



Situation Summary

- **Out of total 387,161 confirmed cases reported in the Philippines until today, 55% are male, with the most affected age group 20-29 years (26.5%) followed by 30-39 years (24%).**
- **48% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by CALABARZON (18%), Central Visayas (6.1%), and Central Luzon (5.9%). Largest increase in new cases from NCR.**
- **Out of 7,318 confirmed deaths, 61% are male, with the most affected age group aged over 70 (34.4%) followed by 60-69 years (27.5%)**
- **45.8% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by Central Visayas (18%), CALABARZON (11.7%), and Western Visayas (5.7%). Largest increase in new deaths from NCR.**
- **Department of Health (DOH) and WHO emphasizing the need for compliance to, and proper implementation of, national guidelines at LGU level**
- **99.1% of health facilities daily reporting to DOH's DataCollectApp showing 38.6% occupancy rate of ward, ICU and isolation beds for COVID-19 patients nationally. In NCR, out of 161 health facilities, 38.8% of dedicated COVID-19 beds are occupied. In CALABARZON, 222 health facilities report 44.8% occupancy rate of dedicated COVID-19 beds.**
- **Currently 121 laboratories using RT-PCR are accredited for COVID-19 testing, as well as 36 laboratories using GeneXpert.**

PHILIPPINES SITUATION IN NUMBERS



Upcoming Events and Priorities

Instead of testing all evacuees for COVID-19 before they go back to their communities, symptoms screening and monitoring were recommended by the DOH as resources cannot meet the ideal setup. Because the government does not have the resources to test all evacuees for the virus, concerned barangay health emergency response teams (BHERTs) in affected areas must be mobilized to do the symptoms screening instead in a bid to prevent the spread of the virus. Aside from symptoms screening, the department also recommended the assignment of a safety officer in evacuation areas to monitor evacuees who are exhibiting symptoms and handle their transfer to a separate evacuation site.

Power outages caused by this year's strongest storm in the country might affect the efficacy of vaccines and coronavirus testing paraphernalia, which need to be frozen. TY Rolly (international name: GONI), a super typhoon at its peak, killed at least 16 people as it caused flooding and landslides, destroyed houses, and toppled power lines in the hardest-hit areas where hundreds of thousands fled their homes over the weekend. Six power plants in Luzon went on emergency shutdown to avoid typhoon damage and disconnection from the power grid, while 3 others are undergoing restoration. The entire Bicol region is still without power.

National Transmission Assessment

At national level, the Philippines remains in **Stage 2, localised community transmission** with some geographic areas showing higher transmission intensity and indications of wide spread community transmission. There is ongoing evidence of an increasing trend in the number of cases and higher transmission in Region 3 and Region 4A, and a decreasing trend in the NCR. At national level, the bed occupancy rate for COVID-19 allocated beds is currently at 38.6% occupancy, with variation between Regions. Additional beds are being allocated for COVID-19 cases, as per the direction of the government. In the past weeks there seem to have been a decrease in daily reported cases, deaths and recoveries by as much as 25%. Recently DOH has changed the reporting of recovered cases based on the national criteria. Mild and asymptomatic cases are tagged as recovered 14 days after onset or specimen collection. Additional data validation and harmonisation efforts are ongoing. The government is responding across sectors, including through enhanced community engagement, targeted isolation and quarantine measures, expansion of contact tracing and continuous increase in laboratory capacity.

