



**Government of West Bengal**  
**Health & family Welfare Department**  
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**Bulletin**

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WHO has declared the Novel Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) as a pandemic on 11th March, 2020 affecting 201 countries/ territories/areas. In this context, Government of West Bengal has strengthened the surveillance and control measures against the disease. As on today total 81093 travelers / persons have been screened at Kolkata & Bagdogra Airport and 565772 persons have been screened at seven Land Border Check Points along Nepal and Bangladesh. Also 5778 crew members of ships have been screened in three Ports. Till date 150,720 travelers have been identified and placed under surveillance. For 2705 of them the surveillance period has been over. 238 are admitted in isolation facility. Rest 147,777 is under home surveillance. Till date samples were collected from 543 suspects for test of COVID-19 and the results of 512 persons were negative. Samples from 27 persons have come as positive till now. Results of 4 individuals are awaited. The health condition of all persons under surveillance is stable including the patients admitted in Isolation. A 24X7 control room is operating in the State Head Quarter. Isolation facilities with total 1317 beds have been arranged in different Medical Colleges, District Hospitals, Sub-divisional Hospitals and Multi-specialty Hospitals across the State (100 hospitals).

In the background of the present COVID-19 outbreak, the general public is advised to adhere to health advisories issued by the State Government. All the guidelines for health and hygiene are posted on [www.wbhealth.gov.in](http://www.wbhealth.gov.in). People at large should follow the cough etiquette by covering the nose and mouth using handkerchief/towel while sneezing/coughing and do frequent hand-washing with soap and water. Those who have arrived from the COVID-19 affected countries should remain under home quarantine for 14 days from the date of arrival in India, even if they do not have any symptoms. They should contact the Help Line no. given below in case they develop fever with cough/difficulty of breathing during this period or further 2 weeks.

**Status of State Surveillance of COVID-19 at a glance**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>New added on 31.03.2020</b>	<b>Cumulative till 31.03.2020</b>
1.	Persons enlisted for observation	103419	150720
2.	Persons kept under home surveillance	103391	150482**
3.	Persons kept under hospital isolation	87	797 (presently in hospital isolation- 238)
4.	No. of suspects from whom samples collected for test of COVID-19	24	543
5.	No. of person whose reports received	52	539
6.	No. of person tested positive	5 <sup>#</sup>	27
7.	No. of confirmed cases cured	3	3
8.	No. of person expired	1 <sup>##</sup>	3

**\*\*** Two thousand seven hundred five (2705) persons have completed the surveillance period. Hence 147,777 persons are under home surveillance as on date.

**#** One female and four males, admitted in five different facilities have tested positive. One of them had contact with suspect cases. Rest were tested as cases of Severe Acute Respiratory illness.

**##** One female of 48 years, a case of Severe Acute Respiratory Illness who tested positive for Covid-19, have expired in a Govt. hospital on 30.03.2020.

**Director of Health Services**

**CORRIGENDUM TO BULLETIN DATED 31.03.20**

The Table captioned "**Status of State Surveillance at a glance**" shall be read as follows.

1.	Persons enlisted for observation	10341	57642
2.	Persons kept under home surveillance	10313	57404

\*\* Two thousand seven hundred five (2705) persons have completed the surveillance period. Hence, 54699 persons are under home surveillance as on date.

**Directorate of Health Service**

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