

# Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

## Situation Report 29 Philippines 8 May 2020

Data reported by the Department of Health on 8 May 2020

### Highlights

- **Out of the total 10,463 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 54% are male, with the most affected age group 30-39 years (21.3%) followed by 20-29 (16.9%)**
- **64.9% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by Central Visayas (13.5%), CALABARZON (12.1%), and Central Luzon (3.8%).**
- **Out of the 696 confirmed deaths, 65% are male, with the most affected age group over 70 years (36.6%) followed by 60-69 years (32.6%)**
- **71.8% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by CALABARZON (12.3%) and Central Luzon (4.1%)**
- **The current transmission classification in the Philippines is identified as clusters of cases with evidence of community transmission in highly urbanised areas of NCR, Cebu and Davao**
- **61% of newly reported cases from Cebu city**
- **According to the Department of Health (DOH) among all confirmed cases, 86.7% are mild**
- **In spite of continued enhanced community quarantine in most affected regions in the country, several barangays are reporting a large increase in cases, resulting in local authorities to issue total lockdowns in Barangay Mauway in Mandaluyong (NCR) and Sitio Alaska in Barangay Mambaling in Cebu city**
- **Over 7,000 COVID-19 tests per day conducted by 23 accredited laboratories throughout the country using PCR test. No rapid antibody test kit has as yet been validated by WHO or DOH.**

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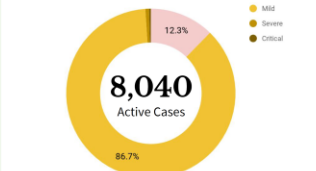
#### Highlights and Recent Updates on COVID-19

- DOH recorded **8,040 active cases** as of May 06, with the majority of the patients exhibiting **mild symptoms** (6,967, 86.2%).
- **Twenty-three (23) licensed laboratories** across the country are now equipped to perform the RT-PCR tests while six (6) and thirty two (30) are on Stage 4 and Stage 3 accreditation, respectively.
- Overall capacity to manage and admit COVID patients is still sufficient with **more than 50% mechanical ventilators and beds in ICU, isolation, and COVID wards available** based on information gathered from DOHDataCollect App.
- Dr. Katherine Reyes of UP Manila College of Public Health emphasized the **six areas of health systems as means of preparations during the pandemic**: (1) surveillance, (2) communications, (3) workforce, (4) infrastructure and medical supplies, (5) governance, and (6) trust.
- Dr. Reyes pointed out that the slowdown in the doubling of cases will help the country prepare once the ECQ is lifted. She warned that the public **must stay vigilant and not be complacent**.
- DOH highlighted that those with mild symptoms being treated at home shall make it a priority to have a **healthy, balanced diet as well as regular intake of prescribed medication**.
- DOH reiterates that the New Normal setting urges the public to **remain vigilant about their health and to adopt hand washing, physical distancing, wearing of face masks and cough etiquette as part of their lifestyle**.

#### Case Summary As of May 07, 2020

<b>10,343</b> Total Cases	<b>10,004</b> Previous day	<b>339</b> Additional Cases
<b>1,618</b> Recoveries	<b>112</b> Deaths	<b>685</b> Deaths
<b>8,040</b> Active Cases (net of recoveries and deaths)		

#### Active Cases Breakdown



<b>989</b> Asymptomatic	<b>679</b> Pending Admission Status	<b>168</b> Admitted	<b>142</b> Home Isolation
<b>6,967</b> Mild	<b>5,550</b> Pending Admission Status	<b>1,279</b> Admitted	<b>138</b> Home Isolation
<b>56</b> Severe		<b>28</b> Critical	

#### Probable Cases

<b>3,173</b> Total Cases
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SEVERE: Pneumonia, Difficulty of Breathing  
CRITICAL: Intubated

#### Suspect Cases

<b>16,446</b> Total Cases
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PROBABLE: Previously termed as PUIs (mild or critical) with inconclusive or unofficial test results.  
SUSPECT CASES: Previously termed as PUIs (mild or critical) with no test done or awaiting test results.

