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Weather

Thundershower likely over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 32°C and 26°C respectively on Friday 17/04/2020.

Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 32.6
 Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 25.2
 Relative Humidity(%) at 0830 IST 072
 Relative Humidity(%) at 1730 IST 090
 Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0507
 Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1731
 Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs)-in mm: 000.8
 Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.0
 Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 2.7 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

Rain Water Harvesting-Need of the Hour

People urged to voluntarily install Rain Water Harvesting System for better water management

Port Blair, Apr 16
 Though A&N Islands receives over 3000 millimetres of rain every year, it faces acute shortage of water during the summer months. The present water problem is on account of the absence of rain from December, 2019 to till date, due to which the storage reservoirs could not get replenished with water to the optimum capacity. Under the circumstances, rain water harvesting becomes the need of the hour and the adoption of rain water harvesting practices by the residents and institutions would go a long way in addressing the shortage of domestic water requirements in the near future. Rainwater Harvesting is a simple, cost-effective and eco-friendly method of conserving water by guiding the rainwater that falls from the rooftop through small diameter pipes to water chambers, which in addition to recharging groundwater, can be used at a later date for domestic purposes during times of need.

Hon'ble Lt. Governor, on various occasions, had stressed the importance and necessity of rain water harvesting systems in these Islands, as a sustainable water conservation and storage measure. Hon'ble Lt. Governor had also issued directions to APWD, PBMC and Rural Development / Panchayat Department to strictly implement the provisions relating to Rain Water Harvesting (RWH) systems
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Contribution received towards Lt Governor's Relief Fund



Port Blair, Apr 16
 More contributions have been received towards Lt. Governor's Relief Fund in the wake of COVID-19 on 16.04.2020. A delegation of members of the Executive Committee of Polytechnic Students and Staff Co-operative Society, operated by the staff and students of DBRAIT, represented by Ms. S. Raji (Secretary), Shri Sanjay Malhotra (Dean, Student Affairs), Ms. Sapna (President, Student Council), Shri Jayaprakash (Secretary, Campus), contributed Rupees Three Lakh Seventy Five Thousand towards LG's Relief Fund.



Similarly, the Pentecostal Mission Society, A&N Islands represented by Pastor. Joy Eapen (Bishop), Bro. Mohan (Asst. Bishop), Bro. Babu (Worker Brother), Dr. Dev Singh (Asst. Prof., ANCOL)
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Decoding India's Covid-19 testing, State by State

By- Saikiran Kannan

Let's check it out, through a magnifying glass, which part of India stands where in the process of Covid-19 testing, individually.

tests conducted (total samples), the number of positives and cases, and the TPM people of a state for coverage.



How is India testing its population for the new coronavirus? Are states/union territories reporting a higher number of positive cases testing more people. According to the latest available figures, India's "Testing Per Million (TPM)" ration stands at around 105.

Methodology

India does not have a central repository to track the testing metrics of all states. The data procured for this analysis as per April 12 have been obtained via manual inspection of daily health bulletins, news reports and open-source platforms.

Testing statistics from Telangana, Ladakh and Puducherry are not available and, therefore, not included in this assessment.

The analysis categorises the states into multiple buckets in terms of their population for the year 2020 (2020 estimates from the UN).

BUCKET 1	BUCKET 2	BUCKET 3
SIKKIM	UTTARAKHAND	WEST BENGAL
NAGALAND	JHARKHAND	ODISHA
MIZORAM	ASSAM	BIHAR
MANIPUR	JAMMU & KASHMIR	ANDHRA PRADESH
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	HARYANA	KARNATAKA
TRIPURA	CHHATTISGARH	MADHYA PRADESH
CHANDIGARH	PUNJAB	TAMILNADU
GOA	DELHI	GUJARAT
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	KERALA	UTTAR PRADESH
HIMACHAL PRADESH		RAJASTHAN
		MAHARASHTRA

Table 1: States classified into buckets based on population

The states are further categorised into four different QUADRANTS -- or the Qs -- within respective BUCKETS; States in Q1 are doing better than Q2, and those in Q2 are better off than Q3 and thereafter.

Analysis

Bucket 1:

Bucket 1 consists of smaller states. Most of the North-East states fall under this bucket. The table below shows testing progress as of April 12.

TABLE 3: BUCKET 1 testing stats

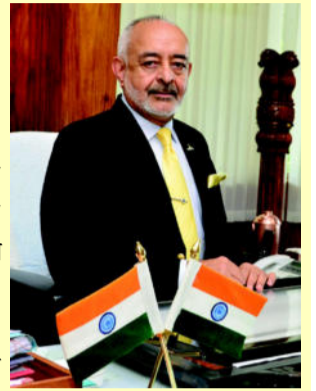
The Andaman and Nicobar Islands reported the best TPM stats. This is owing to its smaller size, which makes it easier to expand testing coverage. That said, Andaman and Nicobar also conducted the second-largest number of tests in this bucket. It has conducted more tests than other states, which are much larger in the bucket.

