**MoHS Statement on COVID-19 (21 March 2020, 8:00PM) (**[**Link**](https://www.facebook.com/MinistryOfHealthAndSportsMyanmar/posts/3265151170180832?__xts__%5B0%5D=68.ARAj6AQaymvLUmPKiJa3g9SGr0YisQgY45IOAPnjIOR_V8MGs5UGJT_XgMqm-aZ5yqrIOGHWFcPmzZ5iUWCbBCuQ2r4g0Zv6Rgaxe_EWbSKnhVmpH0_a8GyIYYOA4DacYUVY2t4T_6-Nj8B6-7tjTcQCio6GskTEwrhERzbBVkacJ7aIw8tZewA8Oej_DrmAfMV8QptFXvUa7Nud_lMf2PKaoTpf3B8yZvFLKplxbi1Wk_AGuMHIRSOVr4XqsJeYgmE36KgOuNILALq0s4Y3aFEjYMswnOLo5GnHx-oN79ZpmKtncaxlxIY7bCFgXkpVQvFcpivkSsYS1xsp9vtxoJ99nA&__tn__=K-R)**)**

***(Unofficial translation by OCHA)***

1. The Ministry of Health and Sports (MoHS) has been working on monitoring and preventive measures of the COVID-19, which has been spreading globally, at international entrances/gates, at public hospitals and among communities, as well as in cooperation with private hospitals.
2. In doing so, there were 12 Persons Under Investigation (PUI) reported between 20 March 2020 (6:00PM) and 21 March 2020 (6:00PM). (**See Table 1**).
3. According to the laboratory results released at 6:00 PM today by the National Health Laboratory (NHL) in Yangon, the 11 patients of the PUIs, who have been treated under surveillance at designated hospitals between 6:00 AM and 6:00 PM on 21 March 2020, tested negative for the COVID-19. (**Table 2**)
4. A 37-year-old man, who lived in Shwe Pyi Tha Township of Yangon Region, arrived at the Magway General Hospital at 7:55 PM on 19 March 2020, as he had suffered from fever, cough and shortness of breath since 11 March 2020. He was quarantined, and his nasal swab was taken to send the NHL in Yangon for testing on 20 March, although he has no travel history to places with high COVID-19 cases. He showed symptoms of chronic hepatitis. While he was being treated with care, he died of the subsequent effects of hepatitis and severe lung disease. According to the result of NHL, he was tested negative.
5. Two Myanmar citizens, being quarantined at the South Okkalapa Maternal and Child Hospital were also tested negative, according to the result as of 21 March.
6. As of 6:00 PM 21 March, 11 PUI were being treated at respective hospitals.
7. The MoHS has been speeding up monitoring although there were no laboratory-confirmed cases as of 21 March 2020. The MoHS calls on people to exactly follow the MoHS health guidelines as the COVID-19 has been spreading now in 177 countries in the world, including China and neighboring countries.

