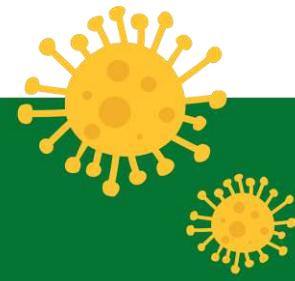




COVID-19

PHF- Situation Report



19 April 2021

Global Updates

Top 10 countries with most confirmed COVID-19 cases

	Confirmed Cases	Deaths	Recovered Cases
United States	31,670,041	567,217	(Data not Available)
India	15,061,805	178,769	12,953,817
Brazil	13,943,071	373,335	12,303,538
France	5,350,521	100,892	327,586
Russia	4,649,044	101,282	4,284,398
UK	4,403,060	127,518	13,987
Turkey	4,268,447	35,926	3,687,590
Italy	3,870,131	116,927	3,248,593
Spain	3,407,283	76,981	150,376
Germany	3,155,522	80,052	2,795,080

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



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 A modified version of AstraZeneca's COVID-19 vaccine tailored to combat a Coronavirus variant first documented in South Africa could be ready by the end of 2021, an AstraZeneca official said.
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 Johnson & Johnson had reached out to rival COVID-19 vaccine makers to join in an effort to study the risks of blood clots, the Wall Street Journal reported. AstraZeneca was interested in joining forces to investigate the safety issue and communicate vaccine benefits and risks, but Pfizer and Moderna didn't see the need for group action
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 Qatar is in talks with Coronavirus vaccine makers to ensure all fans attending the 2022 World Cup in the country have been vaccinated.

National Updates

- Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Mr. Asad Umar said that the need for safety precautions has grown since the compliance with SOPs is low. Hospital are filling up, the number of critical care patients has risen to above 4,500, which is 30% higher than peak in June 2020. Additionally, Oxygen supply capacity in the country is now under stress.
- The Education Minister said that classes 9 to 12 will resume in affected districts of the country in staggered manner.
- The Pakistan Medical Association (PMA) and the Pakistan Islamic Medical Association (Pima) has called on the Government to resume the registrations of healthcare workers' for the vaccination. Pma claims that of the 192 doctors who lost their lives in Pakistan, around 182 were ordinary doctors and healthcare providers who contracted the disease from asymptomatic patients. Out of the 1.2 million healthcare workers serving in the public and private sectors in Pakistan, only 224,000 doctors, nurses and paramedics have so far gotten both doses of the Chinese Sinopharm vaccine.
- National Command and Operation Center (NCOC) said that the vaccination for the citizens between 50-59 years of age will start from Wednesday i.e., 21 April 2021.
- The NCOC said the national rate of positivity of COVID-19 infections has reached 8.56% in Pakistan with a total of 82,276 active cases, of which there are 4,515 patients in critical condition.
- Overall COVID-19 positivity was highest in Azad Jammu & Kashmir (AJK) at 15.26%, followed by Khyber Pakhtunkhwa at 14.15%, Islamabad at 12.78%, Balochistan 9.75%, Punjab at 7.97%, Sindh 4.69%, and Gilgit Baltistan at 1.61%.
- Hong Kong will suspend flights from Pakistan, India, and the Philippines from April 20 for two weeks after the mutated strain of COVID-19 was detected in the Asian countries for the first time.
- Sindh Education Minister said that the education department has decided to suspend in-person classes for grades 1 to 8 in public and private schools across the province till May 1 due to rising cases of the Coronavirus.



