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WHO has declared the recent Novel Corona Virus (2019-nCoV) epidemic affecting 23 countries as International Public Health Emergency of International Concern. In this context, Kerala state has strengthened the surveillance and control measures against the disease. Till date, **1793** travellers from corona affected countries have been identified and placed under surveillance, out of which **1723** are under home isolation and **70** are admitted in selected isolation facilities. Till date **39** samples have been sent to National Institute of Virology (NIV) Pune for testing out of which results of **23** samples came as negative. The health status of the student who was tested positive for Corona Virus remain satisfactory. The hospital authorities have confirmed that the health condition of all symptomatic persons under isolation in hospitals are stable. A 24x7 control room has been set up in the State and all District Head Quarters. A minimum of two hospitals with isolation facilities have been identified in each district. It has been informed that sample testing for nCoV at NIV, Alappuzha Unit will be functional from 02/02/2020 onwards.

In the background of the present nCorona Virus outbreak, the general public is advised to adhere to health advisories issued by the State Government. Public should follow the cough etiquette by covering the nose and mouth using handkerchief/towel while sneezing/coughing. Do frequent handwashing with soap and water. Those who have arrived from the corona affected countries should remain under strict home isolation for 28 days from the date of arrival in India, irrespective of whether they are symptomatic or asymptomatic.

District	Cumulative number of Passengers from china under observation as on today	Cumulative number of asymptomatic Passengers under home isolation as on today	Cumulative no of symptomatic passengers hospitalised as on today	No of symptomatic passengers hospitalised today
Thiruvananthapuram	126	119	7	1
Kollam	156	147	9	3
Pathanamthitta	64	63	1	1
Idukki	24	24	0	0
Kottayam	62	62	0	0
Alappuzha	120	112	8	2
Ernakulam	238	229	9	1
Thrissur	154	134	20	6
Palakkad	99	96	3	2
Malappuram	265	259	6	1
Kozhikode	268	262	6	3
Wayanad	28	28	0	0
Kannur	121	120	1	1
Kasaragod	68	68	0	0
Total	1793	1723	70	21

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