



**State Control Room, Directorate of Public Health and Preventive Medicine  
Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu**

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*Daily report on Public Health measures taken for COVID-19*

WHO has declared COVID-19 affecting 179 countries as Pandemic. In this context, Government of Tamil Nadu has strengthened the surveillance and control measures against the disease, as per the national guidelines.

All the passengers from all the international flights are screened universally through thermal screening. In Tamil Nadu, till date 205396 passengers are screened at the Airports of Chennai, Trichy, Madurai, and Coimbatore. As on date, 9424 passengers are under home quarantine for 28 days. Currently, 198 asymptomatic passengers from highly affected countries are being quarantined in quarantine facilities near airport and 54 are under hospital isolation.

Till now 443 samples have been taken from the passengers and sent for testing at King Institute of Preventive Medicine & Research, Guindy Chennai, National Institute of Virology, Pune, Theni VRDL, Thiruvarur VRDL, Tirunelveli VRDL, RGGGH VDRL Coimbatore VRDL and Salem VRDL. The samples of 359 passengers are processed of which 352 samples are negative, 7 samples are positive for COVID-19 infection and 84 samples are under process.

A 20 years old passenger with travel history to Delhi and a 21 years old passenger with travel history to Ireland who tested positive for COVID-19 are stable and under observation in RGGGH, Chennai. 4 more positive cases have been confirmed with travel history to New Zealand, Thailand and Spain. All the patients are stable and are under treatment.

The general public are advised to adhere to health advisories and travel advisories issued by the state Government. Public should follow the cough etiquette by covering the face using handkerchief / towel while sneezing / coughing. Do frequent handwashing with soap and water.

People are strongly advised to refrain from travelling to China, Hong Kong, Republic of Korea, Italy, Iran, France, Spain & Germany and strongly advised to avoid non- essential travel to other COVID-19 affected countries. All people coming from or having travel history with China, Hong Kong, Republic of Korea, Italy, Iran, France, Spain, UAE, Qatar, Oman, Kuwait, Germany, Australia, USA and United Kingdom should remain under strict home quarantine or hospital isolation for 28 days from the date of arrival in India.

Further travel of passengers from members countries of the European union, Turkey, United Kingdom, Afghanistan, Philippines and Malaysia to India are banned till 31st March 2020. All international commercial passenger flights are cancelled from 22.03.2020 to 29.03.2020. District level disaster management control room are activated with contact number – 1077. Toll free number 1800-120555550.

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**District Wise Report of passengers on follow-up for 28-day period for COVID-19  
infection**

Sl.No	District	Feb 24 - Mar 11	12- Mar	13- Mar	14- Mar	15- Mar	16- Mar	17- Mar	18- Mar	19- Mar	20- Mar	21- Mar	Total
1	Ariyalur	0		1	2		7	2	5	6	80	16	119
2	Chengalpattu	59	13	10	44	26	21	1	2	2	61	2	241
3	Chennai	266	49	96	171	92	144	117	108	227	1246	405	2921
4	Coimbatore	59	17	26	12	12	12	14	11	41	136	47	387
5	Cuddalore	15	2	12	19	5	16	10	21	34	184	48	366
6	Dharmapuri	1			3			2			15	4	25
7	Dindigul	8	2		2		1	1	7	6	24	13	64
8	Erode	11		1		4	2	6	5	9	27	13	78
9	Kallakurichi	2				1	2						5
10	Kancheepuram	66	4	2	7	3	10	24	10	22	18	16	182
11	Kanyakumari	14	1	2	34	2	10	14	13	35	239	55	419
12	Karur	5				1	3	2		5	22	6	44
13	Krishnagiri	1	1		3		2	3		3	29	9	51
14	Madurai	14	1	7	15	9	9	17		13	104	53	242
15	Nagapattinam	30	3	12	14	3	14	1		10	107	61	255
16	Namakkal	31	1		2	2	7	3		6	34	7	93
17	Nilgris	1		2			2				5	11	21
18	Perambalur	1			2		4	3		10	74	22	116
19	Pudukottai	12	3	7	10	1	30	7	40	55	172	62	399
20	Ramanathapuram	8	1	3	6	4	12	8	35	16	175	45	313
21	Ranipet	4	1										5
22	Salem	24	3	2	4	2	5	6	13	17	40	14	130
23	Sivaganga	6		4	7	9	19	4	42	48	202	45	386
24	Tenkasi	3			4					6	2	1	16
25	Thanjavur	49		2	27	9	31	19	46	47	271	91	592
26	Theni	6	3	1	2	4	5		5	2	19	16	63
27	Thiruvallur	23		7	12	14	13	15	2	6	38	19	149
28	Thiruvarur	23		2	9	1	15	2	22	25	138	32	269
29	Thoothukudi	42	3	3	11	1	1	4	6	10	73	11	165
30	Tiruchirapalli	48	6	4	13	5	18	12	33	38	161	63	401
31	Tirunelveli	12	2	1	14	5	5	11	18	23	122	44	257
32	Tirupathur	2			2								4
33	Tiruppur	17	1		3	2	1	5	1	3	25	9	67
34	Tiruvannamalai	9		4	5	3	3	6	7	4	28	7	76
35	Vellore	18	4	11	17	5	14	16	9	16	71	27	208
36	Villupuram	7		6	4	11	10	1	8	9	94	18	168
37	Virudhunagar	16	2		4	6	3	1	17	7	54	19	129
	<b>Total</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>4092</b>	<b>1309</b>	<b>9424</b>