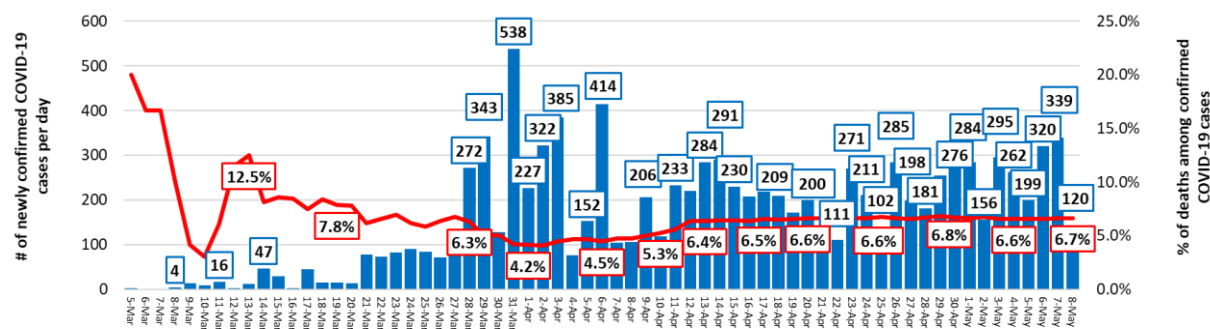
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## Current Situation

As of 8 May, a total of 10,463 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 696 deaths have been reported in the Philippines.

### Daily reported confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines

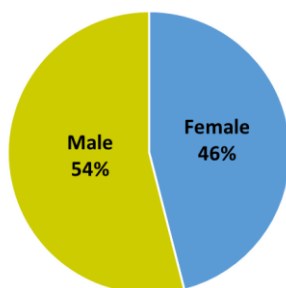
5 March-8 May 2020 (N=10,463)



Among the 10,463 confirmed cases, 5,650 are male (54%) and 4,813 are female (46%). The most affected age groups are 30-39 years (21.3%) followed by 20-29 (16.9%).

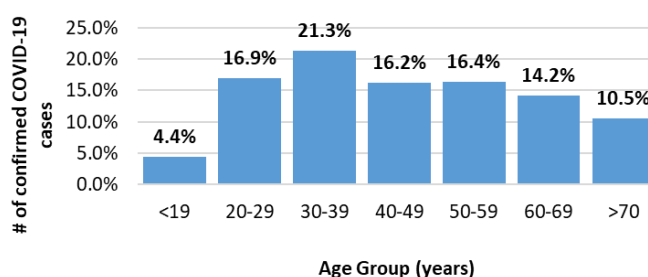
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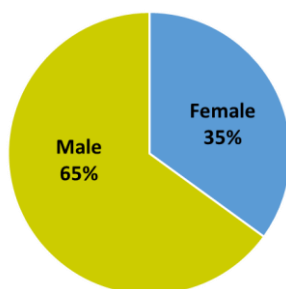
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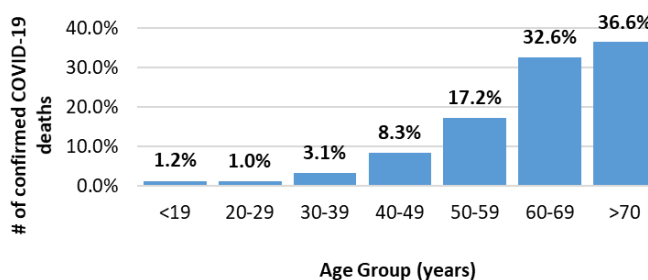
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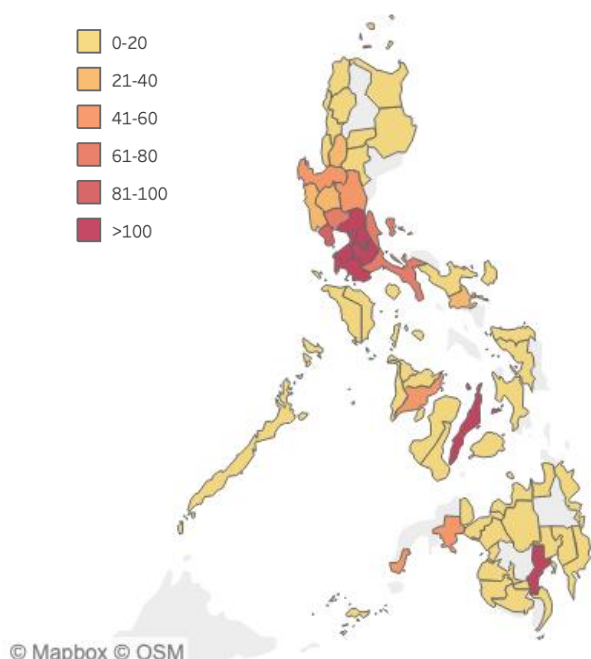