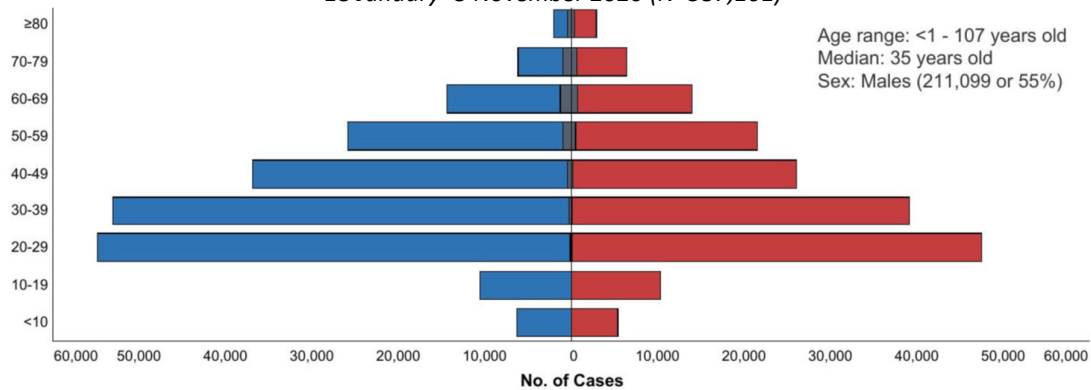
Epidemiology

As of 3 Nov, a total of 387,161 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 7,318 deaths have been reported in the Philippines. The proportion of deaths among COVID-19 confirmed cases is now 1.89%.

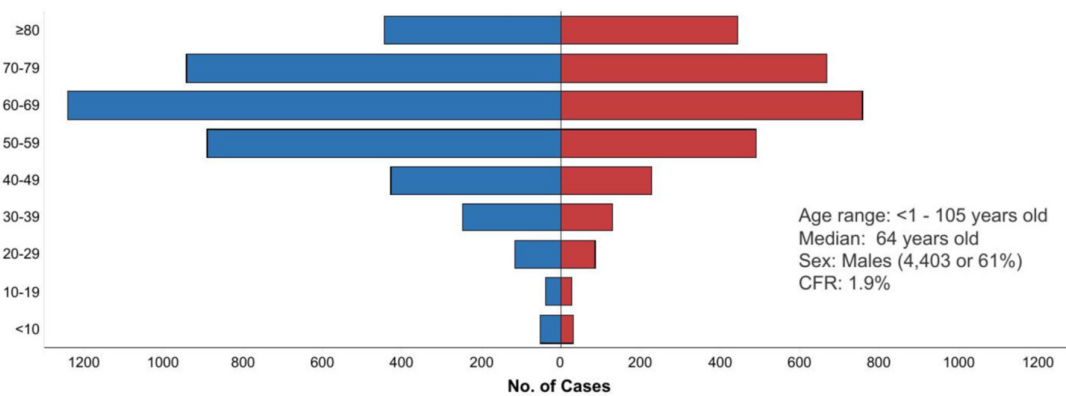
Epidemiological Update COVID-19	Tests	Cases	Deaths	ICU
	230,126	14,017	265	44.8%
	Tests past 7 days	New cases past 7 days	Deaths past 7 days	ICU Utilization Rate past 7 days
Data reported on 2 Nov 2020 compared with data reported on 27 Oct 2020	4,584,059	387,161	7,318	1,916
(% difference compared to previous 7 days)	Cumulative Unique Individuals Tested	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	COVID-19 ICU beds
	9.6%			
	Positivity rate			
Health Service Provision COVID-19	14,757	302	1,271	19,956
	Health care workers trained on IPC	Healthcare worker cases reported past 7 days	Hospitals admitting COVID-19 patients	Non-ICU Hospital beds
	11,333			168,835
	Community workers trained on IPC			Hospital beds in TTMF

