

# SITUATION REPORT FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE | 10th June 2021 | SitRep

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#### **Cambodia Administrative Profile**

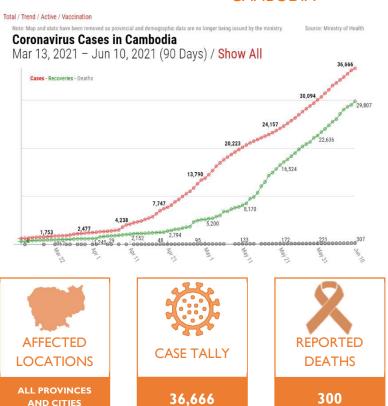
- 25 Provinces
- Population: 16 million

#### World Vision Programme Profile

- 42 Area Programmes
- 15 Grant and 9 PNS funded projects
- 113,388 Registered Children

#### **Directives and Responses by the Government**

- All government and private schools nationally are ordered to be closed. The government is actively tracking and tracing to contain the spread.
- The government announced an intent to expel any foreigners who flee quarantine and fail to cooperate with the Ministry of Health. This response is understood to address the root cause of the current outbreak. Foreign travelers are required to deposit \$2,000 for quarantine cost upon arrival.
- More government institutions started to delay their major events and gathering in their respective ministry, and the government refreshes restriction on holding public events and other big gatherings. Failure to comply with the safety measures on COVID-19 put forth by the Ministry of Health will be fined by the local authorities.
- The government also announced an additional number of centres for quarantine and hospitals to treat COVID-19
  patients. Temperature checks for travelers are in place at cross-provincial checkpoints. If cases of COVID-19
  significantly, quarantine at home is considered.
- A State of Emergency law was passed in 2020 preparing for movement restrictions and borders with neighboring countries such as Thailand, Vietnam, and Laos are restricted. However, the government instructed borders with neighboring countries to remain open for trade.



#### Summary of COVID-19 Responses by World Vision Programmes in Cambodia



(May: 9,192 families)



I,I34,699 people reached

(May: 12,953 people)



540,231 children (256,331 girls) reached

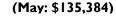
(May: 9,021 children, 4,629 girls)







COVID-19 Awareness Raised in 1,675 villages in 218 communes



### Current Responses by World Vision International-Cambodia

- Guided all project and programme teams concerning what activities to continue, adjust, and suspend in each Technical Programme, Community Engagement, F&D and Sponsorship Operations. Working with the Government, UN and INGO/NGOs partners to monitor the situation and modify response coordination.
- WVI-C received a grant project funded by Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) to implement 'Re-build COVID-19 affected communities' (RCAC) in Kampong Thom and Preah Vihear Provinces.
- WVI-C revised and updated the national Response and Recovery Plan (R&R) till Sept 2021 and in Oct 21, WVI-C will further revise the R&R plan based on the situation of COVID-19 in Cambodia.
- WVI-C shared a final report on the April COVID-19 Vulnerability Assessment (second study) internally and externally.
- Training of Trainers for the Technical Programme evaluation has been completed and the data collection will be conducted from 16 June 21.
- The vaccine roll-out plan was finalised and shared with WVI-C leaders and staff in the WV Regional Office.

#### The COVID-19 Oversight Team closely monitors the situation and provides instruction for all staff at the National Office as follows:

- Until further notice, National Office Staff are REQUIRED to work from home. Only a few essential staff can go to the office with their Director's approval.
- Staff (with the approval) can ONLY be at the national office for a limited time to complete essential tasks.
- The Operations Director will take appropriate decisions for programmes, projects, regions based on the prevailing situation.
- Staff are recommended to receive a vaccination when they become available through the Government's national vaccination deployment plan, led by the Ministry of Health.

#### Urban Programme's Response (20 Feb - 9 June 21) during lockdown in Phnom Penh

- The Urban programme is working closely in collaboration with local authorities, including village, Sangkat and Khans to focus the response to the most vulnerable families in slums and red zone areas.
- The Urban programme received grant funded by Plan International for COVID-19 response The Phase 1 allocation of \$20,000 will benefit 667 families and in Phase 2 \$20,000 will benefit 667 families. WVI-C started project implementation in Phnom Penh city from June 30 Sept 21.
- 1,807 families including 118 families in red zones received support from the WV Urban Programme and impacted a population of 9,511 including 3,253 most vulnerable children and 1,601 registered children.

# COVID-19 Emergency Response Highlights

### **Objective I: Scale-up preventive measures to limit the spread of disease**

people (including parents,

caregivers and children) reached with preventive behavior messaging on COVID-19



IEC materials printed and distributed

262,108

hand-washing supplies (soap, detergent) distributed to HH (Incl: caregivers and children) for COVID-19 prevention 17,978

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comprehensive hygiene kits distributed to households (Incl: caregivers and children) for COVID-19 prevention

### **Objective 2: Strengthen health systems and workers**



44,796 liters

of alcohol for medical personnel provided in health facilities for COVID-19 support



of face masks distributed to health facilities, CHW, and caregivers and children for COVID-19 support



support

### **106** thermometers

provided to health facilities (incl. hospital, clinics) for COVID-19 support

## **Objective 3: Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through education, child** protection, food security and livelihoods



### **Objective 4: Collaborate and advocate to ensure children are protected**

An external version of WVI-C's COVID-19 Vulnerability Assessment study was launched on 28 May 21. The report was shared with all relevant stakeholders (donors, INGOS and CSOs) ahead of International Children's Day (1<sup>st</sup> June). The report was also shared through the Relief Web website, the UN coordinator website in Cambodia and the main humanitarian cluster mailing list (Humanitarian Response Forum). The launch of the report was also covered in the media. The findings have already been presented to several high level technical working groups (inc. social protection, education).

Working with the members of Joining Forces, WVI-C led the development of an opinion piece that was signed by all Country Directors and published on the 1st of June. The piece, building on the data and findings from WV's survey, calls the Government and the donors to prioritize measures to address the potential long term impacts of COVID-19 on children (food security, education and mental health). The opinion piece was published in all major newspapers in Khmer and English and also reported on Radio and TV. Representatives for Joining Forces conducted several follow up interviews, including with children.





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