

Coronavirus Update

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Amid the continuous surge in coronavirus cases in Nepal, the country conducted Real Time Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) in the last 24 hours wherein 707 people were found COVID-19 positive.

The coronavirus case count in Nepal now stands at 29,645 cases, with 17,964 recovered according to latest health ministry figures. 126 deaths are reported due to the virus.

Nepal on last Tuesday imposed a week-long prohibitory order in the Kathmandu Valley (Kathmandu, Bhaktapur and Lalitpur) after a sudden spike in the coronavirus cases.

With the issuance of restrictive orders, people are barred from coming out of their houses except for emergency works. All businesses and shops except those providing essential services and goods such as medicines, vegetables, food stuffs, drinking water, milk, electricity, telecommunications, petroleum will be shut down.

Nepal government has decided to extend the suspension of domestic and international flights as well as public transport until August 31st amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

We continue to monitor the situation and will update you as and when required. For the latest updates you may visit <u>https://covid19.ndrrma.gov.np</u>