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# **PIB'S BULLETIN ON COVID-19**

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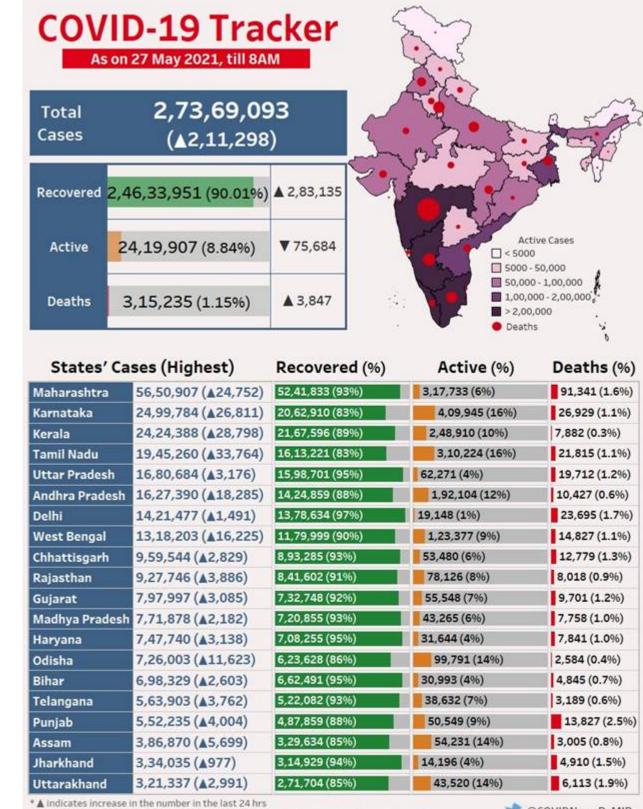
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\* 'Recovered' and 'Active' bar plots (for states) are to scale; the 'Deaths' plot is NOT to scale

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### Recoveries continue to outnumber the Daily New Cases for the 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive day

- At 2.11 Lakh Cases, declining trend in new cases is maintained
- 2,46,33,951 total Recoveries across the country so far. 2,83,135patients recovered during last 24 hours.

- Recovery Rate increases to 90.01%
- Weekly Positivity Rate currently at 10.93%
- Daily positivity rate at 9.79%, less than 10% for 3 consecutive days.
- 20.27 Cr. Vaccine Doses administered so far under Nationwide Vaccination Drive
- After the USA, India is the 2nd country to achieve the 20 cr Vaccination doses landmark
- Testing capacity substantially ramped up- 21.57 lakh tests conducted in last 24 hours

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# Myths & Facts on India's Vaccination Process

Several myths on India's Covid-19 vaccination program are doing the rounds. These myths are arising due to distorted statements, half truths and blatant lies.

Member (Health) in NITI Aayog and Chair of the National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration for COVID-19 (NEGVAC) Dr Vinod Paul addresses these myths and gives out facts on all these issues.

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# More than 22crore vaccine doses provided to States/UTs

Government of India has so far provided, both through the free of cost category and through direct state procurement category, **more than 22crore vaccine doses** (22,16,11,940) to States/UTs Of this, the total consumption, including wastages is 20,17,59,768 doses (as per data available at 8 AM today).

More than 1.84 crore COVID Vaccine doses (1,84,90,522) are still available with the States/UTs to be administered.

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# Update on COVID Relief Aid

Government of India has been receiving international cooperation of COVID-19 relief medical supplies and equipment since 27th April 2021 from different countries/organisations. These are being promptly dispatched/delivered to the States and UTs.

Cumulatively, 18,006 Oxygen Concentrators; 19,085 Oxygen Cylinders; 19 Oxygen Generation Plants; 14,514 ventilators/ BiPAP; ~7 L Remdesivir vials, ~12L Favipiravir tablets delivered/ dispatched through road and air, from 27th April 2021 to 26th May 2021.

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# <u>Guidelines for Near to Home COVID Vaccination Centres (NHCVC) for Elderly & Differently</u> <u>Abled Citizens shared by Union Health Ministry with States/UTs</u>

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The National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration for Covid-19 (NEGVAC) has recommended the proposal by a Technical Expert Committee of the Union Ministry on the guidelines for Near to Home COVID Vaccination Centres (NHCVC) for Elderly & Differently Abled Citizens. These recommendations have also been accepted by the Union Ministry of Health. NHCVC for Elderly & Differently-abled citizens would follow a community-based, flexible and people-centric approach, bringing the COVID Vaccination Centres nearer to homes.

