MoHS Statement on Novel Coronavirus (26 February 2020, 8:15PM) (Link) (Unofficial translation by OCHA)

1. Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) has been spreading in 34 countries including China, and the World Health Organization (WHO) updated as below (as of 15:30 Myanmar Standard Time on 25 February 2019).

Globally

- Confirmed cases - 80,239 - Deaths - 2,700

China

- Confirmed cases - 77,780 - Deaths - 2,666

Countries outside China - 33
Laboratory-confirmed cases - 2,459

- Countries which have more than 30 laboratory-confirmed cases were South Korea, Japan, Italy, Singapore, Iran, United States and Thailand.
- The 34 deaths outside China were:

•	Iran	12
•	South Korea	10
•	Italy	6
•	Philippines	1
•	Japan	1
•	France	1
•	Diamond Princes Cruise	3

(**Note:** In Hubei Province of China, the centre of coronavirus outbreak, clinically diagnosed cases in addition to laboratory-confirmed cases were counted.)

2. COVID-19 in Myanmar

No confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Myanmar as of 26 February 2020

A 32-year-old US citizen has been treated as a Person Under Investigation (PUI) in Weibargi Hospital of Yangon Region. He has a travel record of having been in China for three months and in Malaysia for three days from 20 to 22 February before arriving in Myanmar on 26 February 2020. Nasal swab taken from him will be sent to the National Health Laboratory in Yangon.

Situation Update (31.01.2020 – 26.02.2020)					
Person Under Investigation (PUI)	40				
Suspected patient	2				
Total	42				
Two people have been under laboratory test, while 40 have tested negative for COVID-19.					

3. As of 26 February 2020, two patients under the process of laboratory were at designated hospitals in relevant Regions/States, and one patient who already tested negative for COVID-19 remained in a hospital to keep under surveillance till 48 hours according to the procedure.

- 4. The MoHS has been speeding up on monitoring and preventive measures on COVID-19, in cooperation with other relevant ministries, and national and international organizations.
- 5. As of 26 February 2020, Myanmar has received local and international supports as below.

No	Organization	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	N-95 Mask	Surgical Mask	Hand Gel	Non-Contact Thermomete r	Ventilator	Glove
1	WHO	100	500	-	-	-		
2	Myanmar Red Cross Society	2,000	-	5,000	1,857	-		6,000
3	Sea Lion Company	2,000	-	-	-	-		
4	Okkar Thiri Company	1,000	-	-	225	-		
5	Zizawa Company	-	ı	-	ı	45		
6	Gold Lite Co., Ltd	-	2,000	-	-	-		
7	Ecllion Global Group and other donors	3,300	-	-	-	-		
8	Yee Shin Company						5	
9	Valves Co., Ltd			2,000				
10	Japan Heart				970			
	Total	8,400	2,500	7,000	3,052	45	5	6,000

Donors, local and international organizations are invited to donate medicines and medical equipment to the Ministry of Health and Sports.

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