Table 2: Description of Buckets
 The key metrics to be analysed here are the total

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प्यारे द्वीपवासियों,

आज हमारे लिये एक महत्वपूर्ण दिन है जब द्वीपों में COVID-19 के संक्रमण से ग्रसित सभी 11 Positive cases recovered श्रेणी में आ गये हैं, हालांकि Quarantine Protocols के तहत अभी आने वाले कुछ दिनों तक उनके स्वास्थ्य पर निगरानी जारी रहेगी। इसका पूरा श्रेय हमारे समर्पित स्वास्थ्य कर्मियों को जाता है जिन्होंने दिन - रात स्वयं की सुरक्षा व अपने परिवारों की चिंता किये बिना यह सुनिश्चित किया कि यह positive cases पूरी तरह से recovery प्राप्त कर सकें। हमें आगे और भी अधिक सचेत रहना है क्योंकि पूरे विश्व में संक्रमण का खतरा अभी बढ़ ही रहा है व हमें प्रयासरत रहना है कि कोई भी positive case हमारे द्वीपसमूह में आगे न हो सके।



माननीय प्रधानमंत्री जी ने 14 अप्रैल के अपने संदेश में COVID-19 के विरुद्ध "जान भी जहान भी" के लिये एक-जुटता के साथ प्रयत्न करने का आवाहन किया था। अण्डमान तथा निकोबार प्रशासन COVID-19 के विस्तार पर अंकुश लगाने व प्रत्येक द्वीपवासी के स्वास्थ्य की सुरक्षा हेतु गृह मंत्रालय द्वारा जारी किये गये Lockdown निर्देशों का 03 मई तक पूर्णतया अनुपालन करता रहेगा।

हम माननीय सांसद तथा हर स्तर पर विभिन्न राजनीतिक दलों के elected जन प्रतिनिधियों जैसे पंचायती राज संस्थाओं, PBMC इत्यादि के निरंतर सम्पर्क में है तथा उनका अमूल्य सहयोग व भागीदारी प्रशासन को मिल रही है। जिला स्तर पर भी हम हर जगह पंचायती राज संस्थाओं में विभिन्न दलों के elected प्रतिनिधियों के सहयोग से इस आपदा से मुकाबला कर रहे हैं। इसके साथ ही ACCI, Civil Society/ NGOs, Charitable Institutions, Volunteers आदि भी प्रशासन के साथ मिल-जुल कर अपना सहयोग एवं भागीदारी निभा रहे हैं।

इसके अलावा हम Islands Development Agency के माध्यम से चल रहे Submarine OFC Project जिसका माननीय प्रधानमंत्री जी ने शिलान्यास किया था उसे Central Govt. व BSNL के सहयोग से Contract completion date से पहले ही operationalise कराने के लिये प्रयत्नशील है। इसमें Chennai - Port Blair segment को expedite कराने के प्रयत्न जारी हैं यद्यपि बाकी segments में कुछ समय लग सकता है।

मैं सभी द्वीपवासियों से पुनः आग्रह करना चाहूंगा कि वे धैर्य बनाये रखे एवं व्यक्तिगत hygiene व sanitation का ध्यान रखते हुए Social Distancing व Lockdown से सम्बन्धित समय - समय पर जारी दिशा निर्देशों का गम्भीरतापूर्वक पालन करते रहें ताकि संक्रमण को आगे बढ़ने से रोका जा सके। मुझे विश्वास है कि आपके सहयोग के चलते हम इस समस्या पर विजय प्राप्त करने में अवश्य सफल होंगे।
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पीवीएसएम, एवीएसएम, वाईएसएम, एनएम, वीएसएम (अ.प्रा.)
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 अंडमान तथा निकोबार द्वीपसमूह
 एवं उपाध्यक्ष, द्वीप विकास एजेंसी

Active participation by elected representatives of PBMC in fight against COVID-19

Frontline Field Heroes (Sanitary workers) deployed for sanitation in all Wards

Port Blair, Apr 16
 In order to prevent the outbreak of COVID-19 in Port Blair City, the PBMC has taken the following initiatives with the active participation of Elected Representatives:

❖ Disinfection Service:-

Sanitary workers are frontline workers who are working round the clock with Personal Protection Equipments (PPE) such as mask, hand gloves, hand sanitizers, etc and are deployed for sanitation in their respective Municipal Wards.

It is worth to mention that sanitation services covers all 24 Wards including Quarantine Homes/Hotels/Guest Houses. These Frontline Field Heroes are deployed for sanitization at large footfall areas including quarantine areas such as Bathu basti, Junglighat, Mohanpura, Ratnam Market, Dignabad, Round Basti, Sisty Nagar and Atlanta Point.

PBMC has retrofitted water tanker into Mobile Spraying Machine to disinfect areas at large.

❖ Water crisis:-

PBMC has started Water Distribution through Tankers by transporting water from Hutbay through



Pic shows disinfection process being carried out in the presence of BJP State President, BJP State Vice President, Secretary, PBMC and Councillor Ward No.6. at Phony Chaung area.