The Technical Expert Committee's recommendations are aimed to ensure vaccination of Senior Citizens and Differently Abled population having limited mobility due to their physical condition. The ecommendations are in response to the need to increase access by bringing vaccination services closer to the community while maintaining all necessary precautions and safety measures, as per the Operational Guidelines and Advisories issued from time to time.

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# No disruption of steel production or oxygen supply took place due to Cyclone Yaas

Ministry of Steel held meeting with all major steel players on 23rd May, along with Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, in order to ascertain the likely impact of Cyclone Yaas on steel making and on oxygen production. It was also planned that temporarily for 2 to 4 days, the states which were dependent on Kalinga Nagar and Angul plants of Odisha would draw from TATA Jamshedpur plant. It is confirmed that no power disruption was experienced by any steel plant located in Angul, Kalinganagar and Rourkela in Odisha. TATA representatives, who have plants in Odisha have confirmed that there has not been any impact of cyclone Yaas on the LMO production on the Tata Steel plants.

Dispatch of LMO from all the attached oxygen plants in Kalinganagar, Jamshedpur and Angul continued as usual without any disruption.

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# <u>Highest single day load of 1195 MT Oxygen relief to the Nation delivered by Oxygen Expresses,</u> <u>surpassing its previous high of 1142 MT</u>

Indian Railways is continuing its journey of bringing relief by delivering Liquid Medical Oxygen(LMO) to various states across the country. So far, Indian Railways has delivered more than 18980 MT of LMO in more than 1141 tankers to various states across the country.

It may be noted that 284 Oxygen Expresses have completed their journey so far and brought relief to various States.

Oxygen Expresses delivered their highest single day load of 1195 MT Oxygen relief to the Nation surpassing its previous high of 1142 delivered on 23rd May 2021.

Offloading of Liquid Medical Oxygen(LMO) in Delhi crossed 5000 MT.Amongst the Southern States, delivery of LMO to Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Telangana crossed 1000 MT each. Oxygen Expresses started their deliveries 33 days back on 24th April in Maharashtra with a load of 126 MT.

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# DST supported disinfection system makes N95 Masks, PPE, medical gear reusable and reduces excessive COVID 19 bio-medical waste generation

A N95 Mask/PPE disinfection system developed by Mumbai-based start-up, Indra Water, has been installed at multiple Government hospitals across Maharashtra & Telangana.

The disinfection system called VajraKavach is significantly decreasing the cost of combating the main and emic by making PPE, medical, and nonmedical gear reusable and reducing the generation of excessive COVID 19 related bio-medical waste, thereby helping the environment. It is also making personal protective equipment more available, affordable, and accessible.

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### NTPC extends support to protect the society at large from the spread of Coronavirus

NTPC, the largest energy conglomerate of the country under Ministry of Power has not only ensured uninterrupted power supply to the country during the second wave of COVID-19 but also has reached out to the society and has made significant efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19 by enhancing medical infrastructure in different parts of the country.

NTPC came forward and developed more than 600 Oxygen beds and 1200 isolation beds in it's different projects and surroundings on war footing basis in a span of one week which proved to be life saviour for many including the general public. NTPC has been working in close coordination with the state and district administration and has augmented medical infrastructure even in remote locations.

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### **INPUTS FROM PIB FIELD OFFICES**

**Kerala:** A decision on extending the Covid lockdown in the state will be taken after examining the Covid transmission rate in the coming days. Currently, the lockdown is announced till May 30. The average test positivity rate in the last one week is 22.2 percent. However, the test positivity rate in some districts, where the number of patients is high, remains above 25 percent. Meanwhile, the government has decided to start digital classes in schools from June 1. Apart from classes aired on government's Victers Channel, online classes will also be held. Considering the Covid situation, the school admission festival will be conducted virtually on the first day of the new academic year. A decision in conducting Plus One exam will be taken soon. As part of the efforts to curb exorbitant pricing of Covid treatment products the government is planning to invoke Essential Commodities Act in the sale of these products. 28,798 new cases of Covid-19 were detected in the state yesterday. 151 deaths were also confirmed pushing the death toll to 7882. TPR which shot up as high as 30 %, has fallen below 20 %. So far, a total of 88,56,897 people have been vaccinated in the state. Out of this, 68,34,933 were administered with first dose and 20,21,964 second dose.

