Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Situation Report – 109 Timor-Leste



Data as reported by 21 July 2021

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Ministry of Health (MoH) reported 245 new cases of COVID-19 since the last time of reporting (14.07.2021) this takes the total tally of COVID-19 cases to 10,205. All patients are admitted to the designated isolation and treatment facilities at Vera Cruz, Tasitolu, Tibar, and other government identified isolation hotels. The MoH has also granted permission in some cases for home isolation. For more details, please see the epidemiological update section. The surveillance team, as per the national guideline is conducting further investigation and contact tracing. More details about the new cases can be found at the MoH's Facebook page, Palacio das Cinzas.
- WHO along with the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Social Communications, Director General of Health Services, Ministry of Health visited Aileu municipality, Lahae and Fatubossa villages to oversee COVID-19 vaccine campaign and participate in the ongoing advocacy among the communities.
- The MoH reported one additional COVID-19 death since the time of last reporting (05.07.2021). The COVID-19 death toll now stands at 26.

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

10205 confirmed (245 new) 9440 recovered (349 new) 739 active cases 26 deaths

(As per data released by the Ministry of Health)

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More information and guidance by WHO regarding the current COVID-19 outbreak can be found here.

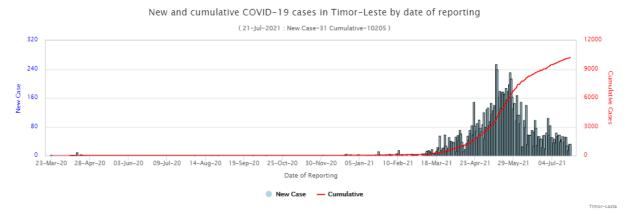
GLOBAL SITUATION IN NUMBERS Total (new) cases in last seven days

Globally

190 169 833 confirmed (3 429 645) 4 086 000 deaths (56 767)

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATES

• After a surge in the COVID-19 cases in March, it is now in a plateuing stage – nationally since early June 2021.



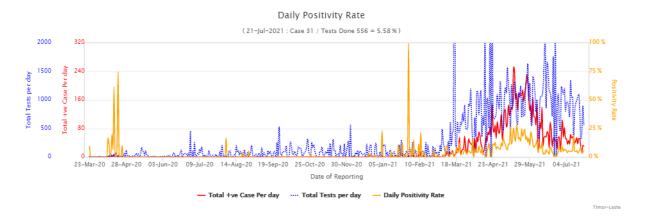
As of 21 July 2021, the country recorded 26 deaths and 10,205 cases of which 9,440 have recovered. Currently, there are 739 active cases in the isolation/treatment centres of Tasi Tolu, Vera Cruz and other facilities in Dili and the Municipalities or at home for isolation and follow up.

Distribution of newly reported, recovered and active cases by municipalities, as of 21 July 2021.

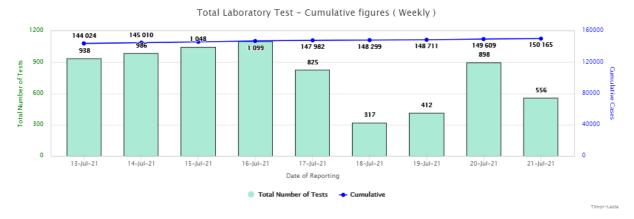
Municipality	New Case	Cumulative Case			New Deceased	Cumulative Deceased	Active Case	
Aileu	2	45	0	40	0	0	5	
Ainaro	0	57	0	48	0	0	9	
Baucau	1	697	9	600	0	0	97	
Bobonaro	0	262	1	227	0	3	32	
Covalima	0	247	1	196	0	0	51	
Dili	25	8140	26	7679	0	21	440	
Ermera	0	198	0	145	0	0	53	
Lautem	0	59	0	48	0	0	11	
Liquiça	0	27	0	25	0	1	1	
Manatuto	0	87	0	86	0	0	1	
Manufahi	0	75	0	75	0	0	0	
Oecusse	0	30	0	26	0	0	4	
Viqueque	3	281	13	232	0	1	35	
Total	31	10205	50	9440	0	26	739	

- As shown in the above table, majority of the cases (80%) are reported from Dili, followed by Baucau, Bobonaro, Viqueque, Covalima and Ermera. Of the 26 deaths 21 were from Dili, three from Bobonaro, one from Liquica, and one from Viqueque.
- The test positivity rate over the last 7 days stood at 5%, showing signs of control over the current surge, while test positive rate in Baucau showed 8% (compared to 11 % in previous reporting period). Strict adherence to public health and social measures (masking, hand

washing, physical distancing, and avoidance of mass gatherings) must continue while vaccine coverage is ramped up outside Dili.