**Table 1**

**MoHS Statement on PUIs and Suspected Patients of COVID-19 (19 March 2020, 8:00PM)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **No** | **Age (years old)** | **Gender** | **Address** | **Symptoms** | **Date of Symptoms** | **Travel History** | | **Where patient was found** | **Contacted with COVID-19 patient or not** | **Hospital and Date** | **Remark** |
| **Visited Location** | **Date of Arrival to Myanmar** |
| 1 | 22 | Male | Htee Chaint Township, Sagaing Region | Fever, Cough, Exhaustion | 12.3.2020 | Qing Hong Town, China | 17.3.2020 | Township Hospital, Htee Chaint | No | Township Hospital, Htee Chaint  19.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 2 | 24 | Male | Kyaukphyu Township, Rakhine State | Fever, Cough, Sneezing | 18.3.2020 | Malaysia | 15.3.2020 | Kyaukphyu Township Hospital | No | Kyaukphyu Township Hospital 20.3.2020 | Chinese Citizen |
| 3 | 25 | Male | Mayangone Township, Yangon Region | Fever, Cough, Sore throat | 19.3.2020 | Thailand | 9.3.2020 | Yangon General Hospital | No | Weibargi Hospital 20.3.2020 | Thai Citizen |
| 4 | 50 | Female | Demoso Township, Kayah State | Fever, Cough, Exhaustion | 17.3.2020 | No | - | Demoso Hospital | No | Loikaw General Hospital 19.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 5 | 81 | Male | Hpruso Town, Kayah State | Fever, Cough, Exhaustion | 6.3.2020 | No | - | Loikaw General Hospital | No | Loikaw General Hospital 20.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 6 | 32 | Female | Hlaing Township, Yangon Region | Fever, Cough, Sore throat | 17.3.2020 | No | - | Insein General Hospital | No | Insein General Hospital 20.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 7 | 62 | Male | Nyaungdon Township, Ayeyarwaddy Region | Fever, Cough, Haemoptysis, Exhaustion | 5.3.2020 | No | - | Insein General Hospital | No | Insein General Hospital 18.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 8 | 26 | Female | Shwe Pyi Tha Township, Yangon Region | Fever, Cough, Exhaustion | 17.3.2020 | No | - | Insein General Hospital | No | Insein General Hospital 19.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 9 | 36 | Male | Taunggyi, Shan State | Fever, Cough, Exhaustion, Backpain | 17.3.2020 | India | 20.3.2020 | Saosanhtun Hospital | No | Saosanhtun Hospital 20.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 10 | 27 | Female | Pauk Township, Magway Region | Fever, Cough, Diarrhea | 5.3.2020 | Thailand | 17.3.2020 | Private clinic | No | Pauk Hospital 20.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 11 | 29 | Male | Sittwe, Rakhine State | Fever, Cough, Sore throat | 15.3.2020 | India | 7.3.2020 | Sittwe General Hospital | No | Sittwe General Hospital 20.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |
| 12 | 37 | Male | Hlaing Township, Yangon Region | Fever, Cough, Headache | 19.3.2020 | South Korea | 19.3.2020 | Department of Public Health, Hlaing | No | Weibargi Hospital 20.3.2020 | Myanmar Citizen |

**Table 2**

**Laboratory Results for COVID-19**

**21 March 2020, 8:00 PM**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **No** | **Age (years old)** | **Gender** | **Address** | **Hospital** | **Arrival at Hospital** | **Laboratory Result** |
| 1 | 50 | Male | Wan Twin Township, Mandalay Region | Muse General Hospital | 19.3.2020 | Negative |
| 2 | 18 | Male | Demoso Township, Kayah State | Loikaw General Hospital | 18.3.2020 | Negative |
| 3 | 58 | Male | Demoso Township, Kayah State | Loikaw General Hospital | 19.3.2020 | Negative |
| 4 | 27 | Male | Loikaw Township, Kayah State | Loikaw General Hospital | 19.3.2020 | Negative |
| 5 | 47 | Male | Pe kone Town, Kayah State | Loikaw General Hospital | 19.3.2020 | Negative |
| 6 | 37 | Male | Shwe Pyi Tha Township, Yangon Region | Magway General Hospital | 19.3.2020 | Negative |
| 7 | 32 | Female | Hlaing Township, Yangon Region | Insein General Hospital | 20.3.2020 | Negative |
| 8 | 62 | Male | Naungdon Township, Ayeyarwaddy Region | Insein General Hospital | 18.3.2020 | Negative |
| 9 | 26 | Female | Shwe Pyi Tha Township, Yangon Region | Insein General Hospital | 19.3.2020 | Negative |
| 10 | 37 | Male | Hlaing Township, Yangon Region | Weibargi Hospital | 20.3.2020 | Negative |
| 11 | 24 | Male | Kyaukphyu Township, Rakhine State | Kyaukphyu General Hospital | 20.3.2020 | Negative |