M.V.Campbell Bay vessel. It has augmented 300 tonnes of water to the existing distribution System.

Another 350 tonnes of water is being transported from Rutland by M.V.Kalapani Vessel.

Rejuvenating existing wells:-
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DO NOT PAY HEED TO RUMOURS ON CORONA VIRUS: CLARIFY YOUR DOUBTS BY DIALING STATE HELPLINE NO: 03192-232102

Health bulletin for containment of COVID-19

Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

(No. 17/ 16th April 2020)

COVID-19 STATUS AS ON 16.04.2020

> Andaman & Nicobar Islands:			
Total Confirmed cases			11
Cured/Discharged from Hospital			10
Death			00
Admitted at Hospital			01
Migrated out of Country			00
Outside Resident			00
> Status of Hospitals:			
Name of Hospital	Isolation Beds Available	Occupied	Positive Cases Admitted
G B Pant Hospital, Port Blair	50	01	01
* No cases are admitted at Private Hospital.			
* <i>The Health Condition of all +Ve cases are Normal and Stable.</i>			
> Status of Sample Testing:			
Total Samples sent till date			1403
Total Reports received till date			1211
Total Pending Reports			192
> House to house surveillance in three "Hot Spots" i.e. Atlanta Point, Mohanpura Masjid area and Biggiline area are conducted by District Administration with the help of Health Workers. > Intensive awareness is continued through print and electronic media. > 2020 passengers screened at VSI Airport till 24.03.2020 by medical teams. > Calls received at 102 - 199 calls. > 15 lines are activated in State Head Quarter Control Room and District Headquarter Control Room also set up at North & Middle Andaman District and Nicobar District. > 10 COVID-19 patient cured and now under observation. > 471 persons put under Institutional Quarantine as on today which includes passengers as well as contacts.			
SURVEILLANCE DATA			
Contacts put under Home Quarantine till date			344
Contacts under Home Quarantine as on today			344
Contacts completed 14 days period of Home Quarantine			111
Persons under Institutional Quarantine as on today			224 **
Persons completed 14 days period of Institutional Quarantine			247
Passengers completed 14 days period of Quarantine			1812
** The figure contains institutional Quarantine persons from passengers as well as contacts both.			



24x7 CONTROL ROOM NUMBERS: 240126/232102/1077/1070
(Source: Principal Secretary (Health), A&N Administration)

All airlines to refund ticket booked during lockdown

New Delhi, Apr 16
All the airlines will refund the whole amount of a ticket booked during the first phase of lockdown for both domestic and international flights against the request of cancellation of tickets by passengers. The Ministry of Civil Aviation has issued an advisory to Airlines in this regard for



the tickets booked for travel between the two phases of lockdown. The Ministry said that if a passenger has booked a ticket during first

lockdown period from 25th March to 14th April for travel during same period and beyond that upto 3rd May, the airline will refund the full amount collected, without levy of cancellation charge. It said the refund will be made within a period of three weeks from the date of request of cancellation.

Active participation (Contd. from page 1)

■ In ward No. 14, the work of rejuvenating the existing wells was taken up in the presence of Shri N.K. Udhaya Kumar, Chairperson, PBMC and Shri B. Eswar Rao, Councillor, Ward No. 14. The above process will start in all the 24 wards.
❖ **Empowering Self Help Group:-**
■ Self Help Groups is one of the key pillars in National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM). In collaboration with the Andaman Chamber of Commerce, Self Help Groups have



Encouraging COVID-19 Front Line PBMC Sanitary Workers

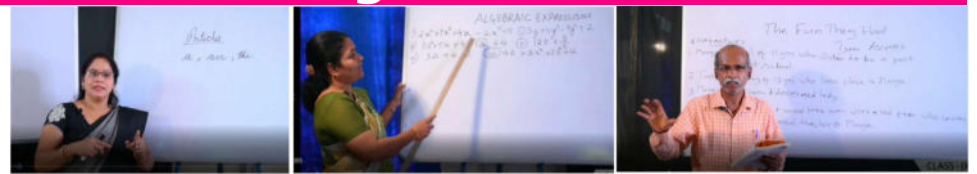
been instrumental in making 5000 nos. of face masks. The PBMC has once again appealed to the general public to maintain social distancing, stay calm and stay at home, a press release issued by the Secretary, PBMC said here today.

**Initiative of Education Department
Students shower praise on virtual classes conducted through cable network**

Staff Reporter, Port Blair, Apr 16

The Directorate of Education has initiated an alternative method to provide learning contents to the students of Class VIII to XII at their home through local Doordarshan channel and cable network in order to facilitate the students with learning activity during the lockdown period.