Confirmed Cases*

761,437



Cases in last 24rs

5,152



Recoveries

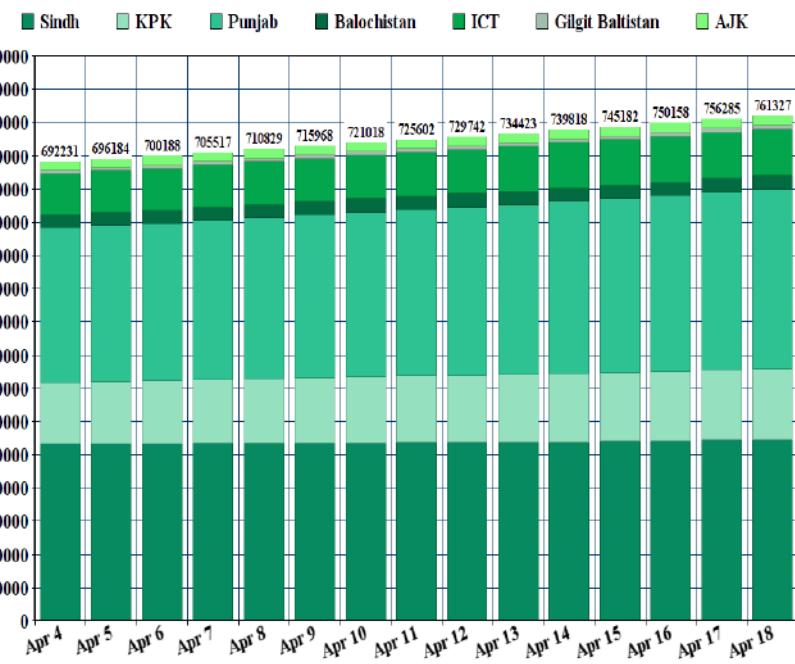
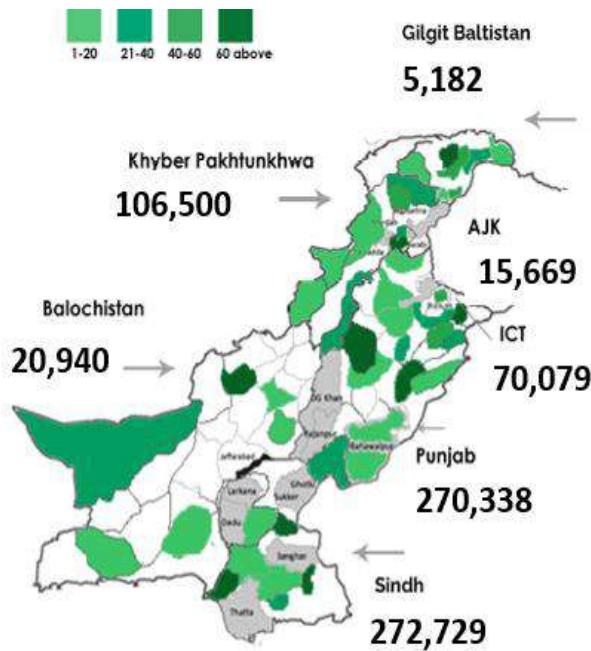
662,845



Deaths

16,316

Provincial Stats



Total cases in each province/federal territory as of April 19, 2021

Daily Consolidated COVID-19 Provincial cases



DKH demonstrating use of PPE kits at capacity building session in Islamabad



Qatar Charity distributed hygiene kits in District Rawalpindi, Punjab

PHF Members Response



- International Medical Corps (IMC) supported 37,823 vulnerable households affected from COVID-19 in different districts of Pakistan via distribution of food packages.
- Malteser International distributed food packages among 3,600 daily wagers' families, following all SOPs, in Sindh.



- Global Alliance for International Network (GAIN) conducted a Rapid Market Assessment by remotely reaching out to 84 businesses in Islamabad, Gilgit-Baltistan, Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Punjab and Sindh to capture the impact of COVID-19 on their businesses. Based on the recommendations of the businesses, specific policy actions were recommended in findings.



- ACTED conducted awareness raising sessions in Sindh, benefitting approximately 400 community members.
- CARE International reached out to approximately 68,800 beneficiaries through COVID-19 awareness messages aired through radio messages for one month.



JEN distributed livestock feed in UC Posarko in Tharparker, Sindh



Mercy Corps conducting one-day session for Lady Healthworkers in Mardan, KP



NCA handed over of Waste Management Facility to Water and Sanitation Company Mardan, KP



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