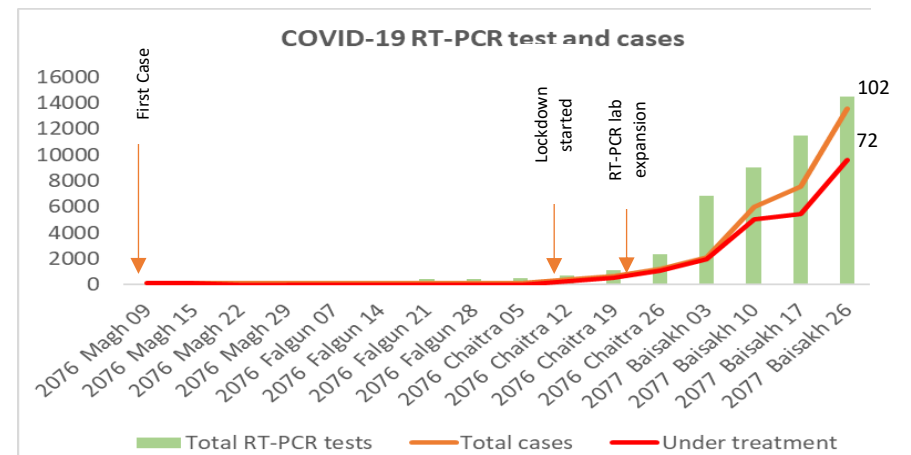
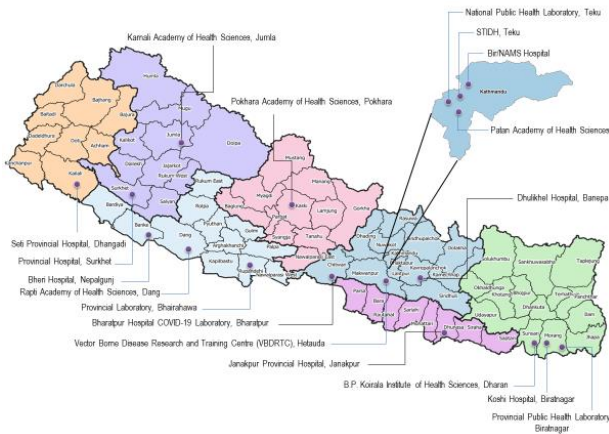


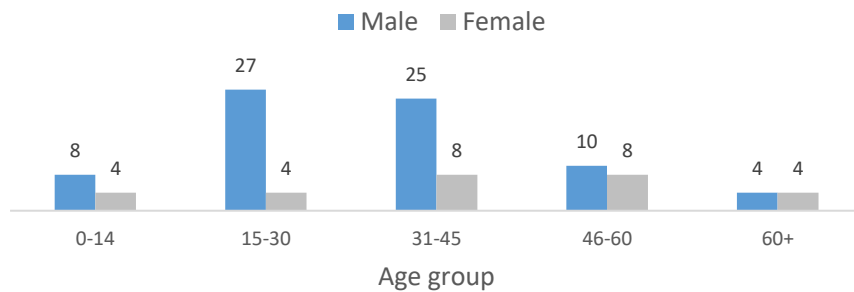


Health Sector Response to COVID-19				Friday 26 Baisakh 2077 (8 th May 2020)		
RT-PCR test	RDT test	Positive cases	Treated cases	Cases under treatment	Patients in Isolation	Individuals in Quarantine
15492	55005	102	30	72	135	15624