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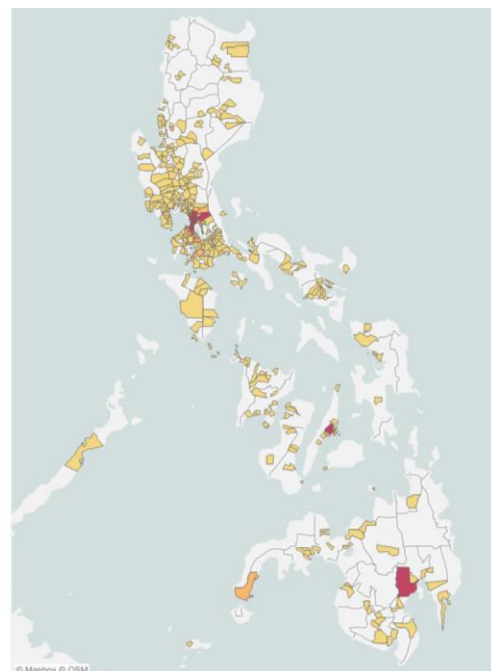
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**Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by province**  
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## Country readiness and response operations

### Country-level coordination

The Philippines has been included in the revised version of the Global Humanitarian Response Plan (GHRP) for COVID-19 issued by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA).

The GHRP aims to raise 923 million USD for a total of 63 countries, including 96.2 million USD for the Philippines, out of which 23.3 million USD for health. Details will be released soon in the updated version of the Philippine-specific Humanitarian Country Team (HCT) response plan with inputs from all clusters, including health.

The updated version of the GHRP can be downloaded [here](#), as well as its [annexes](#).

The latest DOH situationers are available here:

- [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer010](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer010) 7 May 2020
- [bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer011](https://bit.ly/COVIDPHSituationer011) 8 May 2020

### Risk communication

UNICEF is reaching families and caregivers nationwide, especially in BARMM, with key messages on the importance of continuing immunization, infection prevention and control, guidance for online safety and protection of children from all forms of violence and abuse amid the pandemic, through:

- Radio public service announcements and short radio dramas: Potentially reached about 500,000 people in Metro Manila, Antique, Capiz, Sorsogon, and Kidapawan through Caritas Philippines; and about 30M people through Far East Broadcasting Network (FEBC).
  - Radio PSA [link](#)
  - Short radio drama [link](#)
- 13.3 million people were reached through the UNICEF Facebook page for all COVID-19 posts; with 9.76 million people reached by a single post





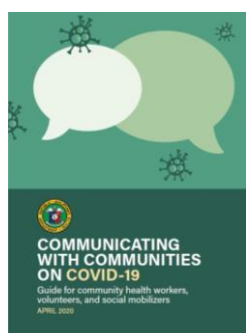
- 4 million people were reached through the DOH Facebook page for all recently uploaded DOH-UNICEF-USAID infographic videos on preventive actions, mental health, staying safe when outside the home, preventing the spread of fake news, and what to do when symptoms occur; with 1.1 million people reached by a single post

