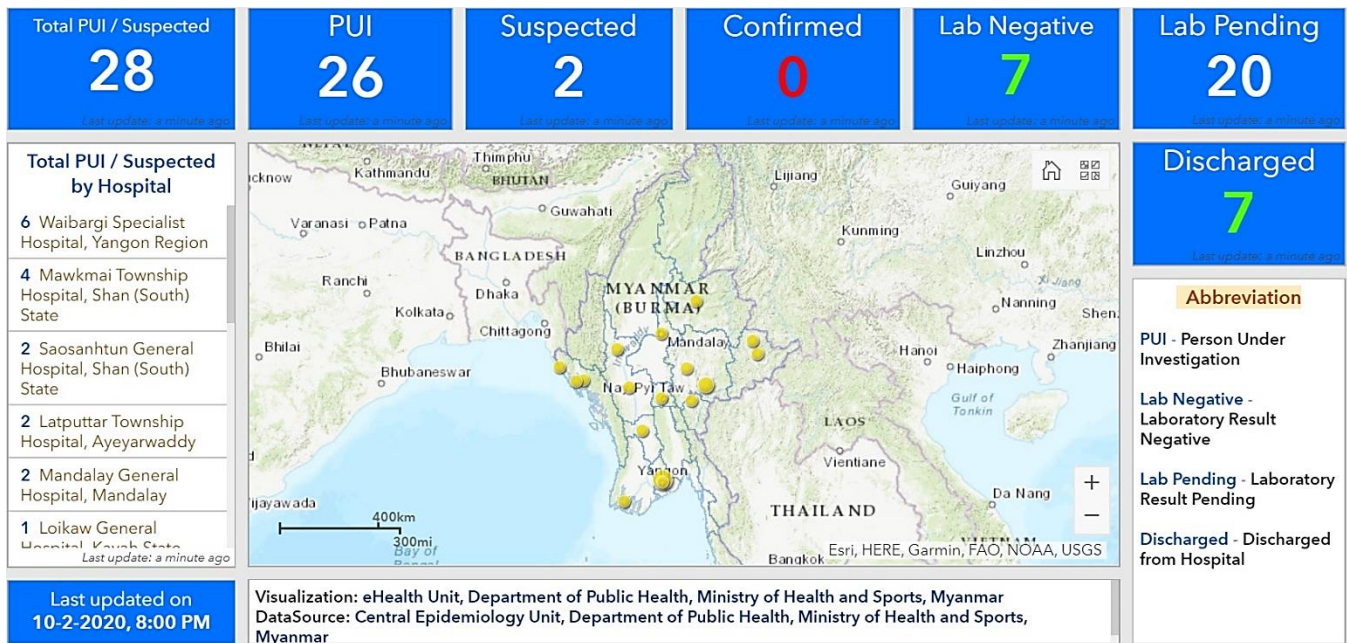




Information sharing on novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV)

MRCS's response supported by the Red Cross & Red Crescent Movement partners in Myanmar

Latest statistics from the Ministry of Health and Sports (MoHS) in Myanmar as of 8pm, 10 February 2020



For more information, please visit MoSH's Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) [Surveillance Dashboard](#)

MoHS list of needed items to respond to 2019-nCoV in Myanmar shared by MoHS's International Relation Division

1. PPE	9. Standard Quarantine equipment set (Infrared-thermal scanner)	15. Patient monitor	20. Blood gas analyzer
2. N95 mask	10. Non-contact thermometer	16. Defibrillator	21. ECG
3. Surgical mask	11. VTM (viral transport media)	17. Ventilators	22. Syringe pump
4. Hand gel	12. Primer for PCR	18. Blood and fluid warming system, enflow	23. Infusion pump
5. Surgical glove	13. Boot or Shoe	19. O2 supply station output (30m ² /h) above	24. Air sep
6. Body bag	14. Shoe Cover		25. Nebulizer
7. Goggle			26. Suction machine

Red Cross & Red Crescent Movement Highlights



6 Feb 2020: Red Cross & Red Crescent Movement gathered to support MRCS's response to novel coronavirus outbreak

Myanmar Red Cross Society (MRCS) invited the Red Cross Movement partners in Myanmar to an emergency meeting to share updates from the health cluster meeting led by the Ministry of Health and Sports (MoHS) and introduced its initial plan of action in responding to the novel coronavirus outbreak. All Movement partners – ICRC, IFRC, and Partner National Societies (PNS) – attended to show solidarity to MRCS in tackling this international public health emergencies. A Task Force was established and will convene every Tuesday and Friday. Read more [here](#).



