



GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE SERVICES, BENGALURU



NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

MEDIA BULLETIN

DATED: 17/03/2020

Situation till: 4:00 PM today

World Health Organization has declared the recent Novel Coronavirus, COVID-19 as **Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)** which has affected **152 countries/territories** including India till date. WHO has characterized COVID-19 as a **Pandemic** on 11th March 2020.

In this context, Karnataka state has strengthened all surveillance and containment measures against the possible spread of disease.

“Till date Eleven COVID-19 positive cases have been reported in Karnataka state including one death”

Ten COVID-19 positive patients are in isolation at designated hospitals and are stable. Four

New Positive confirmed cases have been reported in last 24 hours

- **Patient 8:** 32 year male patient from Bangalore (Software Engineer) has tested positive for COVID-19 yesterday. He had returned from US via London on 8th March 2020. He was on home quarantine as a flight contact of patient 4. He is now admitted in isolation facility and stable. 50 primary contacts have been traced; all are asymptomatic and are under strict home quarantine
- **Patient 9:** 63 year old male patient, family doctor who was treating patient 6 (Kalaburgi Death patient) at his residence. He was under strict home quarantine as a primary contact of patient 6. He is now admitted in isolation facility in Kalaburgi and stable. 50 primary contacts have been traced including 7 family members. All are asymptomatic and are under strict home quarantine
- **Patient 10:** 20 year old female who is resident of Bangalore returned from U.K on 14th March 2020 has tested positive for COVID-19. She is now admitted in designated isolation facility and stable. 5 primary contacts have been identified and are under strict home quarantine
- **Patient 11:** 67 year old female who is resident of Bangalore returned from Dubai via Goa on 9th March. She is a known case of chronic kidney disease (CKD). She has been in strict home quarantine since coming to Bangalore. On 16/03/20, she has been admitted in designated isolation hospital. 21 high risk contacts have been identified including 5 family members and are under strict home quarantine.
- Contact tracing of secondary contacts in under progress for all the cases.

Universal Screening of all International Passengers continues; Summary as below:

Till date **1,17,306 passengers** have been screened in Karnataka. The details of points of entry are as follows:

1. KIA Airport Bengaluru –82,276 passengers cumulative (2,145 Screened yesterday)
2. Mangalore International airport–29,477 passengers cumulative. (408 Screened yesterday)
3. Also, 5,553 passengers have been screened at Mangalore and Karwar seaports.

ABSTRACT		Date:17.03.2020	
	ACTIVITIES	Today	CUMULATIVE
A	Persons Enrolled For Observation	351	2572
B	Persons who have completed 28 days observation period	113	477
C	Persons in Home Quarantine	319	2146
D	Persons In Isolation At Health Facilities	32	58
E	Persons who left the Country (Chinese nationals - returned back to China on 30 th Jan 2020)	0	4
F	Total samples collected for Testing	48	943
G	Total samples reported as negative	71	766
H	Total Samples Positive for COVID-19	1	11

Details of persons isolated at selected isolation facilities:

Details of Isolated persons in the Designated Hospitals				
	Name of the District	Today's New Admissions	Today Discharged	Total Isolated
A	Bengaluru (RGICD)	4	0	10
B	Bengaluru (Identified Hospitals)	10	1	13
C	Hassan	0	2	0
D	Dakshina Kannada	7	5	9
E	Ballari	1	0	1
F	Chikkamagaluru	1	0	2
G	Kalaburagi	0	0	9
H	Kodagu	2	0	3
I	Udupi	1	1	1
J	Bidar	1	0	3
K	Gadag	1	0	1
L	Uttara Kannada	4	0	6
Total		32	9	58

104 Arogya Sahayavani (Toll Free Health-Helpline Call centre)

40 lines have been reserved for receiving calls of COVID-19. Till date, 27,874 **calls** have been received for whom necessary guidance has been provided (2,148 calls received yesterday). 10 lines have been reserved for out-going calls where the employees of IT/BT and other companies who have returned from COVID-19 countries are being contacted regarding their health status.

TODAY'S UPDATES:

1. Hon'ble Chief Minister – Government of Karnataka held a video conference yesterday with all district DC's, CEOs, SPs and district health officials to review preparedness of districts. Meeting was also attended by Deputy Chief Minister, Home Minister, Medical Education Minister and senior officers from all relevant departments at state along with Commissioner-BBMP
2. A meeting was held today under chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary-HFW with Airport health authority of KIAL-Bengaluru, Revenue and Police departments to review quarantine activities as per guidelines from Government of India

Appeal to Public: Any person who has returned from COVID-19 affected countries or has been in personal contact with such person must remain in home isolation for 14 days from arrival in India irrespective of having any symptoms or not. Also, should self-notify to nearest government hospital or call 104 health helpline. Maintain personal hygiene, use tissue paper/handkerchief while coughing or sneezing, frequently wash hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer and avoid attending mass social gatherings.

Help us to Help you. Let us fight COVID-19 together

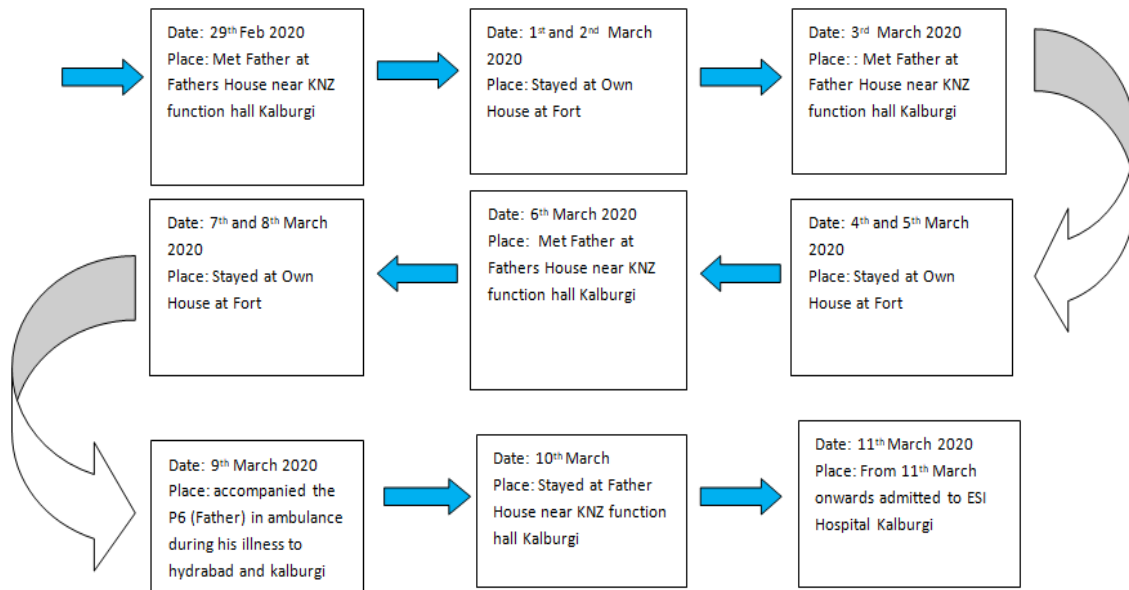
Stay Home, be safe

All the Guidelines and Advisories are available at State Health and Family welfare department

Website: <https://karunadu.karnataka.gov.in/hfw/kannada/Pages/nCov-iec.aspx>

Patient Flow Chart –COVID 19 Karnataka

Patient code:P7



Patient Flow Chart –COVID 19 Karnataka

Patient code:P8

