

# COVID-19

## PHF- Situation Report

22 March 2021

### Global Updates

#### Top 10 countries with most confirmed COVID-19 cases

	Confirmed Cases	Deaths	Recovered Cases
United States	29,818,567	542,359	(Data not Available)
Brazil	11,998,233	294,042	10,509,457
India	11,646,081	159,967	11,151,468
Russia	4,407,031	93,457	4,023,460
UK	4,310,195	126,393	12,176
France	4,277,786	92,119	286,442
Italy	3,376,376	104,942	2,699,762
Spain	3,183,704	72,910	150,376
Turkey	3,013,122	30,061	2,825,187
Germany	2,670,001	74,756	2,426,700

• COVID-19 Dashboard by the Center for Systems Science and Engineering (CSSE) at John Hopkins University

Confirmed Cases\*  
**123,215,294**

Deaths  
**2,715,456**

Recovered Cases  
**69,806,205**

- Scientists are exploring several possibilities that might explain at least 18 reports of extremely rare blood clots in the brain that occurred in individuals in the days and weeks after receiving the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine
- According to a new survey unveiled by British pollsters YouGov, trust in AstraZeneca's Coronavirus vaccine in many European countries has plunged following controversy around the jab in recent weeks.
- Thailand has started human trials of a domestically developed Coronavirus vaccine by state drug maker, the Government Pharmaceutical Organisation (GPO), with Mahidol University's Tropical Medicine Department and an American non-profit and expects to deploy it next year, which its health minister said could give the country more freedom with its vaccine policy.

# National Updates

- The National Command and Operations Centre (NCOC) decided to increase restrictions of activities contributing to sharp increase in COVID-19 positivity. The provincial & Islamabad administration were also directed to tighten implementation of SOP's and crackdown on violations which are taking place.
- Representatives of the Pakistan Medical Association (PMA) urged the government to implement a full, nationwide lockdown to curb the spread of the novel Coronavirus in the ongoing third wave of the pandemic.
- The Civil Aviation Authority imposed a complete ban from 23 March to 5 April on incoming travel from 12 countries—Botswana, Brazil, Columbia, Comoros, Ghana, Kenya, Mozambique, Peru, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania and Zambia—in a bid to curb the spread of mutated strains of the novel Coronavirus.
- Pakistan will begin receiving shipments of China's CanSino Biologics COVID-19 vaccine this week for commercial sale. An AJ Pharma spokesperson said the first 10,000 doses are expected to arrive in the country on 25 March, 100,000 next month, and 200,000 the month after. Pakistan has already received a batch of the Russian Sputnik V vaccine for commercial sale.
- The Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan (Drac) has notified a formula for maximum retail prices of COVID-19 vaccine. According to the notification, signed by Legal Affairs Assistant Director, two formulas have been approved for sale of vaccine with 40% mark-up for companies and additional 15% for retailers/hospitals.
- The NCOC said vaccination centres for Pakistan's ongoing COVID-19 inoculation campaign will remain closed on Sundays and public holidays such as March 23.
- The NCOC said the rate of positivity of COVID-19 infections has reached 8.43% in Pakistan with a total of 33,070 active cases, of which there are 2,423 patients in critical condition.
- The Islamabad district administration has clarified that outdoor dining in the capital will be closed after 10:00 pm on weekdays and will not be allowed during the weekends.



