**MoHS Statement on COVID0-19 (4.1.2020 – 24.3.2020) (24 March 2020, 8:15PM) (**[**Link**](https://www.facebook.com/MinistryOfHealthAndSportsMyanmar/posts/3273009066061709?__tn__=-R)**)**

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

1. **Global Situation Update on COVID-19**

**World Health Organization (WHO) updated as below (as of 23:29 Myanmar Standard Time on 23 March 2019**).

* Countries with confirmed cases - 189
* Laboratory-confirmed cases globally - 334,981
* Deaths globally - 14,652
* Death rate globally - 4.4%
* **Countries with high cases/deaths**

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| No | Country | Since the outbreak | |
| Laboratory-confirmed | Death |
| 1 | China | 81,603 | 3,267 |
| 2 | Italy | 59,138 | 4,827 |
| 3 | USA | 31,573 | 402 |
| 4 | Spain | 28,572 | 1,720 |
| 5 | Germany | 24,774 | 94 |
| 6 | Iran | 23,049 | 1,812 |
| 7 | France | 15,821 | 674 |
| 8 | Republic of Korea | 8,961 | 111 |
| 9 | Switzerland | 6,971 | 60 |
| 10 | England | 5,687 | 281 |
| 11 | Netherland | 4,204 | 179 |
| 12 | Austria | 3,631 | 16 |
| 13 | Belgium | 3,401 | 75 |
| 14 | Norway | 2,132 | 7 |
| 15 | Sweden | 1,906 | 21 |
| 16 | Australia | 1,709 | 7 |
| 17 | Portugal | 1,600 | 14 |
| 18 | Demark | 1,395 | 13 |
| 19 | Canada | 1,384 | 19 |
| 20 | Malaysia | 1,306 | 11 |
| 21 | Turkey | 1,236 | 30 |
| 22 | Republic of Czech | 1,165 | 1 |
| 23 | Japan | 1,089 | 41 |
| 24 | Israel | 1,071 | 1 |
| 25 | Ireland | 906 | 4 |
| 26 | Brazil | 904 | 11 |
| 27 | Luxembourg | 798 | 8 |
| 28 | Pakistan | 784 | 5 |
| 29 | Thailand | 721 | 1 |
| 30 | Poland | 634 | 7 |
| 31 | Chile | 632 | 1 |
| 32 | Finland | 626 | 1 |
| 33 | Greece | 624 | 15 |
| 34 | Indonesia | 579 | 49 |
| 35 | Iceland | 568 | 1 |
| 36 | Saudi Arabia | 562 | 0 |
| 37 | Equador | 532 | 7 |

Remark: Countries with more than 500 laboratory-confirmed patients were selectively stated.

* There are 113 countries/areas/territories where local transmission of COVID-19 have been found outside China are:

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| N | Regions regarded by WHO | Countries |
| 1 | Europe | 48 |
| 2 | America | 17 |
| 3 | The West Pacific | 14 |
| 4 | The Middle East | 12 |
| 5 | Africa | 10 |
| 6 | The South East Asia | 6 |
| 7 | Territories | 6 |

* Currently, the COVID-19 has not been detected in 8 UN member states, including Myanmar.

1. **Situation of COVID-19 in Myanmar (from 31 January to 24 March 2020, 12 Noon)**

* PUI – **237** (including two suspects)
* Tested Positive – **2**
* Tested negative – **210**
* Awaiting – **26**
* Discharged – **134**
* Patients died of other diseases – **13**
* Of them, **four** died of chronic diabetes and heart disease, **one** died of tuberculosis and chronic kidney disease, **two** died of chronic kidney disease, **one** died of chronic emphysema, **one** died of chronic liver disease, **three** died of blood poisoning due to bacteria, and **one** died of Acute Respiratory Infection and consequences of diarrhea.

1. There were a total of **237** patients (PUIs and suspects) – **93** in Yangon Region, **41** in Mandalay Region, **41** in Shan State, and **62** in other states/regions, between 31 January 2020 and 24 March 2020.
2. The breakdown of **282** patients, who have been quarantined at various hospitals in respective states and regions from 31 January to 24 March 2020 are as follows:

* South Okkalapa Maternal and Child Hospital: 126
* Mandalay Kandawnadi Hospital: 67
* Weibargi Hospital: 59
* Hospitals in other Regions/States: 30

There have been a total of 218 people who have been hospital/facility quarantined between 31 January to 24 March 2020. The breakdown of them are as follows;

* Hotel Quarantine: 158
* Facility Quarantine: 60
* The MoHS has been speeding up the number of laboratory tests to be able to detect the outbreak of the disease at early stage, and have tested a total of 211 people, who have been quarantined at hospitals and hotels/facilities, but they tested negative for COVID-19.

1. The MoHS has been tracing the people, who have contacted with the infected people, and restricting and quarantined, as well as publishing health education and information real time. Therefore, the people are advised to strictly follow the guidelines by the MoHS to prevent and mitigate of the spread of the COVID-19.

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