Infographic videos can be downloaded [here](#)

- SMS blasts sent to 66.8 million people via Smart Communications with messages on COVID-19
- Six posters on the use of PPEs are being distributed to all 17 local government units in NCR to be downloaded [here](#)

UNICEF has been gathering voices from affected communities, frontline health workers and children to share to a wider audience and promote awareness for the COVID-19 impact at the community level.

UNICEF continues to engage families and their children with webinars, Facebook live events and online activities such as the recent #LearningAtHome series on Facebook.



Communicating with Communities guide for community health workers finalized and uploaded in the DOH COVID-19 microsite: <https://covid19.healthypilipinas.ph/resources/educational-materials/communicating-with-communities-on-covid-19-guide-for-community-health-workers>

This is planned to benefit all health workers and frontline workers nationwide. A webinar based on the guide is currently being planned with DOH and partners. The Filipino version is also being finalized for printing.

UNICEF is furthermore developing the following training videos for community health workers:

- Risk Communication and Community Engagement
- IPC for home and community settings
- Infection prevention and control for hospital settings
- Cleaning and disinfecting in primary health care facilities

## Surveillance

ICRC handed over a 150-bed medical isolation facility (with surge capacity for 280) at New Mandaue City Jail in Region 7 (Cebu). This is the fifth operational medical Isolation center ICRC has supported authorities with. A sixth center with 80 beds is being set up in Region 4a, while the NCR facility will be expanded to 200 beds.

Ongoing collaboration continues in Region 7 between ICRC, regional and local authorities, BJMP and the Philippines Red Cross (PRC) with mass testing of People Deprived of Liberty (PDLs), case management and infection prevention control.

ICRC accompanied DOH and WHO in its outbreak investigation to different prisons in Cebu.



ICRC facilitated DOH in strengthening of its surveillance system for places of detention. In cooperation with the PDRF (plane), ICRC also supported the transport of three BJMP nurses to Cebu.



### National laboratory system

The list of laboratories certified to conduct COVID-19 testing by DOH expanded to 23. The latest laboratory added is the Cebu TB Reference Laboratory. The total daily testing capacity is estimated at 13,000 per day, with actual daily tests fluctuating due to continued shortages of supplies.

WHO is concerned about the reported increase in the use of commercially available rapid antibody tests, whereas up to today, WHO nor DOH have validated any rapid test as sufficiently reliable. DOH and WHO emphasize that PCR-based testing continues to be the gold standard for COVID-19.

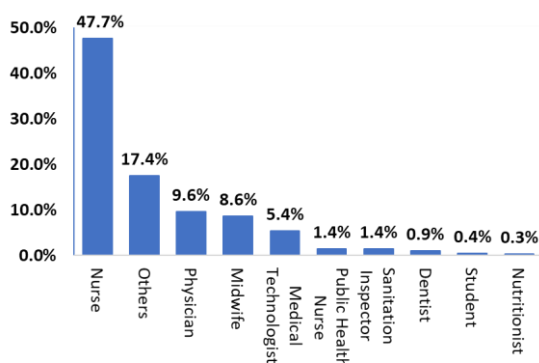
Private sector is stepping up its support to source urgently needed laboratory supplies, which are difficult to obtain due to global shortages.

