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WHO Thailand Situation Report




26,031
(+80)
Confirmed



83
(+0)
Deaths



624
Hospitalized



25,324
(+196)
Recovered



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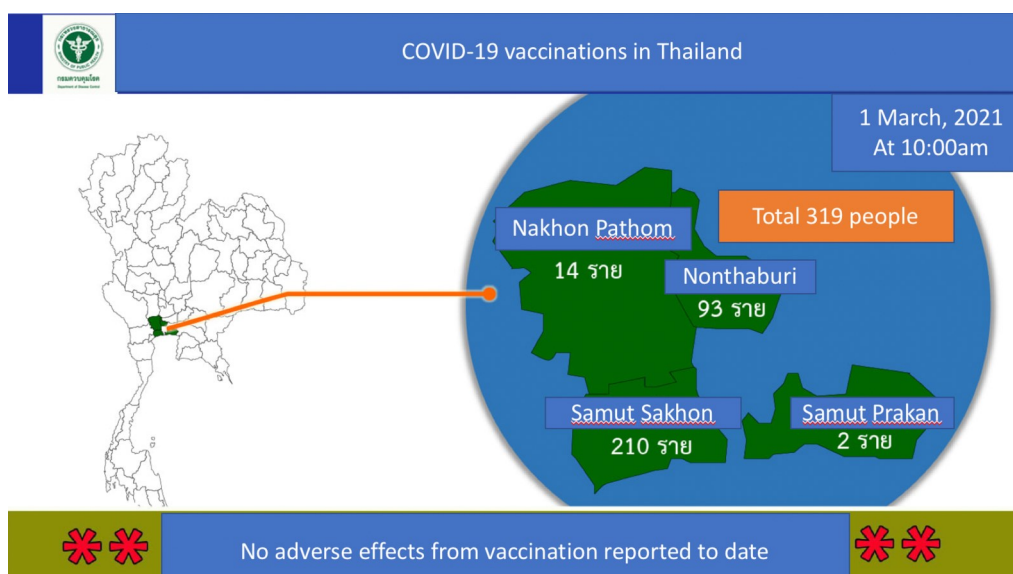
SPOTLIGHT

- 80 new cases of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 were announced by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand bringing the total number of cases to date to 26,031. No new deaths were reported today.
- Of the cases, 97.3% (25,324) have recovered, 0.3% (83) have died, and 2.4% (624) are receiving treatment or are in isolation. **No new deaths were reported today.**
- Of those receiving treatment, 543 are in conventional hospitals and 81 are in field hospitals.
- The laboratory-confirmed cases reported today include
 - 16 individuals who arrived recently in Thailand and were diagnosed in quarantine facilities.
 - 28 cases detected through the routine surveillance system linked to occupational risk, visiting crowded places or contact with confirmed cases in Samut Sakhon (12 Thais, 7 Burmese), Tak (3 Thais), Nakhon Pathom (2 Thais), Bangkok (1 Burmese, 1 Thai), Chonburi (1 Burmese), Ratchaburi (1 Burmese)
 - 36 cases identified through active case finding in Pathum Thani (4 Thais, 31 Burmese) and Nonthaburi (1 Thai).
- Of 64 cases acquired in Thailand 29.7% were detected in Samut Sakhon, 3.1% in Bangkok and 67.2% in other provinces.
- During the new wave (between 15 December 2020 and 1 March 2021), 21,794 confirmed cases have been reported, of which 6,229 were detected through the routine surveillance system, 14,553 were detected through active case finding and 1,012 were in individuals who entered Thailand from other countries. At present, 21,147 have recovered, 624 are receiving treatment, and 23 have died.
- COVID-19 cases acquired in Thailand in the new wave have been reported in 63 provinces.

UPDATE FROM THE CCSA

Vaccine distribution and vaccination

- Public Health Minister Anutin Charnvirakul was the first Thai to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. As of 28 February, 110,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccines have already been distributed to 11 priority provinces including Samut Sakhon, Bangkok, Pathum Thani, Tak, and Chiang Mai. 319 medical staff in Samut Sakhon, Nonthaburi, Samut Prakan and Nakhon Pathom were vaccinated today.
- So far, there have been no reported cases of adverse effects from vaccinees.



- **School examinations at Impact Arena Muang Thong Thani**

- ◊ Educational authorities at Triam Udom Suksa School are preparing to hold entrance examinations and are expecting 12,000 students together with their parents (more than 30,000 in total) under one roof on Saturday, 6 March. Aware of the risks of infection, experts will ensure that students will be spread across two halls. Those coming from high-risk areas will be separated from others as a precautionary measure.

- ◊ The examination schedule has also been changed to minimize movements of students and parents. Children will get a short break at 11am and have snacks served to them. Exam hours have been shortened to between 9am - 1:30pm

- **Ministry of Foreign Affairs virtual seminar**

The seminar entitled “Women in Leadership Achieving an Equal Future in a COVID-19 World” will be held on Wednesday, 3 March and will be streamed on Facebook LIVE. The event is being held in cooperation with the United Nations.

- **CCSA briefings**

In line with the current situation, CCSA briefings will no longer be held on a daily basis but only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

EXPLAINER:

Vaccines: How safe are they?



<https://youtu.be/Q-NkYzjSPdg>

How safe are vaccines? The WHO Thailand's Representative, Dr. Daniel Kertesz, tells us exactly how they work.

Science in 5: Vaccine approvals



https://youtu.be/9UJ7yyaB_wY

What does the process of vaccine approval entail? This Science in 5 video explains it in simple terms.

WHAT WHO IS DOING TO SUPPORT THAILAND

WHO Thailand supports the Royal Thai Government through the Ministry of Public Health, sharing information on 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.



USEFUL LINKS

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