Age distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %

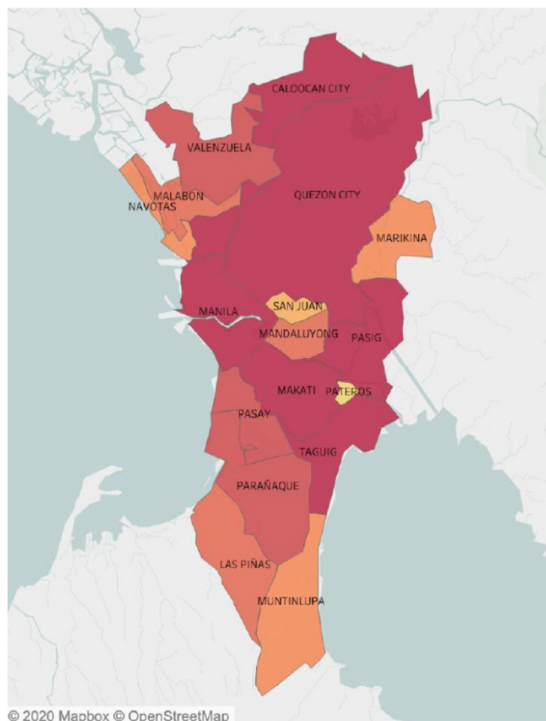
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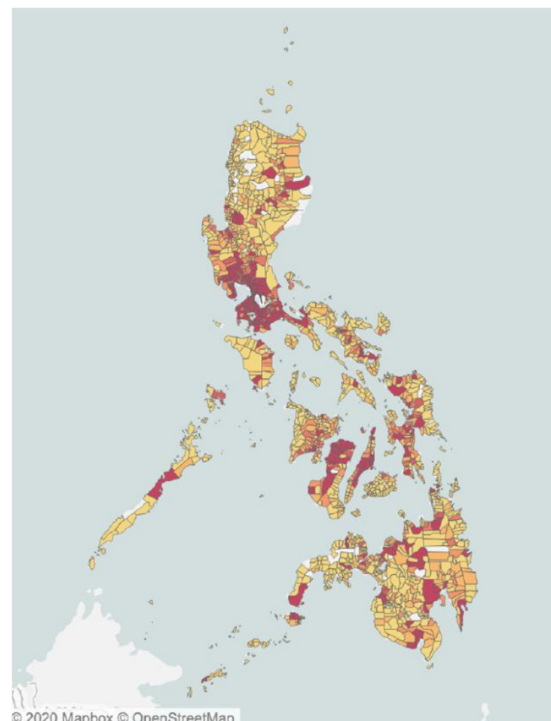
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**Map of COVID-19 cases in NCR by city/municipality**

18 January-3 November 2020 (N=387,161)

**Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by city/municipality**

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Strategic Approach

The DOH is hopeful that the entire country would be able to shift to more lenient quarantine protocols by the first quarter of 2021, should local government units be able to sufficiently comply with standards on prevention, contact tracing and treatment. The government has set milestones and "safeguard conditions" which would serve a local government unit's metric to shift to modified general community quarantine - the most lenient of the 4 quarantine classifications in the government's pandemic response protocol. LGUs should have self-sufficient contact tracing protocols and have enough resources to prevent, treat, and isolate possible COVID-19 cases.

Business establishments under Category III in areas placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) and Modified GCQ are now allowed to operate at 75 percent and 100 percent capacity, respectively, as the government relaxes restrictions to further open the struggling economy. eight specific economic activities are allowed to increase their operating capacities beginning Nov. 1, 2020. These are: testing, tutorial, and review centers, gym, fitness centers, and sports facilities, internet cafés, dermatological clinics offering aesthetic procedures, full body massage, pet grooming services, drive-in cinemas, and travel agencies, tour operators, reservation service, and related activities. The easing of restrictions for these business establishments is conditioned on their compliance with the minimum public health and safety standards and protocols set by the government. The minimum health protocols known as the 7 Commandments, include wearing of proper face masks; wearing of face shields; no talking and no eating in public transportation and similar settings like confined areas and crowded places; adequate ventilation (use of exhaust systems, air purifiers or keeping windows partially open); frequent and proper disinfection; symptomatic or COVID-19 positive must be isolated; and appropriate physical distancing.

Laboratory strengthening

There are currently 112 laboratories certified to conduct COVID-19 testing by DOH using RT-PCR technology, as well as 36 laboratories using GeneXpert, with an additional 96 public and private laboratories under assessment.

Best Practices / Lessons Learned

UNICEF

Caring for Caregivers

A webinar series to support and empower caregivers and families of children with disabilities to better respond to challenges

Session 4: Experiences of Siblings of Children with Disabilities during COVID-19 and other Emergencies

Thursday | October 29, 2020
04:00 - 06:30 PM

Sign Language Interpretation (SLI) will be available

Register at: <https://bit.ly/3fzeFhh>
Those who registered in the previous session are requested to register again.



Community Support

UNICEF supports the empowerment of caregivers and families of children with disabilities in responding to the pandemic challenges through its webinar series 'Caring for the Caregivers.' The latest session was held on 29 October and focused on 'Experiences of Siblings of Children with Disabilities during COVID-19 and other Emergencies.' The webinar has reached over 9,000 users on Facebook, generating close to 500 engagements. The recording of the webinar is available for viewing here: <https://fb.watch/1r8PA97JWy/>. Register for future sessions of this series at <https://bit.ly/3fzeFhh>.