### Infection prevention and control

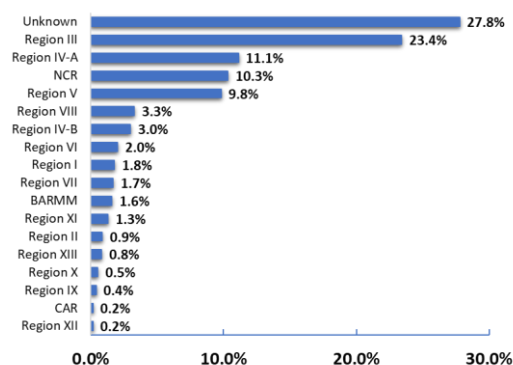
A total of 1,934 health care workers have so far tested positive for COVID-19, including 34 deaths. WHO emphasizes the importance of proper adherence IPC and PPE use, as well as the need for special surveillance and contact tracing for health care workers at hospital level.

Online IPC trainings are continuing for both hospital workers and community health workers. Out of the total estimated 5,500 people trained, the majority are nurses (47.7%), and the most of people trained originated from Region III (23.4%).

IPC trainings per profession



IPC trainings per region



The USAID-funded Medicines, Technologies, and Pharmaceutical Services (MTaPS) program continue to conduct online training sessions for hospitals workers on the below modules. Anyone can sign up for free at [landing page for the virtual training](#)

- Module 1: IPC for Frontline Healthcare Workers in Facility (every Monday and Wednesday)
- Module 2: Healthcare Waste Management (every Tuesday and Thursday)
- Module 3: Emergency Supply Chain Management Preparedness and Response Training (every Wednesday and Friday)

UNICEF continues to conduct online training sessions on IPC for community health workers. Anyone can sign up for free at <https://forms.gle/WAVzGvMFC4geofdU9>.

UNICEF is organizing regular webinars on Cleaning and Disinfection for LGUs and Communities. Anyone can sign up for free at [https://unicef.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_nPRF-cDV8R9mC1soQjOCjTQ](https://unicef.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_nPRF-cDV8R9mC1soQjOCjTQ)





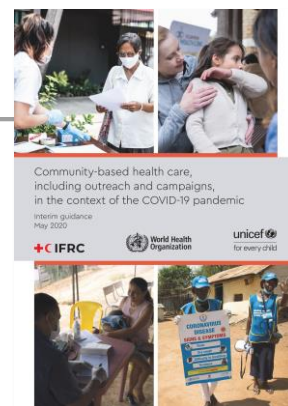
## Case management and continuity of essential services

WHO, UNICEF and IFRC jointly developed the **Community-based health care, including outreach and campaigns in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic Interim Guidance** on 5 May 2020 available at <https://www.who.int/publications-detail/community-based-health-care-including-outreach-and-campaigns-in-the-context-of-the-covid-19-pandemic>

Webinar series on Child Protection in COVID-19 jointly organized by UNICEF, DSWD, and PRC for social workers and community service providers composed of five modules:

- Module 1: Mental Health and Psychosocial Support
- Module 2: Gender Based Violence (GBV)
- Module 3: Case Management for Violence Against Children (VAC), GBV, Protection against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA), Online Sexual Abuse and Exploitation of Children (OSAEC)
- Module 4: VAC and PSEA
- Module 5: Parenting in the context of COVID pandemic

For details and registration: [https://unicef.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_bkHq4NjnQjiG3YwJ7W0G8w](https://unicef.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bkHq4NjnQjiG3YwJ7W0G8w)



The medical team of the government-run Sta. Ana Hospital in Manila receive a tent from UNICEF to be used in triage or as a holding area for COVID-19 cases.



