**MoHS Statement on COVID-19 (18 April 2020, 8:00 AM) (**[**Link**](https://www.facebook.com/MinistryOfHealthAndSportsMyanmar/photos/a.281312618564717/3336340026395279/?type=3&__xts__%5B0%5D=68.ARAZ8oKhC1df5wnw-xx0YdojoLrCHi2t4H4CM5BfyGepguax-Dk6O6FjMPnKhSw9rLJBbkJNH7n08yXoubVuOIwf9FUkI_ddQ3NO91DGH_aJolpz8hUwOpOffNBY4J4xlbebatrwpbzASwKkwnP1wElUJ7A4iwU-X9tH44q-4AthwZYIGTkJzNT3Gl91xI3ko7mKOo9omXN52feFCDeVGIHAYrDC8aL1JpnAoFoaoKEMKi6B4cleSyQd3zfFf5NqVIEZv_JODFotod4twK9HfIm00hmJxCtQMwmDE_uOtwGrZszbO-YFOvO3IGkmpCRQ05hqHGzmLPF08JG4VulLx4M6ow&__tn__=-R)**)**

*(Unofficial translation by OCHA)*

1. The Ministry of Health and Sports, the National Health Laboratory (Yangon) tested the nasal swabs of a total of 378 Persons Under Investigation (PUIs), 177 PUIs were delivered by respective Region/State and 201 were quarantined/prohibited persons, on 17 April 2020.

2. Out of all nasal swabs, the first batch of 93 PUIs was tested, in which 3 PUIs tested positive for COVID-19 and remaining 90 tested negative. This update was released at 8:00 PM news on 17 April 2020.

3. According to the test results of National Health Laboratory (Yangon) at night on 17 April 2020, nasal swabs of remaining 285 PUIs were tested. Out of 285 PUIs, 6 tested positive for COVID-19 and remaining 279 tested negative.

1. There are 94 confirmed patients of COVID-19 in Myanmar until now.
2. A patient aged 78 (male), who was confirmed as positive for COVID-19 from Insein General Hospital on 17 April 2020, has diabetes and hypertension. He suffered from symptoms on 13 April 2020 and provided medical treatment at Insein General Hospital on 15 April 2020 as person under investigation. After the patient was confirmed as positive, he was transferred to Waibargi Specialist Hospital on 17 April 2020 and provided intensive care treatment. He was deceased at 2:55 AM on 18 April 2020. Cause of death were sudden failure of respiratory tract due to severe pneumonia, hypertension and type (2) diabetes diseases.
3. Three patients in Waibargi Specialist Hospital are being provided with medical treatment at Intensive Care Unit.
4. Detail news will be released.