

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 190 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 209276 passengers are screened at the Airports of Chennai, Trichy, Madurai, and Coimbatore. As on date, 15492 passengers are under home quarantine for 28 days. In addition, we are monitoring 86,644 passengers as given by bureau of migration. Currently, 104 asymptomatic passengers from highly affected countries are being quarantined in quarantine facilities near airport and 211 are under hospital isolation.

Till now 890 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, Salem VRDL and Villupuram VRDL. The samples of 782 passengers are processed of which 757 samples are negative, 23 samples are positive for COVID-19 infection and 110 samples are under process.

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.

COVID-19 Positive patients:

Patient 16: A 65 year old male from Kotturpuram, with co-morbid conditions, has tested positive for COVID-19 on 24.03.2020. He had travelled from New Zealand to Chennai airport. (No. of Contacts -77). Isolated at Private Hospital.

Patient 17: A 55 year old female from Saidapet, has tested positive for COVID-19 on 24.03.2020. (No. of Contacts -18). Isolated at KMCH, Chennai.

Patient 18: A 25 year old male, Alandur, tested positive on 24.03.2020. He had travelled from London to Bangalore airport. (No. of Contacts -51). Isolated at RGGGH, Chennai.

Patient 19 to 22: 4 Indonesian nationals, came to Salem via Delhi, tested positive on 25.03.2020. (No. of Contacts – 70). Isolated at Govt. Salem Medical College

Patient 23: 63 yr old male Indian native of Chennai, travel Guide of case

19 to 22 travelled along with them, tested positive on 25.03.2020. Patient is stable. Isolated at Govt Salem Medical College Hospital.

District level disaster management control room are activated with contact number – 1077. Toll free number 1800-120555550.

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

| S.No. | Districts | 26-Feb - 14- Mar | 15- Mar | 16- Mar | 17- Mar | 18- Mar | 19- Mar | 20- Mar | 21- Mar | 22- Mar | 23- Mar | 24- Mar | Total |
|-------|----------------|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------|
| 1 | Ariyalur | 3 | | 7 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 67 | 12 | 33 | 34 | 19 | 188 |
| 2 | Chengalpattu | 112 | 26 | 23 | 17 | 11 | 16 | 58 | 7 | 46 | 84 | | 400 |
| 3 | Chennai | 520 | 90 | 126 | 66 | 104 | 218 | 947 | 295 | 912 | 1528 | 1 | 4807 |
| 4 | Coimbatore | 100 | 12 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 39 | 153 | 41 | 145 | 210 | | 732 |
| 5 | Cuddalore | 49 | 7 | 16 | 5 | 21 | 33 | 136 | 30 | 91 | 236 | 10 | 634 |
| 6 | Dharmapuri | 4 | | | 2 | | | 11 | 4 | 4 | 23 | | 48 |
| 7 | Dindigul | 12 | | 1 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 27 | 10 | 18 | 31 | 2 | 115 |
| 8 | Erode | 10 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 9 | 34 | 11 | 23 | 28 | | 131 |
| 9 | Kallakurichi | 2 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | | | | 1 | | 8 |
| 10 | Kancheepuram | 63 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 17 | 3 | 8 | 18 | 1 | 126 |
| 11 | Kanyakumari | 44 | 2 | 9 | 13 | 12 | 35 | 598 | 44 | 148 | 111 | 1 | 1017 |
| 12 | Karur | 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 5 | 15 | 5 | 7 | 23 | 2 | 66 |
| 13 | Krishnagiri | 4 | | 1 | 2 | | 3 | 15 | 8 | 39 | 33 | | 105 |
| 14 | Madurai | 32 | 9 | 8 | 15 | | 12 | 97 | 37 | 74 | 101 | 2 | 387 |
| 15 | Nagapattinam | 58 | 4 | 14 | 1 | | 10 | 103 | 52 | 64 | 85 | 24 | 415 |
| 16 | Namakkal | 32 | 1 | 5 | 3 | | 6 | 18 | 7 | 14 | 34 | 2 | 122 |
| 17 | Nilgris | 3 | | 2 | | | | 28 | 11 | 54 | 20 | | 118 |
| 18 | Perambalur | 3 | | 4 | 3 | | 10 | 78 | 17 | 29 | 51 | 14 | 209 |
| 19 | Pudukottai | 31 | 1 | 30 | 7 | 40 | 55 | 107 | 51 | 85 | 132 | 19 | 558 |
| 20 | Ramanathapuram | 18 | 4 | 12 | 7 | 35 | 15 | 94 | 33 | 70 | 104 | 12 | 404 |
| 21 | Ranipet | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | 4 |
| 22 | Salem | 31 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 13 | 17 | 56 | 12 | 170 | 52 | 3 | 367 |
| 23 | Sivaganga | 17 | 9 | 19 | 4 | 42 | 47 | 124 | 40 | 77 | 119 | 13 | 511 |
| 24 | Tenkasi | 7 | | | | 1 | 6 | 6 | 3 | | 4 | | 27 |
| 25 | Thanjavur | 76 | 9 | 30 | 16 | 47 | 47 | 235 | 76 | 123 | 185 | 60 | 904 |
| 26 | Theni | 12 | 4 | 3 | | 5 | 2 | 30 | 15 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 89 |
| 27 | Thiruvallur | 38 | 15 | 9 | 16 | 2 | 6 | 24 | 16 | 10 | 34 | 1 | 171 |
| 28 | Thiruvarur | 32 | 2 | 15 | 1 | 22 | 25 | 139 | 23 | 63 | 92 | 32 | 446 |
| 29 | Thoothukudi | 50 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 10 | 55 | 9 | 28 | 67 | | 230 |
| 30 | Tiruchirapalli | 66 | 5 | 14 | 11 | 29 | 37 | 122 | 51 | 103 | 158 | 34 | 630 |
| 31 | Tirunelveli | 27 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 17 | 23 | 148 | 35 | 82 | 120 | 4 | 474 |
| 32 | Tirupathur | 4 | | | | | | | | | 2 | | 6 |
| 33 | Tiruppur | 15 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 35 | 8 | 9 | 30 | | 109 |
| 34 | Tiruvannamalai | 17 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 29 | 4 | 65 | 41 | 1 | 173 |
| 35 | Vellore | 42 | 4 | 14 | 9 | 9 | 15 | 88 | 19 | 60 | 79 | | 339 |
| 36 | Villupuram | 15 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 8 | 9 | 61 | 10 | 30 | 93 | 2 | 251 |
| 37 | Virudhunagar | 20 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 17 | 7 | 40 | 15 | 24 | 38 | | 171 |
| | Total | 1578 | 241 | 413 | 248 | 477 | 740 | 3795 | 1014 | 2716 | 4010 | 260 | 15492 |