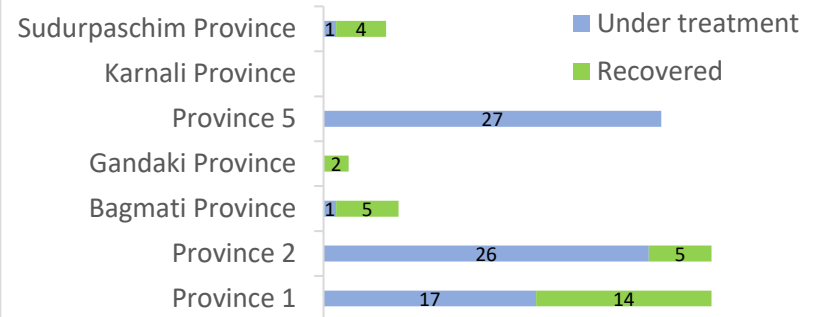
Laboratories with RT-PCR testing facilities for COVID-19



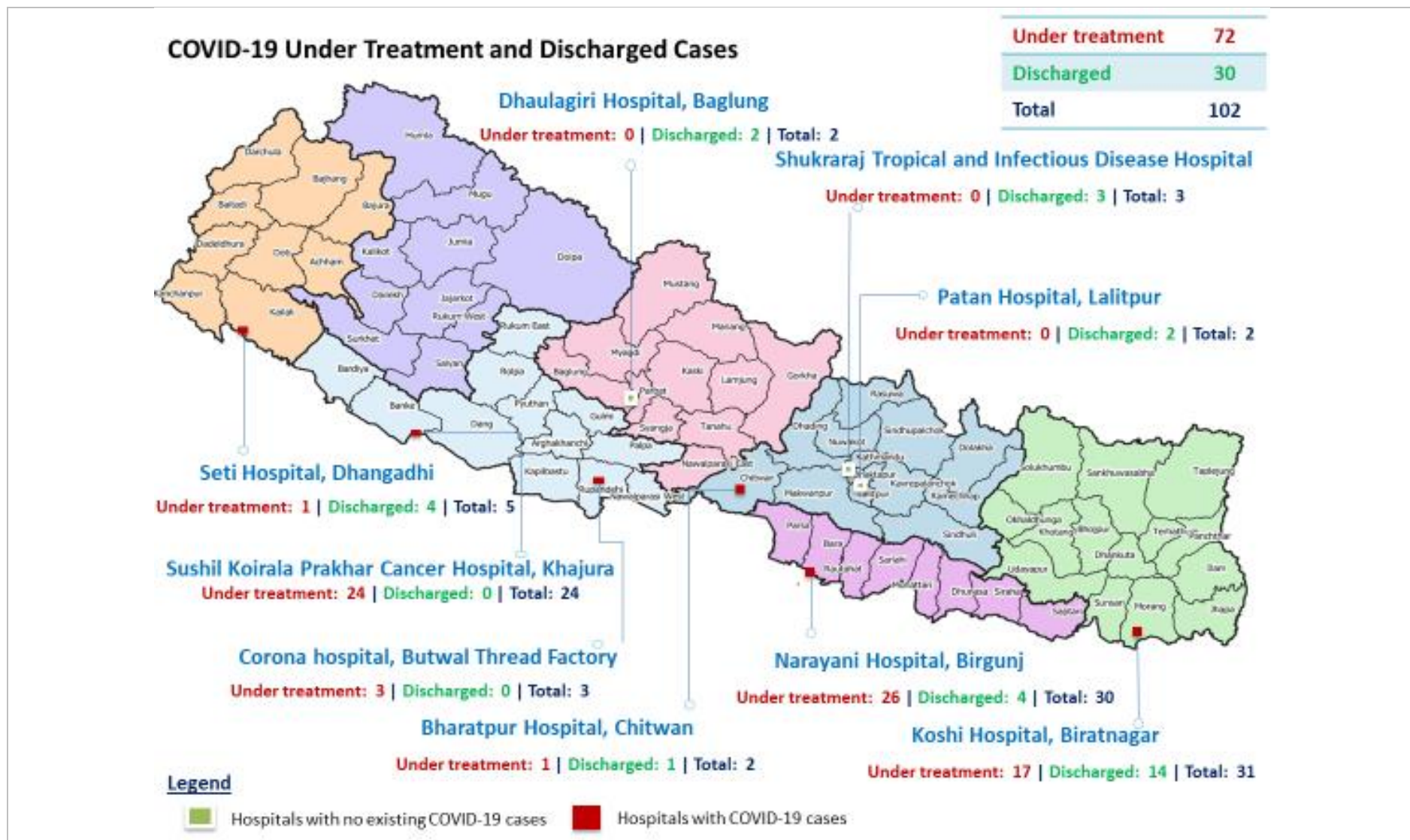
COVID-19 cases according to age-group and gender