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**Tamil Nadu:**Chief Minister MK Stalin on Wednesday flagged off 1,400 imported oxygen cylinders and oxygen regulators to 18 districts for Covid-19 treatment. Health Minister M Subramanian has said 286 are affected by black fungus in Tamil Nadu. PMK leader S. Ramadoss has urged the TN government to make vaccination mandatory to avail the benefits of the welfare schemes of the state. Puducherry UT recorded 27 Covid-19 deaths to raise the toll to 1,435 while reporting 1,321 new cases and 1,927 recoveries on Wednesday. The declining graph of new Covid cases in TN continued on Wednesday, with the State reporting 33,764 fresh infections. With the death of 475 people, the fatalities rose to 21,815 and the number of active cases, including cases of isolation is 3,10,224 as per state bulletin. Till date 79,14,277 have been vaccinated across TN, of which 59,40,657 received first dose and 19,73,620 received second dose.

**Karnataka:** As per the State Government bulletin released for 26-05-2021, New Cases Reported: 26,811; Total Active Cases: 4,09,924; New Covid Deaths: 530; Total Covid Deaths: 26,929. Around 1,27,317 were vaccinated yesterday with a total of 1,25,41,765 have been vaccinated in the state till now. After increasing numbers of fresh Covid-19 cases being reported from rural areas of Karnataka, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa interacted with select gram panchayats reporting high caseload via video conferencing on Wednesday morning. Bengaluru's civic body, the Bruhat Bengaluru MahanagaraPalike (BBMP) has trained and deployed 11 women marshals across the city on an experimental basis to enforce Covid-19 norms and help out at care centres.

Andhra Pradesh:State reported 18,285 new Covid-19 cases after testing 91,120 samples with 99 deaths, while 24,105 got discharged during the last 24 hours. A total of 84,59,763 doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the state as on yesterday, which include 60,76,647 first doses and 23,83,116 second doses. During the Covid-19 review the Chief Minister directed the officials to ensure allotment of 50 per cent of beds in private hospitals to patients being treated under Aarogyasri scheme. He appreciated the officials for augmenting supply of oxygen in the State, which increased to over 600 MT from 330 MT and suggested the officials to focus on auditing oxygen stocks to streamline its supply further. Meanwhile, the State government, in the wake of covid situation, has decided to postpone tenth class exams from June 7. It informed the High Court that it would review on conducting tenth class examinations in July.

**Telangana:**The State Government has decided to conduct a special Covid vaccination drive from 28th to 30th of this month to inoculate super spreaders/high risk groups like journalists, delivery boys, auto and cab drivers, fair price shop dealers who have more contact with people as part of their duties. Director of State Public Health Dr.Sreenivasa Rao said in two phases of house-to-house Fever Survey conducted by the Health department, it is found that about four lakh people are suffering from Covid-like symptoms in the state and so far 3.16 Lakh of them have been supplied Home Isolation Kits. Meanwhile, as many as 3,762 new Covid cases and 20 fatalities were reported yesterday taking the cumulative number of deaths to 3,189 and the total number of positive cases to 5,63,903. The number of Active Cases in the state now stands at 38,632.

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Maharashtra: In anticipation of the impact on children during the possible third wave of COVID-19, Maharashtra Government has set up a Special Task Force to develop prevention and treatment methods. This Special Task Force will work to protect children from the infection of COVID-19. Besides, it will provide guidance on treatment, facilities and medicines. Senior paediatrician of Hinduja Hospital Dr.SuhasPrabhu will be the chief of this task force.Maharashtra is witnessing a decline in not just Covid-19 cases but deaths, which was on the higher side over the past several days. On Wednesday, the state recorded 24,752 new cases and 453 deaths.

**Gujarat:** Gujarat government on Wednesday relaxed the night curfew in place by an hour in 36 cities but did not change the restrictions which have been clamped during the day as the western state recorded a significant drop in the new cases of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19). Chief Minister Vijay Rupani made the announcement about the revised curfew timings after a cabinet meeting in Gandhinagar. The chief minister also said the state government is alert about the possibility of a third wave of the coronavirus pandemic and a detailed action plan to deal with it will be announced soon.

**Rajasthan:** The State Government has formed 3 teams to audit the deaths from corona that took place last month in the state. They have been asked to submit the report in 15 days. The teams have been directed to assess the total deaths as well as the deaths that took place due to Covid.

The COVID-19 tally in Rajasthan reached 9,27,746 on Wednesday with 3,886 fresh cases, while 107 more fatalities pushed the death toll to 8,018. Of the fresh positive cases, a maximum of 779 were reported from Jaipur, 340 from Jodhpur and 284 from Alwar.