As part of this initiative, classes for subjects such as English, Social Science, Mathematics and Science for the students of class VIII to IX taken by the teachers of the Education Department was broadcast today (April 16) in South Andaman Urban and Rural areas upto Jirkatang in City Plus - Channel No. - 705 from 10 am to 12 Noon. Speaking to the Reporter, DT, some students who watched the virtual classes stated that the classes were very beneficial for



them as it helped them to understand the respective subjects. The learning contents to the students of Class VIII to XII will continue up to the April 30, 2020 in the above mentioned timings with a repeat telecast from 6 pm to 8 pm (except Sundays). The schedule for the next day's telecast is also being scrolled in the channel during the session for the information of the students and parents as well. Meanwhile, the Doordarshan (Port Blair) channel is scheduled to telecast the learning contents for class X and XII throughout the Islands from April 20, 2020 onwards from 5.15 pm to 6.15 pm on all days (except Saturdays and Sundays).

People urged to...

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while according building construction plan approval.

In Port Blair Municipal area, as per provisions of Port Blair Municipal Council Building Bye-Laws (Amendment), 2018 which came into force from 21/02/2019, all the buildings in plots having more than 100 Sqm. should have rain water harvesting structures for collection of rain water. Recently, APWD has advised all the departments of A & N Administration and Govt of India offices based in A&N Islands, to mandatorily provide /construct Rain Water Harvesting structures for both residential and non-residential buildings, providing for a minimum 30 days storage of water. The Rural Development /Panchayat Department has also notified appropriate Rules, making construction of rain water harvesting structures compulsory in the buildings in rural areas, similar to Port Blair Municipal area.

Rain water harvesting being a sustainable water management practice, needs to be pro-actively adopted by the general public to reduce their over-dependence on municipal and departmental water supply. In view of the immense benefits it provides during times of water scarcity, the general public have been requested to voluntarily install Rain Water Harvesting systems in all individual houses, residential buildings and commercial establishments, which will help in better water management. Interested residents may contact the Office of Secretary (PBMC), Director (Panchayat) and Town Planner, APWD for details / guidance on Rain Water Harvesting systems, an official release from APWD said here today.

Distribution of food to migrant workers by ANC



Port Blair, Apr 16

As part of social outreach and to help the migrant workers who have been stranded at Port Blair, Base Victualling Yard (Port Blair) under the aegis of

HQ Andaman Nicobar Command visited the Migrant Camp setup at the State Senior Secondary School, Bathubasti yesterday. The team, comprising of sailors of

BVY (PBR), distributed lunch, provisions and milk to over 150 migrants and volunteers who have been housed there. In addition, an informal lecture on the merits of social distancing

and precautions required to be taken to prevent the spread of COVID-19 was delivered by the Assistant Base Victualling Officer, a communication from HQANC, Port Blair said.

EPFO settles 3.31 lakh claims in 15 days, disburses over Rs 946 cr

New Delhi, Apr 16

Provident Fund Organization, EPFO has processed three lakh 31 thousand claims disbursing an amount of over 946 crores rupees in just 15 days. The Labour Ministry said, the provision for a special withdrawal from the EPF Scheme to tide over the COVID-19 pandemic, as part of the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana package, has provided timely relief to the working class of the nation. In addition, 284 crore rupees have been distributed by the exempted PF Trusts under this scheme. The Ministry said, under this provision, non-refundable withdrawal to the extent of the basic wages and dearness allowances for three months or up to 75 per cent of the amount standing to member's credit in the EPF account, whichever is less, is admissible. The



member can apply for lesser amount also.

The Ministry said, EPFO is committed to serve its members during this crisis, and through online EPFO offices are functioning to much relief to the needy subscribers during the lockdown period.

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TAPPING INTO AGE-OLD WISDOM OF AYURVEDA DURING COVID-19
Natural Ways to Boost the Immune System

- Take Chyawanprash 10gm (1tsp) In the morning (sugar free Chyawanprash for Diabetics)
- Golden Milk- ½ Tsp turmeric powder in 150 ml hot milk (once or twice a day)
- Drink herbal tea made from Basil, Cinnamon, Black pepper, Dry Ginger & Raisin (once or twice a day)

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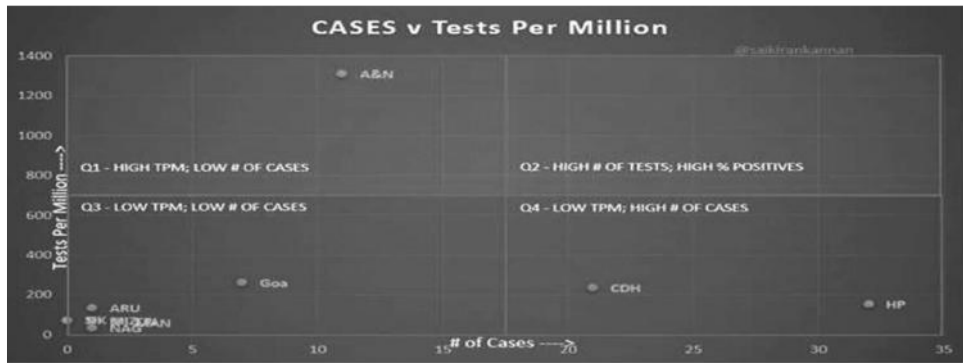


Figure 1: BUCKET 1 quadrant plot

Andaman and Nicobar occupies Q1 owing to its impressive numbers. Chandigarh and Himachal Pradesh in Q4 have some work to do in terms of improving their TPM numbers and lowering the number of cases. Others in Q3 have a very low number of cases. This may or may not be owing to a lack of testing as they have a very low number of TPMs.