COVID-19 cases according to Province



Today one new positive case of COVID-19, a male of 16 years of age, from Nepalgunj, Banke district is reported by the laboratory of Bheri Hospital, Nepalgunj.



Major Activities



- The Swiss Government, through the Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation (SDC) handed over 30,000 PCR test kits to the Honorable Minister, Ministry of Health and Population. Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) with support from Nepal Army has distributed these kits to almost all laboratories performing RT-PCR test for COVID-19 across the country

- Eight COVID-19 infected individuals who were under treatment in Koshi Hospital, Biratnagar have been discharged after they tested negative. Five of them were discharged on the 17th day and 3 individuals on the 16th day after receiving treatment in the hospital.
- Ministry of Health and Population has approved “[Health Sector Emergency Response Plan: COVID-19 Pandemic, May 2020](#)”. The main objective of this plan is to minimize potential impacts of COVID-19 pandemic on the health of general public and provide strategic guidance to all levels to effectively control the pandemic. This plan also provides estimated budget framework and potential sources of budget for the control and management of COVID-19.

Logistics Management

Department of Health Services (DoHS) has been supplying necessary items such as disinfectant sprayer pump, PPE, N95 masks, gowns, goggles, gloves, thermometer as per the demand and need.

Information and Communication

Two Call Centers 1115 (from 6 am to 8 pm) and 1133 (24 hours) have been operationalized since 30th Falgun, 2076 (13 March, 2020) to provide counselling service regarding COVID-19 prevention and treatment. People are requested to call these Call Centers for any queries related to COVID-19. Total number of service users: 2042

With the aim of facilitating general public to self-assess their health status in regards to COVID-19, “Hamro Swasthya” mobile application has been operational since 16 Chaitra 2076 (29 March, 2020).

'Hamro Swasthya' mobile application download number:	90,920 (Active users: 65,277)
Number of self-assessment forms filled:	33,797 (Today: 275)
Total number in red zone	336 (Today: 1)
Number of website viewers	11,53,555
Viber Group "MoHP Nepal COVID-19"	Active users: 2,98,100



