

Coronavirus Update

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INDIA

The spread of the novel coronavirus in India has quickened in the last few days with new cases of Covid-19 and deaths reported every day. The epidemic has expanded its footprint in the country and has affected 29,05,823 as on date.

India's coronavirus recovery rate soared past 74.30 per cent on Friday, taking the total recoveries to 21,58,946 people. The fatality rate has dropped further to 1.89 per cent, resulting 54,829 deaths as on date.

To allow gradual movement of passenger traffic during the Covid-19 health crisis, Air Bubble agreements have been signed with 7 countries i.e. US, UK, France, Germany, UAE, Qatar, and the Maldives. India is in talks with as many as 13 more countries for resumption of international flights under bilateral air bubbles agreement. These countries include Australia, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, Nigeria, Bahrain, Israel, Kenya, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, South Korea and Thailand

Though Air Bubble flights have already begun its operations in a calibrated manner and restarting of normal scheduled international passenger flights has now been deferred further until 31st August. Educational Institutes / schools and international air travel is expected to follow in upcoming phases depending upon assessment of the situation.

We continue to monitor the situation and will update you as and when required. For the latest updates you may visit <https://www.mygov.in/covid-19>