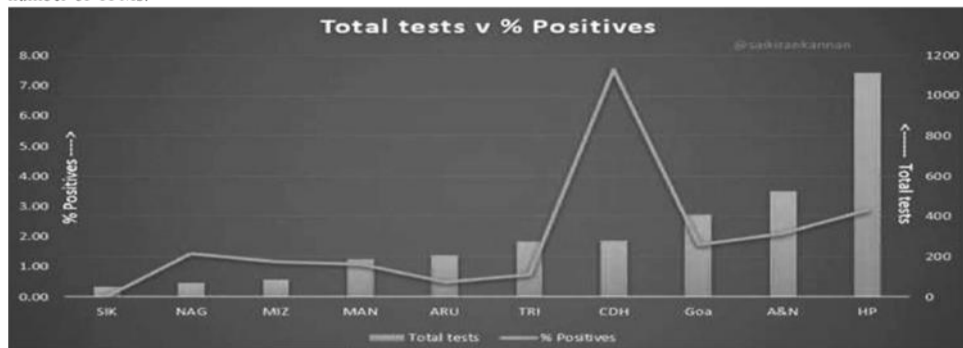


Figure 2: Tests v Positives (BUCKET 1)

Chandigarh has the maximum percentage of positives amongst the tested samples. This is a matter of concern as its TPM is not the biggest in this quadrant.

Bucket 2

Bucket 2 consists of medium-sized states that have a population range of 11 to 37 million.

The best states in this bucket are Kerala and Delhi. More so Kerala, which now looks like the only state in India that has managed to bend the curve and successfully treat a large chunk of positive patients. Delhi is still having a high number of cases on a day-to-day basis.

State	Total tests	% Positives	CASES	STATE POPULATION	Tests Per Million
UK	1705	2.05	35	11238938	152
JHA	2117	0.90	19	37545455	56
AS	3138	0.92	29	34841270	90
J&K	3600	6.81	245	13311558	270
HAR	3903	5.00	195	29190476	134
CHA	3945	0.79	31	29222222	135
PUN	4281	3.97	170	29969072	143
DEL	14036	8.22	1154	20178879	696
KER	14989	2.50	375	35301493	425

STATES HAVING POPULATION BETWEEN 11 TO 37 MILLION

TABLE 4: BUCKET 2 testing stats

States like Jharkhand and Assam have a woeful TPM. It is important that they scale this up. Given how quickly and easily the virus spreads, the states must ensure that more testing is carried out in the coming days.

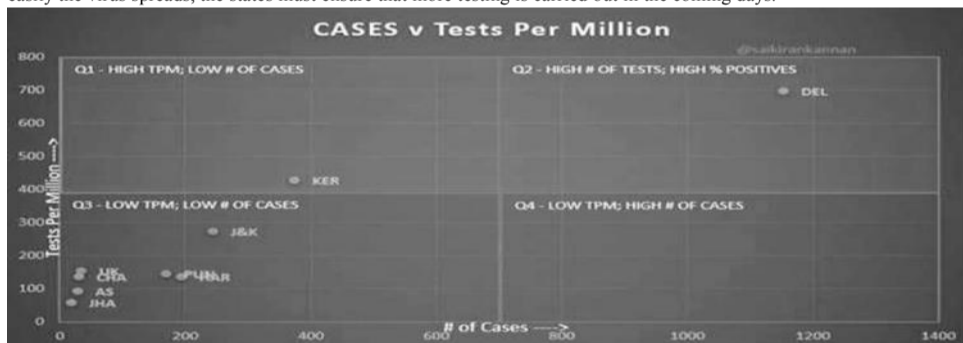


Figure 3: BUCKET 2 quadrant plot

Delhi's situation is also aided by a large number of private testing centres. They amount to a good chunk of their overall testing numbers.

The Nizamuddin cluster, of course, contributed to most of Delhi's cases.

In brief, Kerala is in the ideal quadrant of high TPM and low cases compared to others in Bucket 2.

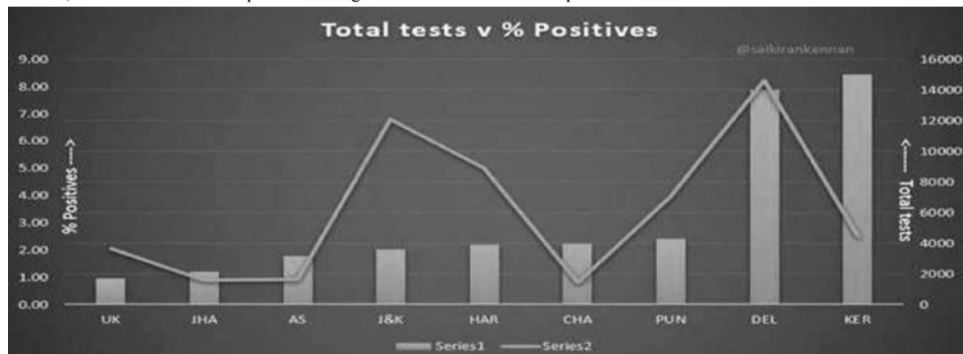


Figure 4: Tests v Positives (BUCKET 2)

Jammu and Kashmir and Haryana have a higher number of positives.

