

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 186 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 209163 passengers are screened at the Airports of Chennai, Trichy, Madurai, and Coimbatore. As on date, 15298 passengers are under home quarantine for 28 days. Currently, 43 asymptomatic passengers from highly affected countries are being quarantined in quarantine facilities near airport and 116 are under hospital isolation.

Till now 743 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 623 passengers are processed of which 608 samples are negative, 15 samples are positive for COVID-19 infection and 120 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 10: A 25 year old male from Chennai, has tested positive for COVID-19 on 23.03.2020. He had travelled from London- Bangalore airport then to Chennai via car on 14.03.2020 (No. of Contact -23)

Patient 11: A 48 year old male from Tiruppur, has tested positive for COVID-19 on 23.03.2020. He had travelled from UK to Coimbatore on 15.03.2020 (No. of Contact -185)

Patient 12: A 54 year old male, Anna nagar Madurai with co-morbid conditions admitted in Rajaji hospital Madurai tested positive on 23.03.2020. (No. of Contact -51)

Patient 13: A 74 year old male from porur has tested positive for COVID-19 on 24.03.2020. He had travelled from USA to Chennai via Singapore on 12.03.2020. (No. of Contact -108)

24*7 Control Room Landline: 044-29510400, 044-29510500 Mobile Numbers: 9444340496, 8754448477 **Patient 14:** A 52 year old female from Purasaiwakam, Chennai has tested positive for COVID-19 on 24.03.2020. She had travelled from USA to Chennai via London on 17.03.2020. (No. of Contact -149)

Patient 15: A 25 year old Female from keelkatalai has tested positive for COVID-19 on 24.03.2020. She had travelled from Switzerland to Delhi on 15.03.2020, then came to mother house at Medavakkam. (No. of Contact -41)

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 infection

S1.No	District	Feb 24 - Mar	14- Mar	15- Mar	16- Mar	17- Mar	18- Mar	19- Mar	20- Mar	21- Mar	22- Mar	23- Mar	Total
		12	Mar										
1	Chennai	377	164	90	126	66	104	218	947	295	923	1534	4844
2	Kanyakumari	10	34	2	9	13	12	35	598	44	148	111	1016
3	Thanjavur	49	27	9	30	16	47	47	235	76	123	185	844
4	Coimbatore	92	12	12	12	10	10	39	153	41	146	212	739
5	Cuddalore	29	20	7	16	5	21	33	136	30	91	236	624
6	Tiruchirapalli	57	10	5	14	11	30	37	122	51	103	158	598
7	Pudukottai	21	10	1	30	7	40	55	107	51	85	132	539
8	Sivaganga	10	7	9	19	4	42	47	124	40	77	119	498
9	Tirunelveli	14	13	5	4	10	17	23	148	35	82	122	473
10	Thiruvarur	24	8	2	15	1	22	25	139	23	63	92	414
11	Ramanathapuram	12	6	4	12	7	35	15	94	33	70	104	392
12	Nagapattinam	44	14	4	14	1		10	103	52	64	85	391
13	Madurai	18	14	9	8	15		12	97	37	74	101	385
14	Salem	29	3	2	5	6	13	17	56	12	171	52	366
15	Vellore	25	17	4	14	9	9	15	88	19	60	79	339
16	Chengalpattu	70	43	26	23	4	10	15	56	7	7	43	304
17	Villupuram	11	4	11	11	1	8	9	61	10	30	93	249
18	Thoothukudi	40	11	1	1	3	6	10	55	9	28	67	231
19	Kancheepuram	58	6	2	6	15	2	6	19	3	47	59	223
20	Perambalur	1	2		4	3		10	78	17	29	51	195
21	Tiruvannamalai	12	7	3	3	2	7	3	29	4	65	43	178
22	Thiruvallur	26	13	15	9	16	2	6	24	16	10	34	171
	Virudhunagar	16	4	6	3	1	17	7	40	15	24	38	171
	Ariyalur	1	2		7	2	5	6	67	12	33	34	169
	Erode	10		4	2	5	5	9	34	11	23	28	131
	Namakkal	31	2	1	5	3		6	18	7	14	34	121
	Nilgris	3			2				28	11	55	20	119
28	Dindigul	10	2		1	1	7	6	27	10	19	32	115
	Tiruppur	14	2	2	1	5	1	3	35	8	9	30	110
	Krishnagiri	2	2		1	2		3	15	8		33	106
	Theni	10	2	4	3		5	2	30	15		9	88
	Karur	5		1	1	2		5	15	5	7	23	64
	Dharmapuri	1	3			2			11	4	4	23	48
	Tenkasi	2	5				1	6	6	3		4	27
	Kallakurichi	2		1	2							1	6
	Tirupathur	2	2									2	6
37	Ranipet	4											4
	Total	1142	471	242	413	248	478	740	3795	1014	2732	4023	15298