7 Feb 2020: Awareness raising activities continue

MRCS volunteers supported the MoHS in organizing awareness sessions in a high school in Thanphyuzayat township, Mon state. The awareness session which gathered more than 250 audience including students, parents, and teachers, used the information materials developed by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in line with the World Health Organization (WHO)'s instructions on preventive measures against contracting the novel coronavirus.

Read more [here](#) and find more activities [here](#).



7 Feb 2020: Supporting MoHS for health screenings in border areas

MRCS volunteers supported the MoHS in its health screening activities among population in Waimaw Township, Kachin State, bordering China. Similar activities were conducted in Pyin Oo Lwin township of the Mandalay region.

Read more [here](#) and [here](#).



8 Feb 2020: Donation to MoHS to support 2019-CoV response

MRCS senior leadership stepped up to support the MoHS in addressing its logistic gaps needed to respond to the novel coronavirus outbreak. The MRCS gathered donations from the Movement partners and directly donated to the MoHS so that the MoHS can procure supplies by themselves. MRCS also delivered cash contribution of USD 16,500 and 5000 masks during the donation ceremony attended by senior management from MRCS, IFRC, and Partner National Societies.

Read more [here](#).

MRCS's priority areas in tackling novel coronavirus in Myanmar

The three priority areas of the MRCS's interventions on novel coronavirus are: provision of personal protective equipment, community-level and online information sharing to tackle misinformation and panic, and capacity building of red cross volunteers. **To support the priority areas, MRCS is currently mapping out most vulnerable border areas, as well as local volunteers to support the intervention once the areas are identified. MRCS is supporting the MoHS in the airports to detect possible cases, while community support and home visits also take place in various parts of Myanmar.**

MRCS's Plan of Action (PoA) is to be introduced during the first Movement Task Force meeting on 11 February 2020 based upon the above priority areas. The PoA will help these areas to be reflected in the Global Emergency Appeal and support MRCS to work with other partners.

Red Cross & Red Crescent Movement's support to National Societies locally and globally

Novel coronavirus outbreak is a public health emergency of international concern and the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement (the Movement) worldwide is doing everything it can to reduce the humanitarian impact and prevent the further spread of this coronavirus. **Through its interventions on novel coronavirus in Myanmar, MRCS aims to save lives and alleviate human suffering in accordance with our seven fundamental principles and strengthen its auxiliary role to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.**

Since the onset of the outbreak, IFRC at country, regional and global levels are coordinating with regional and international organizations including WHO and UNICEF as well as the US and European Centres for Disease Control in sharing information and guidance. **IFRC has released its maximum amount of one million Swiss francs from its Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) and launched a global emergency appeal for three million Swiss francs to support National Societies in novel coronavirus responses.** An initial allocation of CHF 20,000 has been made to support initial preparedness activities of MRCS and an overall Emergency Plan of Action for MRCS preparedness and response activities is being developed. Further funds to the MRCS will be **allocated contingent upon income against the Global Emergency Appeal and the emerging needs in the country, as well pooled funds from Movement partners in Myanmar.**

Community Engagement and Accountability

IFRC is supporting the National Societies to deliver assistance and provide risk communication, community engagement and services provision to affected communities through various channels including regional coordination meetings, [guidance note](#), and webinars. Below are the recent and upcoming CEA activities:

- On 10 February 2020, IFRC participated in the regional partner call on risk communication and community engagement led by WHO and UNOCHA, where a collective approach was discussed and plans made to exchange resources, such as IEC material and guidance on addressing stigma.
- On 11 February 2020, the IFRC Regional CEA Coordinator will give a risk communication & community engagement presentation to movement partners during the Task Force meeting at MRCS. In the coming weeks, IFRC Regional CEA Coordinator will organize a regional webinar for movement partners in the region to provide technical advices on risk communication and community engagement, as well as management of rumors and misinformation on 2019-nCoV.

Resources and contact information

[Daily MoHS update on 2019-nCoV](#)

[Daily MIMU update on 2019-nCoV](#)

[Latest WHO situation report](#)

[WHO 'myths buster'](#)

[Technical guidelines on the 2019-nCoV](#)

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