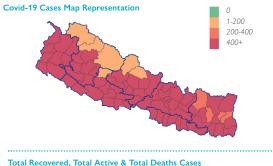




World Vision International (WVI) Nepal is responding to the impact of second wave of COVID-19 in 16 districts, especially in places where children and families are most vulnerable.



Active Cases

COVID-19 Total Cases: 528,848

COVID-19 Deaths: 6,700

Total Infected: 117,261

Recovered: 404,887

PCR Tests: 2,958,620

Quarantined: 914

(Government of Nepal, Ministry of Health and Population (<u>MoHP</u>, 25 May 2021)

RT-PCR Testing Laboratories: **91** Home Isolation: **108,428** Institutional Isolation: **8,833** Patient in I.C.U: **1,672** Patient in ventilators: **447**

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Nepal is among the top 10 countries in terms of daily COVID-19 cases increase rate and has the highest transmission rate in the world 1

On 19 May 2021, Wednesday at 5:42 AM local time, the earthquake measuring 5.8M followed by subsequent aftershocks of 4M at 8:16 AM and 5.3M at 8:26 AM, hit Lamjung district of Gandaki Province in Nepal. A total of 5 people got injured, 1195 people (239 households) were displaced, 245 houses are fully damaged and 395 houses partially damaged in Lamjung, Tanahun and Kaski districts of Gandaki Province. (HRRP and Shelter Cluster Gandaki Province Sitrep#1)

Approximately 10% of the individuals infected by COVID-19 in Nepal are children aged 19 years and less. (<u>MoHP</u>) Nepali migrant workers who had returned home from India are now going back to India due to lack of jobs.

Nepal's Parliament was dissolved on May 22 2021 for the second time in five months, new elections called for November, deepening a political crisis in the Himalayan nation as it struggles with a devastating Covid-19 outbreak. Opposition politicians expressed surprise, apparently daunted by the prospect of planning for an election while the coronavirus is wreaking havoc. (The New York Times)

76 cases of Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI) have been reported this week. Majority of these cases are from Rupandehi (13 cases), Bardiya (11 cases), Jhapa (7 cases), Kathmandu and Dhankuta (5 cases from each districts) and Nuwakot (4 cases). (Epidemiology and Disease Control Division)

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Health and Population has asked adults over 18 years that haven't received a jab yet but are willing to receive their first dose to fill in a form in order to register. The government has also extended the gap for administration of second dose of Covishied Covid-19 vaccine by four weeks.Earlier, the interval between two doses of Serum Institute of India manufactured Covishield jab was set to 8-12 weeks. (The Himayalan Times)

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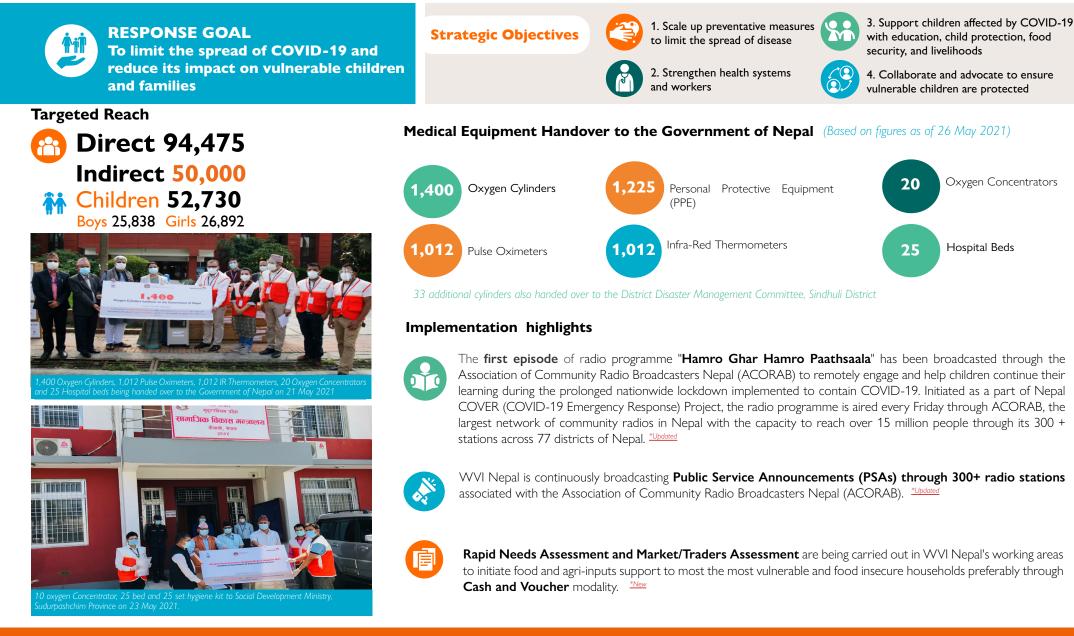
Key Concerns

- Following a massive surge in COVID-19 cases in the country, 75 out of 77 districts in the country have imposed lockdown/prohibitory order as of 23 May 2021. ² Lockdown in Kathmandu valley has been extended until 3 June 2021. ³
 - Amid uncertainty over Covid-19 vaccine supplies to Nepal, the country's one immediate hope, the COVAX facility, has communicated to the government that it won't be able to provide the jabs before next year. With this, it remains unclear when those 1.3 million people above 65 years of age, who took their first shots between March 7 and March 15, will get their booster doses On 26 May 2021, China has announced that it would provide 1 million doses in grant assistance amid Nepal's deepening virus crisis.⁴
 - Need for oxygen supplies remains a top priority, including 60,000 cylinders, 2,000 concentrators, 10 tanks, 7 plants and 1,000 high flow nasal canula. Requirements for tents and prefabricated structures to establish field hospitals, expand existing hospital capacity and manage returnees at points of entry (PoEs) in advance of the approaching monsoon season.⁵ Filling oxygen cylinders remains a challenge. Almost every big government hospital has an oxygen plant but only a few of them work properly. ⁶

¹ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZD8brK3PCbE 2 https://www.moha.gov.np/







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