Haryana has a TPM of 134 with only 3,905 tests conducted but already has 195 cases as of April 12. That is a high five percent positivity quotient.

Jharkhand is a worry. It is the largest state with the lowest TPM in the bucket.

Bucket 3

Bucket 3 features larger states. The ones that have a population in the range of 43 million-230 million.

Surprisingly, Rajasthan has the best TPM number in this quadrant, followed closely by Maharashtra. The other states are way down below when it comes to the TPMs.

Both these states have tested a lot, with areas in Maharashtra already experiencing community spread and Rajasthan has seen a huge spike in its positives over the last one week.

State	Total tests	% Positives	CASES	STATE POPULATION	Tests Per Million
WB	2523	5.31	134	99421053	25
ODI	3862	1.40	54	43707692	88
BIH	6703	0.95	64	122675000	55
AP	6958	6.04	420	52280702	133
KAR	9251	2.51	232	66423423	139
MP	10481	5.36	562	83018868	126
TN	10655	10.09	1075	75659091	141
GUJ	11715	4.40	516	68877778	170
UP	11855	4.07	483	230777778	51
RAJ	28505	2.82	804	78123932	365
MAH	35668	5.56	1982	123383673	289

STATES HAVING POPULATION BETWEEN 43 TO 230 MILLION

TABLE 5: BUCKET 3 testing stats

Rajasthan and Maharashtra are in Q1 and Q2 respectively. The rest of the states are in Q3 and no state is in Q4 though Tamil Nadu may soon progress to this dangerous quadrant (Q4).

West Bengal has an abysmally low TPM of 25, which is a cause for concern because of its large population.

The same goes with Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, which have a TPM of 55 and 51 respectively. Considering they are woefully short of even reaching near the national average of around 105, one would hope that this delay in testing does not result in a massive spike in cases across these states.

Karnataka looks to be in a good position as it has an above-average TPM with a low number of cases.

Gujarat is slightly starting to see an increase in its cases in spite of a decent TPM.

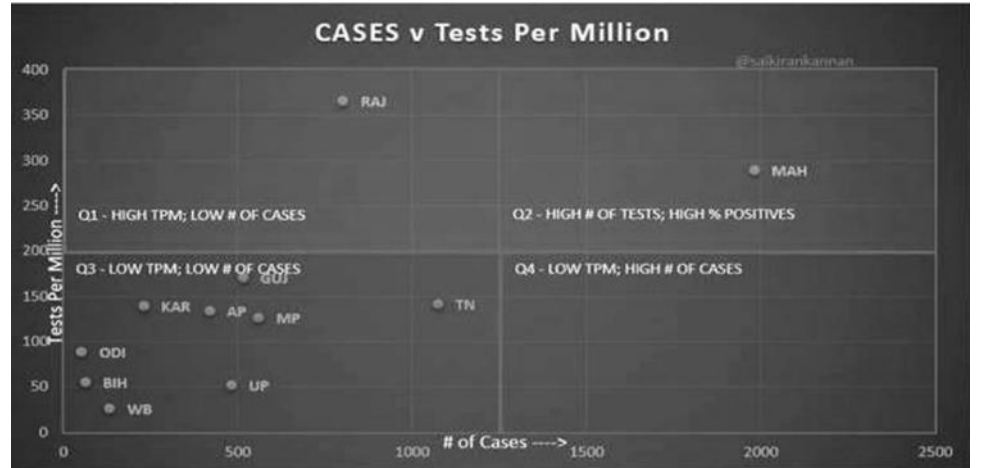


Figure 5: BUCKET 3 quadrant plot

Tamil Nadu has a high percentage of positives among the tested samples owing to targeted testing of people who were part of the Nizamuddin cluster. But we can see that this bucket has a high average when it comes to the percentage of positives with many states recording above five percent of positives.

