



Asia Pacific Regional Situation Report

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Situation Overview

COVID-19 Cases: 1,267,580
COVID-19 Deaths: 34,640

Countries across the Asia Pacific are beginning to ease lockdowns due to an overall slowing trend of COVID-19 cases. Phased reopening is being rolled out in many areas as countries return to some sense of normalcy. However, this is not the case for all countries. The region continues to see a spike in confirmed COVID-19 cases in countries like India (849,553) and Indonesia (74,018) according to the [WHO](#). World Vision remains vigilant and is monitoring the situation to respond to the continuing spread.

World Vision across the Asia Pacific has started to conduct lessons learned workshops to identify the key learnings, best practices and challenges from its COVID-19 emergency response and is documenting these learnings to inform future responses. For example, in Bangladesh, the collaboration between humanitarian and development programming, at levels and functions within the organisation (whole office approach) and other key external stakeholders was widely celebrated. The Bangladesh field office was able to identify best practices and learning which will inform their next early recovery phase of programme designing and operation.

(COVID-19 case and death figures for 18 countries. Source: WHO, 13 July 2020)

World Vision is responding to the impact of COVID-19 in 17 countries in the Asia Pacific, especially in places where children and families are most vulnerable.



People Reached:

11,847,780

Men 3,173,507 Women 3,387,810

Children 5,287,711

Boys 2,689,148 Girls 2,598,563

(Based on figures as of 10 July 2020)

Key Messages



Asia is facing twin health and economic crises. Healthcare access is a significant challenge, both due to virus dynamics and the subsequent pressure on the healthcare system. Financial resources to pay for food, transportation and healthcare are difficult to obtain with widespread job losses. Boys and girls equally suffer from anxiety, loneliness and boredom and may experience more violence and abuse at home. Their parents and caregivers have given clear signals that dealing with changing behaviours of their children is difficult. And now with lockdowns easing, more challenges abound for Asia's children.



Measures taken by governments and partners during the crisis need to lay the foundation for long-term improvements in the social safety net and essential public services. Given the stakes, such desperate times call for bold solutions. We can do no less for Asia's children.

Achievements



World Vision Asia Pacific has released its report [Unmasking the impact of COVID-19 on Asia's most vulnerable children](#), featuring recovery assessment data from nine countries, including recommendations to governments, multi-lateral partners and implementing agencies.



RESPONSE GOAL

To limit the spread of COVID-19 and reduce its impact on vulnerable children and families

Strategic Objectives



1. Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of disease



2. Strengthen health systems and workers



3. Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through education, child protection, food security, and livelihoods



4. Collaborate and advocate to ensure vulnerable children are protected

OBJECTIVE 1: Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of COVID-19



4,914,223

People reached through promotion of preventive behaviours



1,638,982

Information, education, and communication materials printed and



3,642,214

Community members provided preventive materials



579,348

Handwashing supplies distributed



1,403,788

Comprehensive hygiene kits distributed



3,855

Cleaning kits distributed to vulnerable communities



10,700

Community-level public handwashing stations established or maintained



128

Water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities constructed or rehabilitated



4,370

Faith leaders disseminating preventive measures

(Based on figures as of 10 July 2020)

OBJECTIVE 2: Strengthen health systems and workers



9,881

Community health workers trained and supported



68,700

Medical personnel provided personal protective equipment (PPE)



2,651,060

Masks distributed, including to health facilities, health workers and communities



592,465

Glove sets distributed, including to health facilities, health workers and communities



1,588

Medical facilities assisted



100,810

Disinfectant kits distributed to health care facilities



6,413

People supported with the securing of safe quarantine and/or isolation spaces



244

Quarantine and isolation spaces supported, rehabilitated or set-up



1,373

People provided transportation support

(Based on figures as of 10 July 2020)

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



(Based on figures as of 10 July 2020)

OBJECTIVE 4: Collaborate and advocate to ensure vulnerable children are protected



**Examples of Tier 1 and Tier 2 stakeholders include WFP, WHO, Global Fund, UNICEF, UNHRC, UNOCHA, and national governments*

(Based on figures as of 10 July 2020)



Mongolia: World Vision has distributed food and health packages to 1,000 vulnerable households in Bagakhangai, Bayangol, Bayanzurkh and Sukhbaatar districts in order to protect them from the adverse impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
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