



The Coronavirus Disease 2019 News release

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Regarding today's COVID-19 situation in Thailand, 22 cases recovered and were discharged (a total of 2,687 cases have recovered or 90.96% of the total number of the confirmed cases) and 213 were being treated in hospitals (7.21% of the total number of confirmed cases).

Currently, the number of new cases are gradually decreasing. Today, seven new COVID-19 cases (the 2,948th - 2,954th cases) were confirmed. Of those seven cases, four cases were found from active case finding (3 cases in Phuket and 1 case in Krabi). Two of the cases were those who returned from Malaysia and were under state quarantine (under observation in the quarantine area of Bangkok). There were no reports of deaths.

From the report of the new confirmed cases today, most of them were identified through active case finding measures in communities or areas where groups of patients have been found in Phuket and Krabi provinces. The active case finding measures have found asymptomatic cases or those with mild symptoms. These measures allow them to receive early treatment. The Ministry of Public Health will focus on targeted case finding rather than wide examination for a more effective strategy to prevent the outbreak and reduce the chance of widespread disease spread in high-risk areas.

From disease control surveillance, the MOPH is still recommending to reduce at-risk activities of becoming infected such as avoiding crowded places and avoiding mass gatherings. Thus, staying at home is an important measure which people must do, along with going out only when necessary, wearing a face mask whenever leaving the house, and washing hands frequently with soap and water or alcohol gel.

In summary, today there were 7 new cases, 22 cases who returned home, a total of 2,687 recovered cases, 213 being treated at hospitals, and there have been 54 fatal cases. The total number of confirmed cases is 2,954.

Overall, most of the confirmed cases are in Bangkok and Nonthaburi followed by the Southern, Central, North Eastern and Northern regions respectively. The female to male gender ratio of confirmed cases is 1.16 :1. Most cases are found in the 20-29 years old, the lowest age is one month and the highest age is 97 years old.