

## Coronavirus Update

## Date – 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022

## BHUTAN

The country registered 82 new cases, its highest one-day Covid-19 cases ever in 24 hours, yesterday as authorities placed Phuentsholing town under a three-day lockdown starting yesterday morning.

Ever since the longest lockdown was lifted on August 10, 2021, Phuentsholing did not see any positive case from the community for 144 days.

But with the Omicron variant spreading faster and the number of cases increasing in neighboring areas across the border.

Bhutan saw her first winter snowfall on the 29<sup>th</sup> of December 2021, a heavy one for the country after many years!

At the start of a new year the Tourism Council performed a Puja to mark successful management of COVID 19 protocols in the country, to celebrate 50 years of tourism in Bhutan & to seek a smooth, successful re-start & re-opening of Bhutan whenever it happens.

The tourism bodies are in contact with the government about the quarantine restrictions being lifted, and we will keep you updated on any developments. As of date, the quarantine period still remains at 14 days.

The number of corona virus cases in Bhutan is now as follows:

Total Cases	Infected (Active)	Recovered	Deaths
2781	14	2654	3

## **Overall Data** (Updated on 10 January 2022)

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