollam	5	
Pathanamthitta	6	_
Ernakulam	2	1 Malappuram
Palakkad	2	_
Malappuram	6	_
Kozhikode	13	2 Kannur
Wayanad	1	
Kannur	52	2 Kasaragod
Kasaragod	25	
Total	114	