Expansion of Laboratory Service

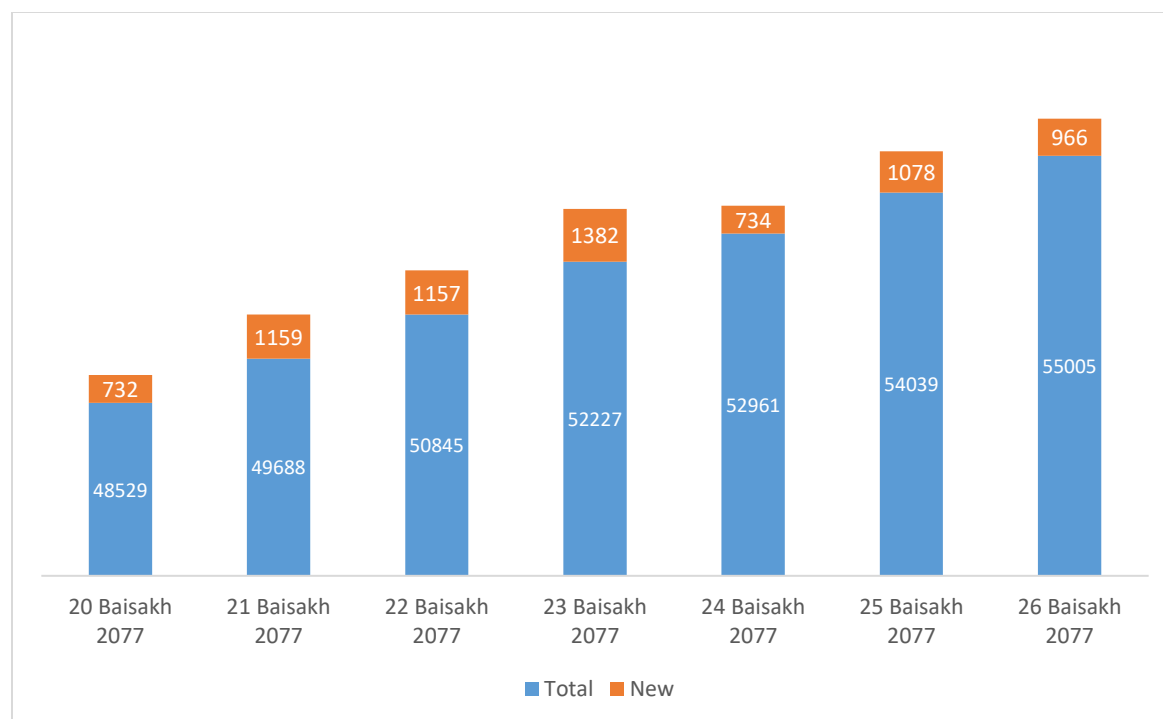
The capacity of National Public Health Laboratory (NPHL), Teku has been strengthened for COVID-19 sample testing and the number of institutions providing RT-PCR (Real Time - Polymerase Chain Reaction) tests has been expanded to 18 institutions across the country, with at least one laboratory in each province.

RT-PCR Test Result as of Today

Total positive cases as of today: **102**

Laboratory	Service Initiation date	Total tested	Results awaiting	New test
National Public Health Laboratory/ Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku, Kathmandu	13 Magh 2076/ 01 Baisakh 2077	8923	0	652
B. P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Dharan	16 Chaitra 2076	985	114	0
Koshi Hospital, Biratnagar	28 Chaitra 2076	904	195	56
Provincial Public health laboratory, Biratnagar	19 Baisakh 2077	144	0	21
Janakpur Provincial Hospital, Janakpur	21 Chaitra 2076	113	0	0
Bharatpur Hospital COVID-19 Diagnostic Laboratory, Chitwan	23 Chaitra 2076	393	0	0
Vector Borne Disease Research and Training Centre, Hetauda	20 Chaitra 2076	462	0	0
Kathmandu University Teaching Hospital, Dhulikhel	23 Chaitra 2076	686	0	0
Patan Hospital, Lalitpur	10 Baisakh 2077	42	0	2
Bir Hospital, Kathmandu	28 Chaitra 2076	150	0	0
Pokhara Academy of Health Science, Pokhara	18 Chaitra 2076	632	3	96
Provincial Public Health Laboratory, Rupandehi	23 Chaitra 2076	337	0	0
Bheri Hospital, Nepalgunj, Banke	07 Baisakh 2077	652	48	154
Rapti Academy of Health Science, Dang	13 Baisakh 2077	59	1	0
Surkhet Provincial Hospital, Surkhet	20 Chaitra 2076	372	17	0
Karnali Academy of Health Science, Jumla	22 Baisakh 2077	31	44	0
Seti Provincial Hospital, Dhangadi	20 Chaitra 2076	607	55	0
Total		15492	477	981

RDT Test Status



Province-wise Information on Quarantine and Isolation






Province	No. of quarantine beds	No. of people in quarantine	No. of isolation beds	No. of patients in isolation
Province 1	5899	1645	449	28
Province 2	4222	1291	297	45
Bagmati Province	4764	272	947	11
Gandaki Province	4262	511	246	0
Province 5	12547	5807	534	48
Karnali Province	7801	2705	487	0
Sudurpaschim Province	8452	3393	163	3
Total	47947	15624	3123	135