UNICEF continues to support DOH in promoting the ongoing measles-rubella-polio vaccination campaign and reached 70,000 Facebook users with a videoblog by a rural health midwife in Cagayan Valley sharing how they are observing COVID-19 health and safety protocols while providing the vaccines to children. The post and video is available here:

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2731352200471133>

UNICEF shared a video to encourage parents to have their children vaccinated which reached 30,000 people in the respective geographic area, with over 3,000 engagements and 30 shares. The video is available here:

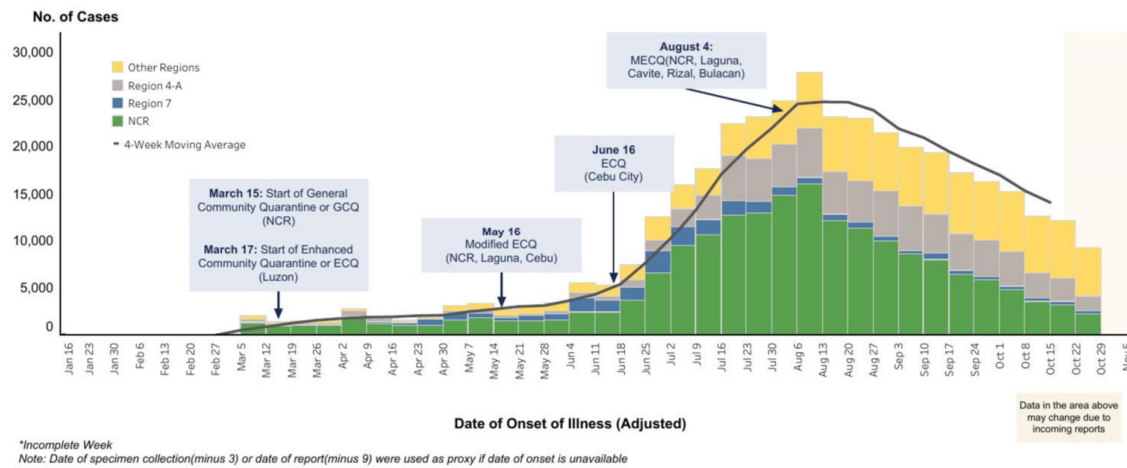
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=3422460451183621>

UNICEF released a statement to call on all sectors in society to ensure that children will be vaccinated against measles-rubella and polio. UNICEF supports the government in the procurement of the vaccines. The press release is available here:

<https://www.unicef.org/philippines/press-releases/resuming-vaccination-campaigns-win-children-unicef>

Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions (NPI)

Figure: Timeline of NPIs with EPI curve combined with NPI implementation dates
16 January-3 November 2020

