COVID SITUATIONAL UPDATE BY COUNTRY

AS AT 18 April 2021

For Singapore Residents and Long-term Pass Holders

Singapore's borders are now reopening gradually to allow safe travel in limited numbers, with the necessary safeguards in place to ensure public health considerations are addressed.

You may visit these websites for more COVID-19 related information in Singapore:

•<u>MOH Website</u> for updates on the COVID-19 local situation and the relevant advisories; and

•<u>MCI COVID-19 Info Bot</u> for summarised information from various government agencies.

Short-term visitors are not allowed entry into Singapore, except those coming in under the Green/Fast Lane arrangements, the Air Travel Pass or with special prior approval.

All approved travellers must abide by the requirements on COVID-19 prevention and control and prevailing public health regulations of the receiving country. More information on the various entry requirements for various countries can be found <u>here</u>.

•All Singaporeans and residents of Singapore are advised to defer all travel abroad. However, essential business and official travel will be permitted under Green/ Fast Lane arrangements

•Check the <u>MFA website</u> for the latest travel advisories to other countries/regions

•Check with the immigration authority or embassy of the destination country/region on the relevant health requirements imposed on travellers from Singapore, such as Pre-Departure Tests to be taken

SINGAPORE BORDER CONTROL MEASURES



Confirmed cases 60,854 Recovered 60,507 Deaths 30

As of 18 April

850K (14.9%) of population has been fully vaccinated.

Daily change



SOUTH EAST ASIA

COVID SITUATION UPDATE AND TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

as of 18 April 2021

Malaysia Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 377,195 Recovered cases 355,427 Deaths 1,386

443K (1.4%) of population fully vaccinated so far.

- The second phase of Malaysia's national vaccination exercise which will prioritise the elderly, those with morbidity problems and people with disabilities will start on Apr 19.
- Daily Covid cases remain around 1,200 cases over the seven-day average.

Daily change



Indonesia Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 1.60 million

Recovered 1.46 million

Deaths 43,520

6.05M (2.2%) of population fully vaccinated so far.

- Members of the public should take note that a temporary ban on the entry and transit by all foreign nationals is currently in force in Indonesia.
- Indonesia announced an internal travel ban during next month's Eid al-Fitr celebrations, in an effort to prevent large-scale transmission of the coronavirus, a transport official said.
- The halt on sea, land, air and rail travel for the May 6 to May 17 holiday adds to a <u>ban announced</u> <u>last month</u> by Indonesia on the mass exodus tradition, where vast numbers of people head en masse to their home provinces.

Daily change



Philippines Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 946,081 Recovered 851,552 Deaths 16,110 192K (0.2%) people have been fully vaccinated so far.

- The Philippine government has suspended the entry of all foreign nationals through April 21, 2021. In addition, the number of inbound international passengers has been limited to 1,500 per day.
- Metro Manila, Cavite, Bulacan, Laguna, and Rizal remain under <u>curfew</u> from 6:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Further, only individuals aged 18-65 years old are allowed to go outside their residences between 5:00 a.m. and 6 p.m. in Metro Manila.

Daily change



Timor Leste Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 1,376

Recovered 686

Deaths 2

Covid Vaccination program was kicked off on 7 April.

- The first batch of COVID-19 vaccines arrived in Timor-Leste on April 5, bringing a renewed sense of hope to the tiny Indo-Pacific nation simultaneously enduring devastating floods and a capital city in strict coronavirus lockdown.
- No flights to Timor from Singapore are available.

Daily change



INDOCHINA

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Thailand Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 44,119

Recovered 26,873

Deaths 103

94,385 (0.1%) of population have been fully vaccinated so far.

- Travelers from <u>56 countries</u> can now enter Thailand under the Visa Exemption Scheme. However, these travelers still need to comply with Thailand's 14-day mandatory quarantine and show proof of a negative PCR test.
- The current area-based control measures have allowed most part of the economy to continue to operate as usual. However, looser restrictions mean that it could take longer before the country can virtually eliminate local infections, like it did with a nationwide lockdown last year.
- Some restrictions may still remain in place as the country starts its vaccine roll-out to reach its target of covering 50 per cent of the population by the end of this year.