• As of 21 July 2021, **150,165** PCR tests were done by the National Health Laboratory and referral hospital laboratories since the beginning of the response. The NHL now can return results within 24 hours of collecting the samples.



VACCINATION UPDATES

• At the time of writing this report (afternoon of 20th July 2021), in total, 314,220 COVID-19 vaccine doses comprising 252,318, first doses (coverage 33.4%) and 61,902, second doses (coverage 8.2%) have been administered in Timor-Leste. The breakdown of the number of doses administered and coverage by vaccine type and vaccine dose is given in Table 1.

Table 1: Number of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered and coverage in Dili and Timor-Leste by vaccine brand and doses

	Dose	AZ		S	V	Total	Coverage
	1 st Dose	226,702	(89.8%)	25,616	(10.%)*	252,318	33.4%
Timor-Leste	2 nd Dose	53,873	(87.0%)	8,029	(12.%)	61,902	8.2%
	Total	280,575	(89.2%)	33,645	(10.%)	314,220	
	1 st Dose	97,701	(79.3%)	25,397	(20.6%)	123,098	57.5%
Dili	2 nd Dose	41,221	(83.6%)	8,029	(16.3%)	49,250	23.0%
	Total	138,922	(80.6%)	33,426	(19.3%)	172,348	

Table 2: Number of individuals vaccinated and AEFI by sex as of 18.00 hrs 14/07/2021

			Number V	accinated			AEFI					
Municipality		First Dose		S	econd Dos	е	Male	Female	Total			
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	IVIAIC	remale				
Dili	70,031	53,067	123,098	29,026	20,224	49,250	2	8	10			
Aileu	3,466	2,250	5,716	514	224	738	0	0	0			
Ainaro	3,215	2,330	5,545	515	287	802	0	0	0			
Baucau	11,124	8,526	19,650	1,293	628	1,921	0	0	0			
Bobonaro	6,432	4,890	11,322	886	306	1,192	5	5	10			
Covalima	6,825	5,702	12,527	813	325	1,138	5	3	8			
Ermera	5,347	3,364	8,711	617	356	973	0	0	0			
Lautem	5,442	4,744	10,186	572	310	882	2	0	2			
Liquica	5,550	4,527	10,077	493	321	814	0	1	1			
Manatuto	4,382	3,309	7,691	548	206	754	0	0	0			
Manufahi	5,161	3,314	8,475	568	197	765	0	0	0			
Viqueque	9,234	8,279	17,513	848	289	1,137	0	0	0			
ZEEMS (Oecusse)	6,327	5,480	11,807	1,055	481	1,536	0	0	0			
Total (without Dili)	72,505	56,715	129,220	8,722	3,930	12,652	12	9	21			
Total (Timor-Leste)	142,536	109,782	252,318	37,748	24,154	61,902	14	17	31			

Figure 1: Daily progress of vaccination in Timor-Leste during last 14 days as of 19.00 hrs 20/07/2021

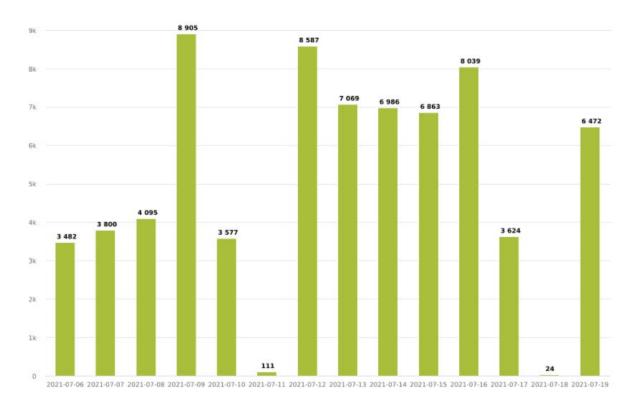


Table 3. Number of individuals among eligible population (18 years and above*) vaccinated in Timor-Leste with COVID-19 vaccine and coverage as of 1900hrs 20/07/2021