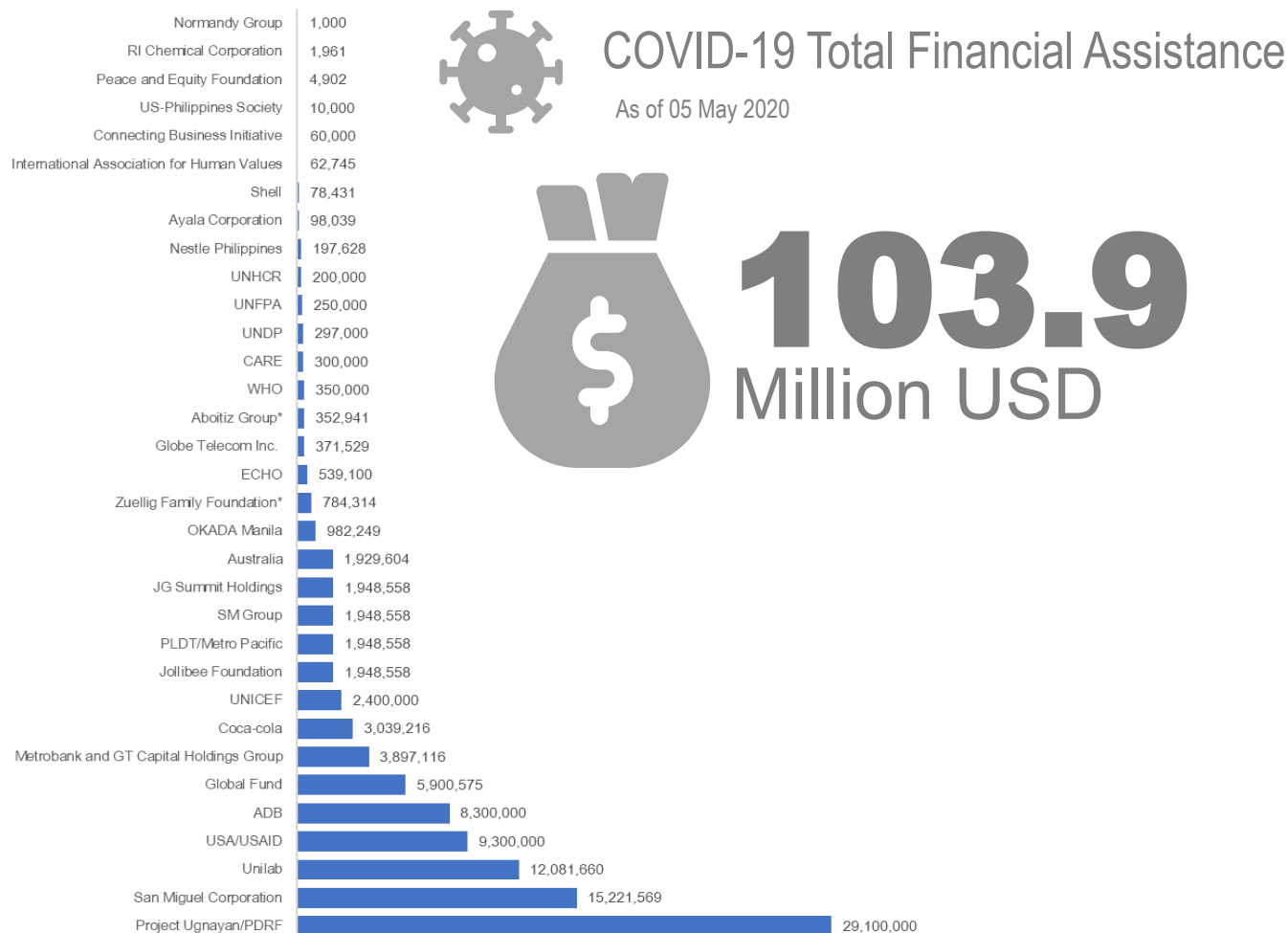
Sta. Ana Hospital director Dr. Grace Padilla (center) welcomes UNICEF during a visit to the hospital.