Daily change



Vietnam Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 2,789

Recovered 2,475

Death 35

80, 857 covid vaccine doses have been administered so far

- From March 22 until further notice, Vietnam will temporarily suspend entry for all foreign nationals. Vietnam will not be issuing visas or allowing entry to any travellers at this time, including those who already hold visas or visa exemptions.
- Vietnam may grant entry visas to foreigners with diplomatic and official passports; and certain investors, business managers, experts and highskilled workers, on a case-by-case basis.
- All travellers entering Vietnam need to submit mandatory health declarations on arrival.
- Passengers are subject to medical screening and quarantine for 14 days at centralised facilities.

Daily change



Nepal Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 286,015 Recovered 275,262 Deaths 3,091 1.7m covid vaccine doses have been administered so far

- The government of Nepal loosened the lockdown in the Kathmandu Valley However, it has authorized local authorities to impose lockdowns within their jurisdictions.
- International flights have now resumed. All tourists must first apply for a visa from a Nepalese embassy/mission or consulate in their home countries before travelling.
- Negative results from a PCR test obtained within 72 hours prior to departure from the country of origin are required for entry.
- All tourists must have travel insurance that includes \$5000 worth of coverage for COVID-19.
- Self-quarantine for 14 days required for all countries.
- Land borders remain closed to foreigners.

Daily change

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Myanmar Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 143,011

Recovered 132,047

Deaths 3,206

40K (<0.1%) of population have been fully vaccinated so far.

- Testing for coronavirus has collapsed in Myanmar after a military coup prompted a campaign of civil disobedience led by doctors and mass protests swept the country, official testing figures showed.
- The entry ban for most foreigners is in effect
- International commercial passenger flights remain suspended, though relief and cargo flights can continue operating.

Daily change

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Cambodia Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 7,007

Recovered 2,536

Deaths 47

381K people (2.3%) of population have been fully vaccinated so far.

- Health officials in Cambodia are maintaining international travel controls aimed at preventing the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) activity, while easing domestic businesses restrictions.
- All foreigners arriving in Cambodia will now be subject to a COVID-19 test on arrival (as well as requiring a COVID negative test before flying). They will need to remain at a hotel or government facility until the results are known, which may include an overnight stay.
- The sudden spike of the number of COVID-19 cases has sent shock waves around the capital where a 8 pm to 5 am Curfew has been in place since 1 April. Now people fear more severe measures may come into play or be imposed by the government.

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SOUTH ASIA

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India Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 15.4 million

Recovered 13.1 million

Deaths 180,619

17.5m (1.3%) of population fully vaccinated so far.

- India's daily infections have risen many fold since hitting a multi-month low in early February, when authorities eased most restrictions and people largely stopped wearing masks and social distancing.
- India has recorded the most number of infections in the past week anywhere in the world. More infectious variants of the virus may have played a role in the second surge, some epidemiologists say.
- The Delhi government also announced a night curfew in the capital which is home to 25 million people, until Apr 30.

Daily change



Sri Lanka Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 97,238

Recovered 93,394

Deaths 621

925K covid vaccine doses have been administered so far

- Sri Lanka reopened its borders allowing tourists to travel the country in "bio bubbles," or roving semi-isolated groups that let travelers sightsee without mixing with the local population.
- The rules apply for the first two weeks of their stay during which time they must stay in approved hotels
- Under the health guidelines, visitors <u>need not</u> serve a mandatory quarantine on arrival, but they must obtain a visa online, and a mandatory Covid-19 insurance cover costing US\$12, which covers US\$50,000 worth of hospital or medical bills for a month.
- All visitors must also present a valid PCR test taken 96 hours before arrival.

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EAST ASIA

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Mongolia Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 23,773

Recovered 12,925

Deaths 54

634K covid vaccine doses have been administered so far

- In Mongolia, the curfew in the capital has been lifted.
 Citizens, businesses and organizations have returned to normal work and life.
- Mongolia had banned the entry of all foreign nationals, though foreign nationals with long-stay visas or residency may be allowed to return; the suspension of all international air and rail routes until at least 31 March 2021.
- Passengers are subject to quarantine for 21 days at designated facilities. They are also subject to self-isolation for an additional 14 days.