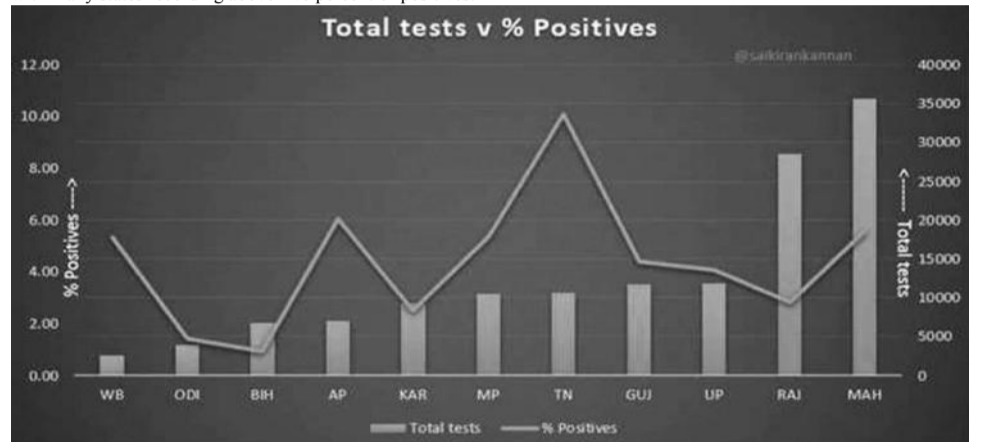


Figure 6: Tests v Positives (BUCKET 3)

SITUATION AS A WHOLE IN INDIA

India has been able to slowly increase the rate of testing over the last ten days. The worry is that most of the testing might have focused on the Nizamuddin cluster.

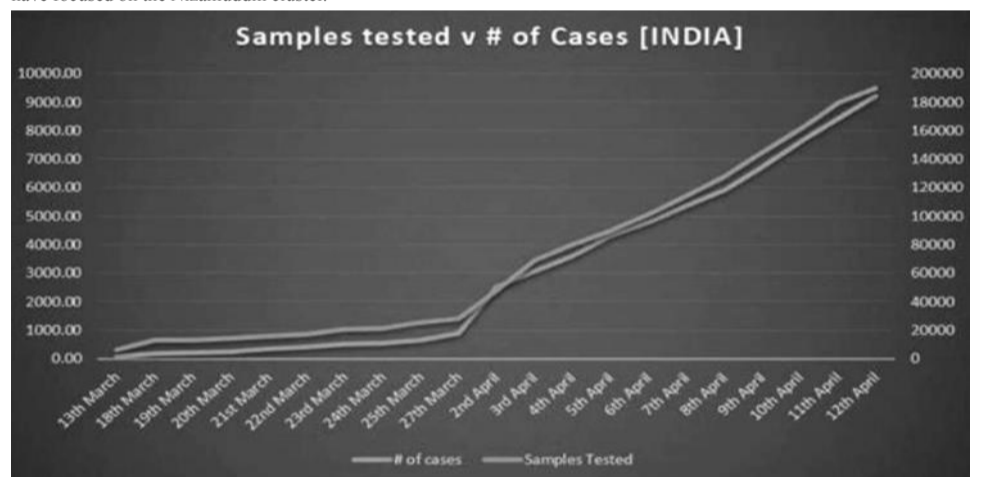


Figure 7: Test v Cases (India)

But India, surprisingly, has not seen any other major cluster come to the fore.

There is also a talk of India ramping up testing using Rapid Antibody Test kits to ensure areas reporting community spread can be covered quickly.

While these testing kits are useful, they are not foolproof. If they report a sample negative, an RT-PCR test may still be required for re-confirmation.

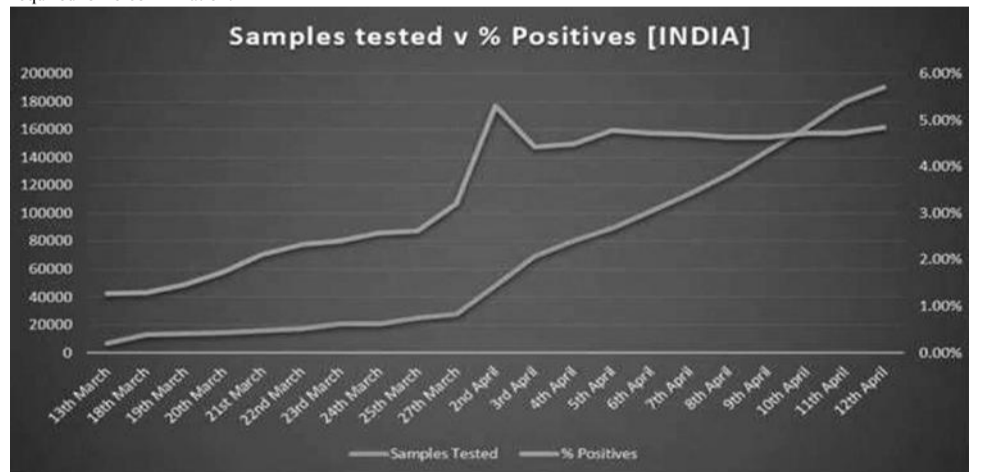


Figure 8: Tests v Percentage Positives (India)

As of Sunday, many states have seen delays in receiving the Rapid Antibody Test kits.

States must ensure they continue with RT-PCR tests with an increased coverage.



Figure 9: Day-to-day jumps since Janta curfew

India has managed to stabilise the day-to-day increase in cases ever since the lockdown and thankfully has not yet entered the exponential phase. But the country cannot afford to extend the lockdowns indefinitely.