## Resource mobilization

### Grant

Overall donations received to date (data compiled by OCHA):

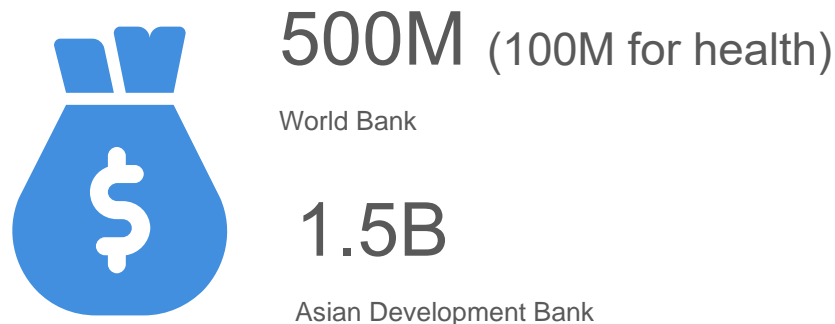


Please see for details of all items distributed so far by DOH: <https://bit.ly/DOHCommDistribution>.

As of 6 May, WHO received more than US\$ 451.4 million and an additional US\$ 280.2 million in pledges to its global appeal. This includes €114 million from the European Union to support 80 priority countries with weakened health care systems and capacity including the Philippines.

The French government through its Development Agency AFD donated €2 million to fight COVID-19 in Southeast Asia.

### Loan



**Logistics, procurement, and supply management**

Who	What	Delivered	Expected
ADB	Laboratory facility for 45,000 tests	1	
Americares	N95 masks	40,620	16,300
	Surgical masks	4,000	
Chinese government	COVID-19 test kits	100,000	
	PPE (full set minus goggles)	10,000	
	N95 masks	10,000	
	Surgical masks	100,000	
IAHV	N95/KN95 Masks	34,922	
IMC	PPE (full set)	200	
	Surgical gowns	4,765	
	Examination gloves	33,869	
	Surgical masks	206,000	
	Goggles	30	
	Cot beds	10	
	Electric fans	20	
Japan government	PPE	12,000	
PRC	Medical tents for isolation and treatment	30	
	Face masks	36,000	
	PPE (full set)	2,000	
	Medical supplies, masks, alcohol, food	6 Manila hospitals	
Samaritan's Purse	Medical tents for isolation and treatment		3
	PPE		1,500
UNDP	Ventilators		15
UNFPA	Face masks	110,000	
	Handheld thermometers	1,130	
	PPE (full set)	254,839	131,516
	Medical Triage Tents and equipment sets	4	2
	Hygiene kits for women	750	350
	Clean delivery packs		500
	Women Friendly Space Tents	1	2
	Women and Child Protection Unit equipment	1	
UNICEF	Tents for triage and isolation purposes 42 m <sup>2</sup>	44	
	Coverall, protection, CatIII, type 4b		72,380
	Faceshield, fog-resistant, fullface, disp		33,000
	Mask, high-fil, FFP2/N95, no valve, nonster		48,000
	Mask, surgic, typeIIIR, ear loop, disp.		409,200
	Gloves, w/opowder, nitr		100,000
	Gloves, heavy-duty, rubber/nitrile		1,000
	Goggles, protective, indirect-side-venti		500
	Apron, protection, plastic, reusable		500
	Boots, rubber/PVC, reusable, pair		500
	Sprayer, compression type, 7.4 litres		160
	Sanitation and cleaning kit		500
US government	Cots	1,300	
WFP	Mobile Storage Unit	3	
	50 kVA generator	2	
	Shower/toilet unit	1	
WHO (with USAID fund- ing)	<b>Laboratory supplies</b>		
	<i>E-gene EAV kits</i>	335	
	<i>RdRP-gene kits</i>	99	
	<i>N gene/E gene/RdRp gene vials</i>	12	7
	<i>Sanger sequencing reagents vials</i>	3	
	<i>Universal Transport Media viral kit</i>	4,350	10,000
	<i>Flexible Mini Tip</i>	2,000	10,000
	<b>Extraction kits</b>		
	<i>QIAgen QIamp RNA Kit</i>	24	36
	<i>SuperScript III Platinum One-step qRT-PCR</i>	15	24
World Vision	Mobile Storage Unit 10 x 32m	4	
	Tents (child-friendly space) 7 x 6m	17	
	PPE (full set)	458	
	Disinfectant kits	30	