	Eli	gible Populati	on	Number vaccinated & Coverage											
				First Dose							Second Dose				
Municipality	High Risk Groups (20% Pop.)	18-59y no comorbidity (80% Pop.)	Total	High Risk Groups (20% Pop.)	Coverage	18-59y no comorbidity (80% Pop.)	Coverage	Total	Coverage	High Risk Groups (20% Pop.)	Coverage	18-59y no comorbidity (80% Pop.)	Coverage	Total	Coverage
Dili	29,980	183,822	213,802	46,898	156.4%	76,200	41.5%	123,098	57.6%	19,652	65.55%	29,598	16.10%	49,250	23.04%
Aileu	6,292	24,943	31,235	2,752	43.7%	2,964	11.88%	5,716	18.3%	703	11.17%	35	0.14%	738	2.36%
Ainaro	7,410	27,726	35,136	2,102	28.4%	3,443	12.42%	5,545	15.8%	746	10.07%	56	0.20%	802	2.28%
Baucau	18,141	55,175	73,316	7,946	43.8%	11,704	21.21%	19,650	26.8%	1,763	9.72%	158	0.29%	1921	2.62%
Bobonaro	13,268	43,476	56,744	6,340	47.8%	4,982	11.46%	11,322	20.0%	1,145	8.63%	47	0.11%	1192	2.10%
Covalima	8,725	31,503	40,228	6,098	69.9%	6,429	20.41%	12,527	31.1%	1,103	12.64%	35	0.11%	1138	2.83%
Ermera	14,350	60,793	75,143	4,016	28.0%	4,695	7.72%	8,711	11.6%	853	5.94%	120	0.20%	973	1.29%
Lautem	8,455	27,963	36,418	3,859	45.6%	6,327	22.63%	10,186	28.0%	709	8.39%	173	0.62%	882	2.42%
Liquica	9,588	35,597	45,185	2,664	27.8%	7,413	20.82%	10,077	22.3%	628	6.55%	186	0.52%	814	1.80%
Manatuto	6,701	21,718	28,419	3,189	47.6%	4,502	20.73%	7,691	27.1%	645	9.63%	109	0.50%	754	2.65%
Manufahi	7,595	25,766	33,361	4,134	54.4%	4,341	16.85%	8,475	25.4%	608	8.01%	157	0.61%	765	2.29%
Viqueque	9,408	32,534	41,942	6,650	70.7%	10,863	33.39%	17,513	41.8%	1,028	10.93%	109	0.34%	1137	2.71%
ZEEMS (Oecusse)	11,034	32,905	43,939	6,931	62.8%	4,876	14.82%	11,807	26.9%	1,494	13.54%	42	0.13%	1,536	3.50%
Total (without Dili)	120,967	420,098	541,065	56,681	46.9%	72,539	17.27%	129,220	23.9%	11,425	9.44%	1,227	0.00%	12,652	2.34%
Total (Timor-Leste)	150,947	603,920	754,867	103,579	68.6%	148,739	24.63%	252,318	33.4%	31,077	20.59%	30,825	5.10%	61,902	8.20%

^{*}Based on 2021 population projections. Population with Comorbidity 12.5% among 30-59y based on 2016 DHS data
High Risk Groups (20% of the popyulation) - Healthcare staff, other front line staff, aged 60y and above, and 18-59y with comorbidity
18-59y with no comorbidity (80% of the population)

Total Vaccinated (both doses) 314,220

Table 4: Number of COVID-19 vaccine doses distributed, administered, and remaining in Timor-Leste as of 1900hrs 20/07/2021