Lockdowns are basically circuit breakers that help buy states the time to ensure that the testing coverage is widened and the hospitals are not overburdened.

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(Source: <https://www.indiatoday.in/news-analysis/story/decoding-india-s-covid-19-testing-state-by-state-1666587-2020-04-13>)

SOME HELPLINE NUMBERS

Police Control room : 100
Fire Service : 101
Coastal Security : 1093
PBMC Control Room : 245798
State control Room: 1077/234287
Extn : 328 / 231179
Shipping : 245555
Women : 1091
Children : 1098
Coast Guard (Search & Rescue) : 1554
District Control Room : 1070 / 238881
Ambulance : 102

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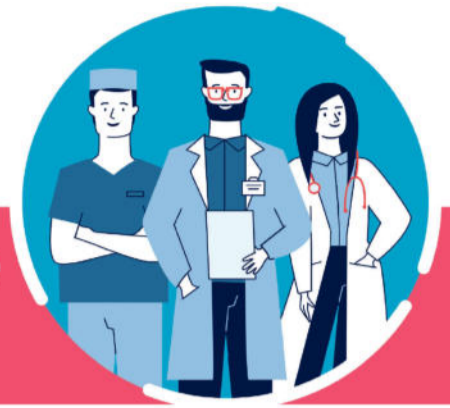


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Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package: Insurance Scheme for Health Workers Fighting COVID-19



The Scheme at a Glance

Q1: What does this Scheme cover?

This accident insurance scheme covers:
• Loss of life due to COVID-19, and
• Accidental death on account of COVID-19 related duty.

Q2: Who all are covered under the scheme?

• Public healthcare providers including community health workers, who may have to be in direct contact and care of COVID-19 case and who may be at risk of being impacted by this.
• Private hospital staff and retired /volunteer /local urban bodies/ contracted /daily wage /ad-hoc/outsourced staff requisitioned by States/ Central hospitals/ autonomous hospitals of Central/ States/UTs, AIIMS and INIs/ hospital of Central Ministries can also be drafted for COVID 19 related responsibilities.

Q3: When does insurance coverage policy begins and ends?

• The duration of the policy is for a period of 90 days, starting from March 30, 2020.

Q4: Is there any age-limit for health workers under this scheme?

• There is no age limit for this scheme.

Q5: Is individual enrolment required?

• Individual enrolment is not required.

Q6: Whether an individual is required to pay any premium to be eligible under the scheme?

• The entire amount of premium for this scheme is being borne by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

Q7: What is the benefit available to the insured persons?

• INR 50 LAKHS will be paid to the claimant of the insured person.

Q8: If a person is having another Personal accident policy or life insurance policy, what is the effect of the same on claim under this policy?

• The benefit/claim under this policy is in addition to the amount payable under any other policies.

Availing Claims

Whom to contact in case of any claim?

• The institution/department the insured person was working for has to be informed.
• Insurance company must be intimated via email id nia.312000@newindia.co.in

Process of claim submission

• The claimant needs to fill up the claim form along with necessary documents as prescribed and submit the same to Healthcare Institution/ organization/ office where the deceased was an employee of /engaged by the institution.
• The respective institution will give the necessary certification and forward it to competent authority.
• Competent authority for State/UT is Director General Health Services /Director Health Services/ Director Medical Education or any other Official specifically authorised by the State/UT Government for this purpose.
• Competent authority for Central Government, Central Autonomous / PSU Hospitals, AIIMS, INIs and Hospitals of other Central Ministries is Director or Medical Superintendent or Head of the concerned institution.
• Competent authority will forward and submit claim to the insurance company for approval.

Whom to contact from insurance company?

Contact the following officials regarding any claim related queries:

Mrs. Sarika Arora
Divisional Manager
Email: sarika.arora@newindia.co.in
or nia.312000@newindia.co.in
Mob: 9811632409

Mr. N. Ravi Rao
Deputy Manager
Email: ravin.rao@newindia.co.in
or niadelbroker20@gmail.com
Mob: 9312409914

Mr. Yogendra Singh Tanwar
Administrative Officer
Email: yogendra.tanwar@newindia.co.in
Mob: 9899974549

For further information related to the scheme write to pmgkpinsurance2020@gmail.com

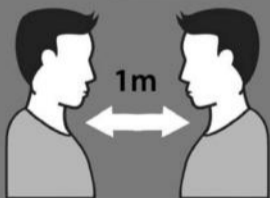


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Protective measures against Coronavirus



A distance of at least 1 meter is necessary to ensure safety for all



Wash your hands with soap and water regularly



If soap and water is not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol



Wash hands before touching eyes, nose and mouth



Throw used tissues into closed bins immediately after use



Cover your nose and mouth with handkerchief/tissue while sneezing and coughing



Avoid mass gathering and crowded places

If you are experiencing symptoms like fever, cough or difficulty in breathing, please call the state helpline number.

STATE HELPLINE NO: 03192-232102