On the 11th of January 2021, 249 new cases of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 were announced by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand (MoPH), bringing the total number to 10,547.

Of these, 62.3% (6,566) have recovered, 0.6% (67) have died, and 37.1% (3,914) are still receiving treatment or are under isolation. No new deaths were reported today.

The 249 laboratory-confirmed cases include 11 individuals who recently arrived in Thailand and were detected while under quarantine facilities and 14 individuals who entered Thailand through the land border.1

The 249 new cases also include 176 cases classified as ‘local transmissions’, as follows:

- 147 cases are linked to occupational risk, visiting crowded places or had contact with confirmed cases, including Samut Sakhon (37), Nonthaburi (31), Ang Thong (19), Kanchanaburi (1), Chiang Mai (1), Chonburi (8), Pathum Thani (1), Bangkok (36), Chanthaburi (2), Nakhon Sawan (1), Ayutthaya (2), Samut Prakan (6), Singburi (2).
- 29 cases under investigation and verification were from Ubon Ratchathani (1), Ayutthaya (1), Chiang Mai (1), Nonthaburi (1), Rayong (11), Chonburi (12), and Samut Prakan (2).

The remaining 48 cases reported were found among migrant workers and in the Thai population who were identified through contact tracing and active case finding in Bangkok (1), Nonthaburi (4), Samut Sakhon (43). This brings the cumulative total in this group to 2,839 cases.

Locally transmitted COVID-19 cases have now been reported in 58 provinces. No additional provinces reported new cases today and 21 provinces reported no new cases in the past 7 days.

Between 18th December 2020 and 11th January 2021 (the new wave), 6,090 confirmed cases have been reported. More than half were reported in Samut Sakhon.

The 9 provinces reporting more than 50 cumulative cases are Samut Sakhon (3,341), Chonburi (587), Rayong (532), Bangkok (456), Samut Prakan (269), Chanthaburi (212), Nonthaburi (145), Nakhon Pathom (75), and Ang Thong (73).

Of the 58 provinces with active cases, 9 provinces reported more than 50 cumulative cases (red), 13 provinces reported between 11 and 50 cumulative cases (orange), and 36 provinces reported between 1 and 10 cumulative cases (yellow and green).

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1 crossed the land border from Myanmar to Tak Province (13 Thais, 1 Myanmar).
UPDATE FROM CCSA

- Mor Chana app
  - More than 300,000 new Mor Chana downloads were made yesterday, bringing the cumulative number of registrations to 6.34 million, with more than 4.4 million users.

- Samut Sakhon
  - Almost 300 Myanmar migrant workers have been discharged from the field hospital in Samut Sakhon. COVID-free certificates have been issued to them to facilitate their return to work. The Province remains committed to continuing active case finding and is prepared to accommodate more new patients in the two new field hospitals expected to be in operation within this week.

- Active case finding
  - Collaboration from the private sector on active case finding is most welcomed. Private organizations interested in supporting case finding among their employees are encouraged to consult with the Provincial Public Health Office for further arrangements.

- Blood supply
  - The Thai Red Cross Society disclosed that blood supply is running low (reduced by almost 50%) as a result of the disruption of services during COVID-19 outbreaks.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Interested donors can go to the National Blood Center (Thai Red Cross Society) on Henri Dunant or the Red Cross Station on Phetkasom road. For information and enquiries please visit www.redcross.or.th Tel: 02 263 9600

WHAT WHO IS DOING TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THAILAND

WHO Thailand supports the Royal Thai Government through the Ministry of Public Health, sharing information on key developments, guidelines and scientific updates. WHO also supports the wider UN response, including working with key partners to support migrant populations in Thailand. WHO also provides information and advice to staff of the UN system in Thailand.

2 A method of pooled sampling through saliva tests is being considered for active case finding to reduce costs.