Daily change



Japan Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 539,111

Recovered 483,415

Deaths 9,627

773K (0.6%) of population fully vaccinated so far.

- Japan ended the Covid-19 state of emergency midnight on Sunday, 21 March, in the Tokyo metropolitan region, the last remaining area of the country that had been under the measure since early January.
- Overseas fans will be barred from this year's pandemicpostponed Tokyo Olympics because of ongoing coronavirus concerns, organisers announced. The Games are scheduled for Jul 23 to Aug 8, and the Paralympics from Aug 24 to Sep 5.
- Travelers from Singapore must have been tested for Covid 19, 72 hours before departure and have a medical certificate to prove negative test result.
- All inbound travelers must serve 14 days quarantine

Daily change

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Mainland China Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 90,499

Recovered 85,549

Deaths 4,636.

195 M Covid vaccine doses have been administered so far

- From 6 November 2020, Singapore has lifted our border restrictions for visitors from Mainland China.
- Singaporeans and residents of Singapore may travel to Mainland China, although travellers are still advised to check the entry requirements imposed by China and take the necessary precautionary measures.
- From 1 December 2020, travellers from Singapore to China must apply for a green health declaration code with the "HDC" mark from the PRC Embassy. They may do so by declaring their health condition and submitting the nucleic acid and IgM antibody test certificates, together with the biodata page of their passports, via the web-based Health Declaration Certificate system.

Daily New Cases in China

Daily New Cases

Cases per Day Data as of 0:00 GMT+0



Taiwan Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 1,074

Recovered 1,033

Deaths 12

32,450 Covid Vaccination doses have been administered so far.

- Singapore and Taiwan are in talks about a possible travel bubble, Taiwan's Health Minister Chen Shih-chung reportedly said on Thursday (Mar 18).
- Upon entering Taiwan, all foreign nationals must present an Englishlanguage certificate of a negative COVID-19 test taken within three days of boarding the flight to Taiwan.
- Taiwan unilaterally reduced the quarantine period for essential business travellers from Singapore to just five days.
- After entry: all non-essential business must undergo a 14-day self-quarantine period.

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Hong Kong Covid situation update as of 18 Apr 2021

Confirmed cases 11,713 Recovered 11,282 Deaths 209

382K (5.1%) of total population have been fully vaccinated so far.

- To reduce the chance of crossinfection between guests undergoing quarantine and other local guests, all persons arriving at Hong Kong (either via the airport or land boundary control points) will have to undergo compulsory quarantine for 21 days in designated quarantine hotels.
- Those arriving Hong Kong will be required to proceed for COVID-19 testing immediately upon arrival.
- All inbound travellers are required to submit a health declaration form.

Daily change



Summary as of 18 April 2021

Based on the current spread of Covid 19 in the various regions, we have made the following observations:

- 1. In SEA, except for the spread flattening in Singapore, infections in Malaysia, Philippines and Timor Leste are on the rise. In Indonesia cases are on a downward trend although case numbers are still very high with the daily average exceeding 5000 cases for the past week.
- 2. In Indochina, the spread has been on a slight upward trend in Vietnam and Nepal and plateauing in Myanmar, while in Thailand and Cambodia cases continue to spike. However, with the protests in Myanmar, the figures may be inaccurate.
- 2. In South Asia, the spread has seen a sudden spike in India seeing a daily high of more than 273 thousand cases on 18 April, and a daily average of about 219 thousand last week. India is now the second highest covid infected country in the world. In Sri Lanka, the number of cases have begun to decrease, although still being in the range of 230 cases daily for the past week.
- 4. In East Asia, the spread in Japan is seeing a second spike with an average of over to 4000 cases daily over the past week. Mongolia cases have begun to climb again with an average of more than 1000 cases daily for the past week. Cases remain low in Taiwan and Hong Kong, while in China the numbers are flattening out.
- 5. With covid vaccinations having started in many Asian countries, it is hoped that numbers will begin to be controlled. However, reports in only some countries indicate the percentage of population that has been fully vaccinated. As some vaccinations require two doses, the number of doses administered do not indicate the number of people who have received the full vaccination.