**MoHS Statement on COVID-19 (15 March 2020, 8:00PM) (**[**Link**](https://www.facebook.com/MinistryOfHealthAndSportsMyanmar/photos/pcb.3250228908339725/3250226185006664/?type=3&theater)**)**

***(Unofficial translation by OCHA)***

1. The Ministry of Health and Sports (MoHS) has been working on monitoring and preventive measures of the COVID-19, which has been spreading globally, at international entrances/gates, at public hospitals and among communities, as well as in cooperation with private hospitals.
2. In doing so, eight Persons Under Investigation (PUI) have been found between 14 March 2020 (6:00PM) and 15 March 2020 (6:00PM). and treated and isolated at designated hospitals concerned. Nasal swab samples taken from them will be sent and tested at the National Health Laboratory (NHL) in Yangon. (**See Table 1**).
3. Test results of two out of eight PUIs and those of the three remaining ones were shown in Table 2. The rest of the test results were sent and the MOHS will release them in a timely manner.
4. According to the laboratory results released by the NHL, five of the patients being treated in designated hospitals (from 6:00AM to 6:00PM, on 15 March 2020) tested negative for COVID-19. **(See Table 2)**.
5. A 35 year-old Myanmar woman from Germany, two Myanmar citizens (50 yr and 64 yr) from France, returned to the Yangon International Airport on 15 March. Despite showing no symptoms nor having close contact with infected people, they have been quarantined at Weibargi Hospital as they have travel history to the places with high cases of COVID-19.
6. Five Myanmar citizens being quarantined in Weibargi Hospital on 15 March were tested negative for COVID-19.
7. As of 15 March 2020, 6:00PM, seven patients were being treated at designated hospitals.
8. The MoHS has been speeding up monitoring although there were no laboratory-confirmed cases as of 13 March 2020. The MoHS calls on people to exactly follow the MoHS health guidelines as the COVID-19 has been spreading in China and other 118 countries in the world, including neighboring countries.

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| **No** | **Age** | **Gender** | **Address** | **Symptoms** | **Date of Symptoms** | **Travel History** | | **Location where the patient was found** | **Contacted with COVID-19 patient or not** | **Hospital and Date** | **Remark** |
| **Visited Location** | **Date of Arrival to Myanmar** |
| 1 | 57 yr | Male | Shwe Pyi Thar Township, Yangon Region | Fever, Cough | 13.3.2020 | No |  | North Okkalapa General Hospital | No | North Okkalapa General Hospital (14.3.2020) | Myanmar citizen |
| 2 | 22 yr | Female | Hlegu Township,  Yangon Region | Fever, Cough, Sneezing | 13.3.2020 | China | 12.3.2020 | Hlegu Township Hospital | No | Hlegu Township Hospital (14.3.2020) | Myanmar citizen |
| 3 | 49 yr | Female | Hlegu Township,  Yangon Region | Fever, Cough | 12.3.2020 | No |  | Thingangyun Sanpya Hospital | No | Thingangyun Sanpya Hospital (12.3.2020) | Myanmar citizen |
| 4 | 56 yr | Male | Pyinmana Township,  Nay Pyi Taw | Fever, Cough, Exhaustion | 4.3.2020 | Thailand | 14.3.2020 | Pyinmana General Hospital | No | Pyinmana General Hospital (14.3.2020) | Myanmar citizen |
| 5 | 16 yr | Male | Pyin-Oo-Lwin Township, Mandalay Region | Fever, Cough, Sore throat | 13.3.2020 | Thailand | 13.3.2020 | Pyin-Oo-Lwin General Hospital | No | Pyin-Oo-Lwin General Hospital (14.3.2020) | Myanmar citizen |
| 6 | 37 yr | Male | Hlaing Township,  Yangon Region |  |  | France | 13.3.2020 | Hmawbe Township Hospital | Yes (was in a meeting with a COVID-19 positive Filipino) | Weibargi Hospital (15.3.2020) | Chinese citizen |
| 7 | 22 yr | Male | Mandalay Region | Fever, Sore throat, Diarrhea, Stomachache | 14.3.2020 | Hong Kong | 10.3.2020 | Mandalay General Hospital | No | Kandaw Nadi Hospital | Hong Kong |
| 8 | 29 yr | Male | Zabu Thiri Township,  Nay Pyi Taw | Cough | 9.3.2020 | Geneva, Switzerland | 15.3.2020 | Yangon International Airport | No | Weibargi Hospital (15.3.2020) | Myanmar citizen |

**Laboratory Result for COVID-19**

**(15.3.2020) 08:00 PM**

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| **No** | **Age** | **Gender** | **Address** | **Hospital** | **Arrival at Hospital** | **Laboratory Result** |
| 1 | 19 yr | Female | Htee Chaint Township, Sagaing Region | Htee Chaint Township Hospital | 11.3.2020 | Negative |
| 2 | 21 yr | Male | Minbu Township, Magway Region | Minbu General Hospital | 14.3.2020 | Negative |
| 3 | 40 yr | Female | Patheingyi Township, Mandalay Region | Kandaw Nadi Hospital | 13.3.2020 | Negative |
|  |  |  | Two out of 8 PUIs (as of 15.3.2020) |  |  |  |
| 4 | 49 yr | Female | Hlegu Township, Yangon Region | Thingyangyun Sanpya Hospital | 14.3.2020 | Negative |
| 5 | 57 yr | Male | Shwe Pyi Thar Township, Yangon Region | North Okkalapa General Hospital | 14.3.2020 | Negative |

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