Source: NEOC, Ministry of Home Affairs and Provincial Health Directorate, Date: 25th Baisakh 2077 (7th May 2020)

Standards and Guidelines

SN	Standards and Guidelines	URL
1	Directions on grants provision to hospital providing treatment for COVID-19 infection, 2077	https://tinyurl.com/ybnphelh
2	Directions on operation of COVID-19 Unified Hospital, 2077	https://tinyurl.com/y9dls9d3
3	Interim guideline on delivery of COVID and other health care services in the context of COVID-19 epidemic - 2076	https://tinyurl.com/yc7ksfya
4	Protocol for operating COVID-19 Clinic	https://tinyurl.com/y9yz25k6
5	Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) when COVID-19 is suspected	https://tinyurl.com/y9tov4p3
6	Interim Clinical Guidance for Care of Patients with COVID-19 in Health Care Settings	https://tinyurl.com/y9qwe6nf
7	COVID-19 SOP, Case Investigation and Tracing Form	https://tinyurl.com/ybpt36tm
8	Guideline on the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in the context of COVID-19	https://tinyurl.com/y883n8du
9	Brief procedure for the management of the bodies of people who died due to COVID-19 - 2076	https://tinyurl.com/yaws7ug2
10	Guideline to transport COVID-19 patients to hospitals	https://tinyurl.com/yaahnxfz
11	Clinical approach to a patient with suspected COVID-19	https://tinyurl.com/y7pxwysw
12	Introduction to Novel Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) (Handbook for health workers)	https://tinyurl.com/y8utcbhz
13	Protocol for ILI Clinics (COVID-19 Screening Fever Clinics)	https://tinyurl.com/y6ulxxoc
14	Flow Diagram for testing people in quarantine for COVID-19	https://tinyurl.com/y8ypcalg
15	Wondfo SARS-CoV-2 Antibody Procedure	https://tinyurl.com/ya4sjm9y
16	Guideline on sample collection from people on COVID-19 quarantine	https://tinyurl.com/y8ypcalg
17	Flow Diagram for testing returnees for COVID-19 (RDT or PCR)	https://tinyurl.com/y6uf4nlq
18	Standards for implementing and managing quarantine for COVID-19, 2076	https://tinyurl.com/ybnsmc6n
19	Interim Pocket Book of Clinical Management of COVID-19 in Healthcare Setting	https://tinyurl.com/yblfakoo
20	Safety measures to be followed at the point of entry (import) in the context of COVID-19 pandemic	https://tinyurl.com/yacxz3zw
21	Interim Guideline for the Establishment and Operationalization of Molecular Laboratory for COVID-19 Testing in Nepal	https://tinyurl.com/yd3u3va3
22	A standard protocol on the mobilization of non-military aircraft for COVID-19 management	https://tinyurl.com/y7glt9ud
23	Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) on Cleaning and Decontamination of the ambulance used in treatment and management of COVID-19	https://tinyurl.com/y6ufnsag
24	Directions on management of risk allowance to human resources engaged in treatment of COVID-19 infection -2077	https://tinyurl.com/ya78b2qw
25	Health Sector Emergency Response Plan, COVID-19 Pandemic, May 2020	

Additional Information

	COVID-19 Hotline Service	1133 (24/7) 1115 (6 AM to 10 PM) 9851255839, 9851255837, 9851255834 (8 AM to 8 PM)
	Web Portal	https://covid19.moHP.gov.np/ https://heoc.moHP.gov.np http://www.edcd.gov.np/
	Official Viber Community	Search "MoHP Nepal COVID-19" on Viber to join the community
	Social Media	fb.com/moHPnep fb.com/HEOCMoHP fb.com/edcdnepal
	Mobile Application	Search "Hamro Swasthya" on Google Play Store