Municipality	High Risk Groups (20% Pop.)	18-59y no comorbidity (80% Pop.)	Taerget Population	Doses distributed	Doses administered	Doses remaining	
Dili	29,980	183,822	213,802	268,959	172,348	96,611	
Aileu	6,292	24,943	31,235	10,186	6,454	3,732	
Ainaro	7,410	27,726	35,136	10,484	6,347	4,137	
Baucau	18,141	55,175	73,316	30,482	21,571	8,911	
Bobonaro	13,268	43,476	56,744	22,894	12,514	10,380	
Covalima	8,725	31,503	40,228	41,214	13,665	27,549	
Ermera	14,350	60,793	75,143	16,895	9,684	7,211	
Lautem	8,455	27,963	36,418	14,679	11,068	3,611	
Liquica	9,588	35,597	45,185	13,449	10,891	2,558	
Manatuto	6,701	21,718	28,419	14,414	8,445	5,969	
Manufahi	7,595	25,766	33,361	13,812	9,240	4,572	
Viqueque	9,408	32,534	41,942	26,965	18,650	8,315	
ZEEMS (Oecusse)	11,034	32,905	43,939	23,688	13,343	10,345	
Total (without Dili)	120,967	420,098	541,065	239,162	141,872	97,290	
Total (Timor-Leste)	150,947	603,920	754,867	508,121	314,220	193,901	

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WHO TIMOR-LESTE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- Interrupt human-to-human transmission including reducing secondary infections among close contacts and health care workers, preventing transmission amplification events.
- Strengthening of surveillance systems and increasing laboratory capacity to detect COVID-19 cases.
- Ensuring adherence to the strictest standards of infection prevention and control (IPC) and increase capacity for IPC.
- Identify, isolate, and care for patients early, including providing optimized care for infected patients.
- Communicate critical risk and event information to all communities and counter misinformation.
- Minimize social and economic impact through multisectoral partnerships.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL MEASURES

Wash your hands frequently

Regularly and thoroughly clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water.

Why? Washing your hands with soap and water or using alcohol-based hand rub kills viruses that may be on your hands.

Maintain physical distancing

Maintain at least 1 metre (3 feet) distance between yourself and others.

Why? When someone coughs or sneezes, they spray small liquid droplets from their nose or mouth which may contain virus. If you are too close, you can breathe in the droplets, including the COVID-19 virus if the person coughing is infected.

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Why? If when you're in a setting where maintaining the physical distance of 1 meter or more is not possible due to the space constraint, then it is imperative that you use a face mask as it can help in stopping the transmission of COVID-19

Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth

Why? Hands touch many surfaces and can pick up viruses. Once contaminated, hands can transfer the virus to your eyes, nose or mouth. From there, the virus can enter your body and make you sick.

Practice respiratory hygiene

Make sure you, and the people around you, follow good respiratory hygiene. This means covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze. Then dispose of the used tissue safely immediately.

Why? Droplets spread virus. By following good respiratory hygiene, you protect the people around you from viruses such as cold, flu and COVID-19.

If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early

Stay home if you feel unwell. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance. Follow the directions of health authorities.

Why? Calling in advance will allow your health care provider to quickly direct you to the right health facility. This will also protect you and help prevent spread of viruses and other infections.

Stay informed and follow advice given by your healthcare provider

Stay informed on the latest developments about COVID-19. Follow advice given by your healthcare provider, your national and local public health authority, or your employer on how to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.

Why? National and local authorities will have the most up to date information on whether COVID-19 is spreading in your area. They are best placed to advise on what people in your area should be doing to protect themselves.

Protect ourselves and our loved ones against #COVID19:

- Wash your hands frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Avoid touching your face
- Avoid crowded places and limit time in enclosed spaces
- Keep a distance of at least 1 metre from others
- Use of mask is imperative when physical-distancing is not possible.
- Regularly clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Isolate yourself from others if feeling unwell and seek care, if needed

More guidance on preventive measures is available here.

COVID-19 Information and media queries:

- The MoH has established a hotline number 119 for COVID-19 on which people can call to get any COVID-19 related information.
- Additionally, <u>MoH Facebook page</u> provides timely updates on COVID-19 developments in the country.
- WHO Timor-Leste through its <u>Facebook page</u> and <u>Twitter handle</u> also disseminates information on preventive measures, questions and answers, myth-busters and latest updates on COVID-19 globally and nationally. For media queries and interviews requests can be sent to <u>singhsho@who.int</u> and <u>hasane@who.int</u>