



Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

RMI Ministry of Health & Human Services

Situation Report - 02



Data as reported by 12 February 2020*

GLOBAL SITUATION OVERVIEW

The RMI Ministry of Health & Human Services (MOHHS) is closely monitoring an outbreak of COVID-19 that has been ongoing in Mainland China with the epicentre being Hubei Province, China. At the International Health Regulations (IHR) Emergency Committee meeting on 31 January 2020, the World Health Organization declared a **Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)**.

As of February 12th, 2020

- At least 43,146 confirmed cases have been reported for novel coronavirus (COVID-19) globally; 42,655 cases within Mainland China.
- 471 confirmed cases reported outside of Mainland China in 28 countries and territories: Thailand, Hong Kong, Australia, France, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, Jalaun, Macau, South Korea, United States, United Kingdom, Vietnam, Nepal, Canada, Germany, Sri Lanka, Cambodia, United Arab Emirates, Finland, Russia, Italy, India, Sweden, Philippines, Spain and Belgium.
- 1018 deaths have been reported – 1016 in Mainland China: 1 death in the Hong Kong, 1 death in Philippines.
- Person-to-person transmission reported in several countries outside of China including the US, Japan, Thailand, Singapore, Germany, Taiwan, Malaysia, Vietnam, United Kingdom, Spain France and South Korea

RMI'S READINESS & RESPONSE

As of February 12th, 2020:

- **There are NO SUSPECTED CASES of COVID-19 in RMI.**
- RMI Health Emergency Operations Center (HEOC) has been activated since 16 July 2019 to monitor Dengue Outbreak, observe Measles outbreak, and include monitoring of COVID-19 to implement preparedness and response measures to minimize the risk of importation and potential local transmission of COVID-19.
- COVID-19 Health screening was initiated on 24 January 2020 along with Measles screening at RMI International Airport and RMI seaport for all visitors to RMI. All arriving passengers and crew must complete a health screening form and are subject to health screening by our local health staff.
- After an initial issuance of a COVID-19 Travel Advisory on 24 January 2020, a second issuance of a travel advisory was issued in 31 January 2020 suspending persons from entering RMI via air or sea from Mainland China, Hong Kong and Macau effective 2 February – 2 March 2020
- Preparations being undertaken at the MoHHS to receive and care for critically ill suspect cases as Patients Under investigation (PUI).
- RMI National Disaster Committee (NDC) and Health Security Task Force met on 06 February 2020 to peer review advice for GRMI members and to provide technical expertise to the President & Cabinet.
- **A Proclamation Declaring State of Health Emergency due to the Global Public Health Emergency of International Concern on the 2019 Novel Coronavirus** signed by President David Kabua on 07 February 2020 temporarily restricts entry of travelers and sea vessels originating from or transiting through Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Macau. Proclamation has suspended all Government of RMI international travels until further notice.
- MOHHS urges the public to stay alert for signs and symptoms and continue practicing good cough and hand hygiene to help protect themselves from a getting a range of illnesses, including COVID-19.

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