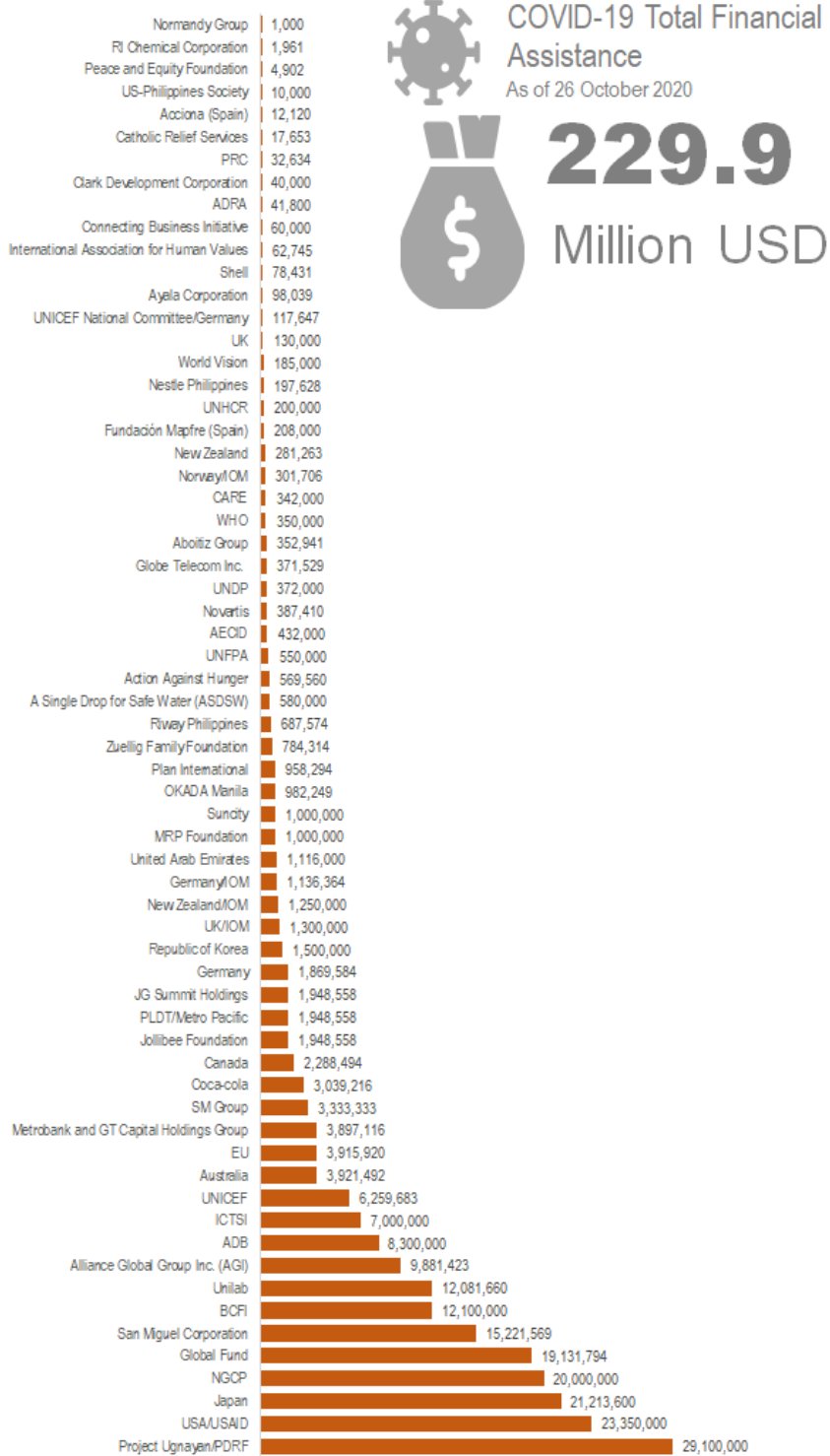


NPI	Monitoring status					
	Date first implemented	Date last modified	Implementation		Lifted for some areas	Lifted for all areas
			Geo-graphical	Recommended /Required		
Wearing Face Masks, Hand Hygiene, Respiratory Etiquette	13 March	-	National	Required	No	No
School Closure	10 March – Metro Manila	3 June	National	Required	3 June with limitations	No
Workplace Closure	13 March	4 Aug	National	Required	15 May	No
Mass Gatherings	10 March – Metro Manila	4 Aug	National	Required	3 June with limitations	No
Stay at Home	13 March	4 Aug	National	Required	15 May	No
Restrictions on Internal Movement (within country)	13 March	4 Aug	National	Required	1 June	No
Restrictions on International Travel	31 Jan - China	4 Aug	National	Required	1 June	No
Others; specify in narrative	None	None	-	-	-	-

Important links:

- <https://covid19.healthphilipinas.ph/>
- <https://www.doh.gov.ph/covid19tracker>
- <http://www.covid19.gov.ph/>
- <https://www.lguvsocovid.ph/>

Annex: Resource mobilization



Here is the link to the COVID-19 Funding Online Dashboard:

<https://public.tableau.com/profile/ocha.philippines.im#!/vizhome/PHILIPPINESCOVID-19FinancialAssistanceDashboard/DASHBOARD>

