



**COVID-19 OUTBREAK CONTROL AND PREVENTION STATE CELL
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Kerala Epidemic Diseases, COVID-19 Regulations, 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 2, 3 & 4 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 (Central Act 3 of 1897), the Government of Kerala has issued regulations as Kerala Epidemic Diseases, COVID-19 Regulations, 2020. for the strict compliance, for the containment management and control of COVID-19 21-3-2020 as part of endeavor to eliminate COVID-19 from the State.

Advisories

Any person with travel history to COVID19 affected countries or person with contact with such a traveler, whether they are having symptoms or not, must remain in home isolation. Do frequent hand washing with soap and water. Avoid social greetings by touching, like hugs or handshake. Don't touch your face, nose and eyes. Use handkerchief while coughing/ sneezing. Use masks, only if you are taking a care of a person with suspected COVID-19 infection, or if you have symptoms. Healthy persons are not supposed to wear medical masks. Those who are wearing masks should know how to use and dispose it properly. N95 masks should not be worn by the public.

- The guidelines for beauty parlors and saloons and Guidelines for employees in shopping centres and malls dated 20/03/2020 have been published in the website of DHS
- Training and IEC videos prepared by the department are available on The “Kerala Health Online Training” YouTube channel of the Directorate of Health Services (<https://www.youtube.com/c/keralahealthonlinetraining>).

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WHO has declared the COVID-19 epidemic affecting 189 countries as a Pandemic. Considering the increase in number of cases, COVID 19 has been re-notified as a state specific disaster on 20.03.2020. Kerala state has strengthened the surveillance and control measures against the disease in view of the same.

Home/Hospital Isolation

- 72460 persons are placed under surveillance, out of which 71994 are under home isolation and 466 are admitted in designated isolation facilities.

Sample Testing

- Till date 4516 samples of suspect cases have been sent for testing out of which 3331 came as negative.

Test Results

- Total confirmed cases till yesterday was 95 of which 91 were under treatment.
- 14 new cases have been declared positive. Out of this, 2 persons are from Kozhikode, 6 from Kasaragod and 1 person each from Thiruvananthapuram, Alappuzha, Kottayam, Ernakulam, Palakkad and Malappuram district.

Complimentary Activities

- Covid Care Centres have been established in all districts with a view to accommodate people who have been advised home isolation but have no residence in Kerala (e.g.: Tourists, people in transit etc).
- For providing psychosocial support to the families of suspected persons 375 persons have been deployed across the state. 35312 tele counselling services were provided till date.
- Home isolation ensured with the help of squads at LSG level including health staff, police and volunteers.
- Adequate infrastructure facilities have been ensured at all designated isolation facilities.

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- Human resource management teams have been constituted at the state and district levels. Adequate HR has been ensured for isolation, airport surveillance, transport, isolation services, contact tracing and call centre
- The Department of Health and Family welfare calls out for participation of the health practitioners to join hands with the state in the fight against COVID-19. You may enroll using the link provided below for offering voluntary service at the Isolation facilities in hospitals/ homes, patient management in wards, screening at airports, seaports, railway stations and bus stations. Interested health practitioners may fill up the details in this form and submit. The Department of health and family welfare, Kerala shall contact you soon.

Join us at <https://forms.gle/3FtcS7ovp1YGG9539>

Annexure -1: Details of persons under Surveillance

District	No. of Persons under observation as on today	No. of persons under home isolation as on today	No. of symptomatic persons hospitalized as on today	No. of persons hospitalized today
Thiruvananthapuram	5919	5829	90	43
Kollam	1137	1131	6	5
Pathanamthitta	4524	4504	20	7
Idukki	1123	1118	5	2
Kottayam	2411	2405	6	0
Alappuzha	5509	5490	19	8
Ernakulam	4380	4347	33	4
Thrissur	10908	10879	29	8
Palakkad	5514	5478	36	11
Malappuram	9898	9869	29	18
Kozhikode	9709	9674	35	19
Wayanad	1499	1496	3	0
Kannur	7193	7123	70	15
Kasaragod	2736	2651	85	24
Total	72460	71994	466	164

Annexure -2: Chronology of Positive cases

Date	No. of patients	District	Present Status	Remarks
	3	Thrissur Alappuzha Kasargod	Negative	Discharged
9.03.2020	5	Pathanamthitta	Positive	Under treatment
9.03.2020	1	Ernakulam	Positive	Under treatment
10.03.2020	8	Pathanamthitta - 4 Kottayam - 2 Ernakulam -2	Positive	Under treatment
12.03.2020	2	Kannur -1 Thrissur -1	Negative Positive	Discharged Under Treatment
13.03.2020	3	Thiruvananthapuram -3	Positive	Under treatment
15.03.2020	2	Thiruvananthapuram -1 Idukki-1	Positive	Under treatment
16.03.2020	3	Malappuram -2, Kasaragod-1	Positive	Under treatment
19.03.2020	1	Kasaragod-1	Positive	Under treatment
20.03.2020	12	Ernakulam-6 Kasaragod-6	Positive	Under treatment
21.03.2020	12	Ernakulam-3 Kannur -3 Kasaragod-6	Positive	Under treatment
22.03.2020	15	Ernakulam-2 Malappuram-2 Kozhikode-2 Kannur -4 Kasaragod-5	Positive	Under treatment

Date	No. of patients	District	Present Status	Remarks
23.03.2020	28	Pathanamthitta-1 Thrissur-1 Ernakulam-2 Kannur -5 Kasaragod-19	Positive	Under treatment
24.03.2020	14	Thiruvananthapuram-1 Alappuzha-1 Kottayam-1 Ernakulam-1 Palakkad-1 Malappuram-1 Kozhikode-2 Kasaragod-6	Positive	Under treatment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 109 persons have been tested positive till date • 105 persons are currently under treatment 				

District wise distribution based on hospital admission

District	No. of positive cases admitted
Thiruvananthapuram	5
Pathanamthitta	8
Alappuzha	1
Kottayam	5
Ernakulam	17
Thrissur	2
Palakkad	1
Malappuram	5
Kozhikode	5
Kannur	15
Kasaragod	41
Total	105

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