**Madhya Pradesh**: In Madhya Pradesh, more than one crore Corona vaccine doses have been administered so far to people above 45 years along with those between 18 to 45 years of age. Chief Minister directed that priority groups should also be formed in 18 vaccinations like hand cart owners, hawkers. Parents of young children can also be kept in the priority group.

Madhya Pradesh on Wednesday reported 2,182 fresh coronavirus positive cases while 7,479 patients were discharged and 72 succumbed to the infection, the state health department said. Madhya Pradesh is now left with 43,265 active cases.

**Chhattisgarh**: Chhattisgarh's coronavirus infection count rose to 9,59,544 on Wednesday with the addition of 2,829 cases, while the death toll mounted by 56 to 12,779. The number of recoveries reached 8,93,258 after a total of 997 people were discharged from various hospitals, while 4,100 others completed their home isolation during the day. The number of active cases in the state stands at 53,480. The COVID-19 positivity rate in the state has now declined to 4.7 per cent, which was 26.1 percent on May 1.

**Goa:** The state epidemiologist has said that Goa has crossed the peak of the second wave of Covid-19. The epidemiologist added that there's no place for complacency till cases dip below 200 a day.During the first peak last September, the state touched a peak of 740 cases in a day, but from that point, it took more than a month for the graph to show a substantial descent, and for the daily average of new infections to fall below 200.

Punjab: The total number of patients tested Positive is 548231. Number of active cases is 53127. Total Deaths reported is 13642. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 1st dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 870938. Total COVID-19 Vaccinated with 2nd dose (Healthcare + Frontline Workers) is 247533. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 1st dose is 2736806. Total above 45 Vaccinated with 2nd dose is 459657.

**Chandigarh**: Total Lab confirmed COVID-19 cases is 58992. Total number of Active Cases is 4063. Total number of COVID-19 deaths till date is 714.

Haryana: Total Number of Samples found positive till date is 744602. Total active COVID-19 patients is 34088. Number of deaths is 7735. Cumulative number of people vaccinated till date is 5439215.

**Assam:**The State's COVID positivity dropped below 5 percent, but high daily casualties at 90 remained a concern for the Health Department. A total of 5,699 new cases were detected in 1,16,119 tests done across the state at the positivity rate of 4.91 percent.

The State government has issued a new SOP making it mandatory for a person to undergo COVID test before vaccination. COVID 19 positive persons will not be vaccinated.

**Manipur:** State recorded 847 new cases, 10 deaths in 24 hours. The state government has announced upper limit for treatment of Covid patients in private hospitals. As per an order issued on Wednesday by state health department, the upper limit rate is Rs 3000 per day for general/ isolation bed without O2 support, Rs 5000 per day for general/isolation bed with O2 support, Rs 7000 per day for High Dependency Unit (HDU), Rs 8000 for ICU without ventilator and Rs 10,000 for ICU with ventilator use. So far, 3,55,793 individuals have been vaccinated against Covid-19 with 79,897 jabbed with the second dose.

**Meghalaya:**The active COVID-19 tally has breached the 8,000-mark in Meghalaya with 846 fresh cases reported on Wednesday. The recovery rate has also picked up with the state recording more than 700 recoveries for the second day consecutively. With 10 deaths recorded in the last 24 hours, the tally has now gone up to 512. The state government has cautioned people against sharing/spreading wrong information on COVID-19 and warned of stringent action against any violator under the Epidemic Diseases Act.

Sikkim:295 new cases, 241 recoveries and 2 deaths: Sikkim's tally of the confirmed cases of COVID-19 has now reached13,806. On the other hand, the number of recovered cases of COVID-19 in Sikkim stands at 9,933. There are currently 3,422 active cases of coronavirus in the State.

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**Tripura:**Yesterday 667 were tested positive with West District reporting 330 new positive cases in the last 24 hours. 6 deaths have been recorded while 1066 persons recovered. But West District has become a cause of Concern for the Government with high positivity rate.

**Nagaland:** Nagaland registered 260 new Covid cases and 12 deaths on Wednesday. Total active cases are 4923 while tally went up to 20,795.Dimapur oxygen plant receiveed certification and started functioning. The plant installed under PM Cares Fund would produce 200 litres of oxygen per minute.

# **IMPORTANT TWEETS**

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Sharing information on social media about a child found abandoned or in distress, can put the child's life at risk.

Report such information to CHILDLINE (1098) a 24 Hour Helpline for #Children in need of care and protection pic.twitter.com/dwZaAPCBmX

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→ https://t.co/61Oox5pH7x is the official portal to register for #COVID19 Vaccination or use UMANG & Aarogya Setu app pic.twitter.com/XGygYev9W3

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