Confirmed Cases\*

**630,471**



Cases in last 24rs

**3,669**



Recoveries

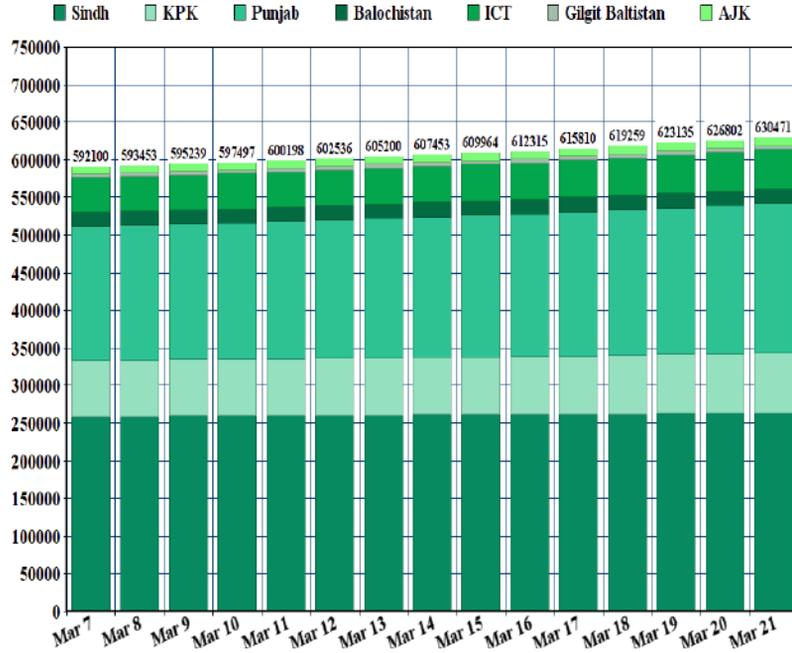
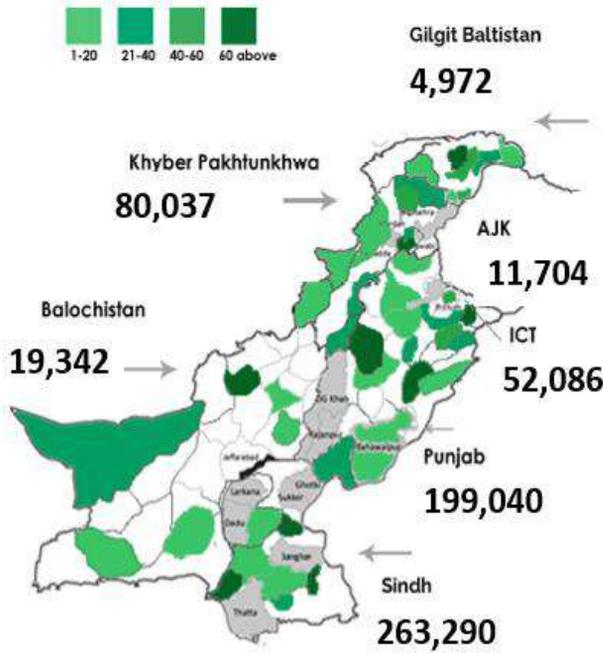
**583,538**



Deaths

**13,863**

# Provincial Stats



Total cases in each province/federal territory as of March 22, 2021

Daily Consolidated COVID-19 Provincial cases



Save the Children responded in several districts of Sindh with distributing food packages among the vulnerable communities



Distribution of Worksheets to students during closure of schools for continued education

## PHF Members Response



Cash Grants

- Islamic Relief provided cash assistance for Food for Child and Women development Sponsored 1,599 orphan families in Punjab.



Food Security

- Oxfam released a report highlighting the deepening of the hunger crisis caused by COVID-19. The social media campaign was launched on 3 July 2020 alongside Oxfam's report, which found that by the end of the year 2020, 12,000 people per day could die from hunger linked to COVID-19.
- Welthungerhilfe conducted food pack distribution with COVID Non-Food Item (NFI) kits and hygiene kits among 10,000 beneficiaries in Punjab.



WASH

- Concern Worldwide supported various districts of KP via provision of 5,000 awareness raising material, 7,900 soaps and 200 panaflexes, cash assistance to 2,350 people, handwashing stations, disinfection and mass awareness campaigns. Concern benefitted approximately 30,000 individuals.



Country Director CARE Pakistan while taking feedback from an elderly beneficiary in KP



Women from the community attend trainings at ACF's Farmer Field School sessions in Jamot Village, Tando Allah Yar, Sindh



Malteser staff conducting awareness sessions to community members in Sindh



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