Logistics, procurement, and supply management

Who	What	Delivered	Expected
ADB	Laboratory facility for 45,000 tests	1	
Americares	N95 masks	73,120	33,800
	Surgical masks	17,500	36,500
	Face shields	60	
	Thermal scanners	3	
	Disinfectant alcohol (1 gallon)	6	
	Oxygen tanks with accessories	3	
	Water tanks	5	
CARE	PPE (full set)	2,029	
	Thermal scanners	23	
	Hygiene kits	9,364	
	Water station facilities	5	
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	
	Examination gloves	767,184	
	Surgical masks	666,200	
	N95 masks	150,445	
	Surgical gowns	5,115	
	Goggles	470	
	Electric fans	20	
	HTH Chlorine (Kg)	225	
	Stethoscope	2	
	Sphygmomanometer	2	
	Digital thermometer	6	
	Sprayer	2	
	Sanitizer (Lt)	225	
	Body bags	50	
	Hospital Beds	2	
	Cot beds	10	
	Breast milk container, 180ml	160	
	Electric fan	20	
	Scrub suits	90	
	Folding table, 72in x 30 in	2	
	Rubber apron	40	
	Stretcher	2	
	Metal bench, 3 seater	6	
	Tent, 6mx 10m, x 2m	1	
	Tent, 11ft x 11 ft x 7ft	2	
	Canopy tents, 3m x 3m	3	
IOM	Isolation gown, washable Taffeta	1,200	
	foot cover, non woven	800	
	bunny suit coverall, washable Taffeta	700	
	nitrile examination gloves	85,000	
	surgical mask	102,250	
	face shield, acrylic	560	
	face shield, acetate	1,500	
	Thermal scanner	110	
	Modular tents	20	
	PPE	12,000	
Japan government			
National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP)	Decontamination chambers	2	
	Ventilators	12	
	Powered air purifying respirators	32	
	Closed suction system	200	
	Test kits	10,000	
	Gallons of 70% alcohol	42,000	
	Gallons of disinfecting solutions	3,800	
	Infrared thermometers	2,100	
	Hazmat suits	3,000	
	Goggles	45,000	
	Surgical caps	60,000	
	Full face shields	65,000	
	Disposable gowns	75,000	
	Pairs of shoe covers	85,000	
	N95 and surgical masks	3,300,000	
	Gloves	3,300,000	
PRC	Medical tents for isolation and treatment	30	
	Face masks	36,000	

Who	What	Delivered	Expected
Samaritan's Purse	PPE (full set)	2,000	
	Medical supplies, masks, alcohol, food	6 Manila hospitals	
	Medical tents for isolation and treatment	3	
	Mattresses	200	
	KN95 mask	1,300	
	Face Shield	1,300	
	Gown	1,300	
	Gloves	54,000	
UNDP	Surgical Mask	3,600	
	Hygiene kits	810	
UNFPA	Ventilators		15
	Face masks	110,000	
	Handheld thermometers	1,130	
	PPE (full set)	386,355	
	Medical Triage Tents and equipment sets	4	2
	Hygiene kits for women	750	350
	Clean delivery packs		500
	Women Friendly Space Tents	1	2
UNHCR	Women and Child Protection Unit equipment	1	
	PPE	12,152	
	Sleeping mats	64	
	Hygiene kits	64	
	Blankets	64	
	Plastic sheets	1,020	
	Solar lamps	1,020	
	Mosquito nets	1,020	
UNICEF	Tents for triage and isolation purposes 72m ² and 42 m ²	74	
	Modular tents for isolation facility	200	
	Coveralls for health workers	72,380	
	Face shields	33,000	
	N95 masks for health workers	35,680	
	Surgical masks	406,750	
	Gloves, heavy-duty, rubber/nitrile	1,000	
	Goggles, protective, indirect-side-venti	500	
	Apron, protection, plastic, reusable	500	
	Boots, rubber/PVC, reusable, pair	500	
	Coveralls for cleaning and disinfection personnel	1,000	
	N95 masks for cleaning and disinfecting personnel	15,000	
	Cleaning and disinfection kit	500	
	Cots	1,300	
	Disposable shoe cover	14,000	
US government	Disposable head cap	14,000	
	Disposable surgical gown	12,600	
	KN95 mask	9800	
	Face shield	2800	
	Goggles	2800	
	Nitrile gloves	119,000	
	Pulse oximeter	210	
	Infrared thermometer	210	
WFP	Mobile Storage Unit	3	
	50 kVA generator	2	
	Shower/toilet unit	1	
	Laboratory supplies		
WHO (with USAID funding)	E-gene EAV kits	335	
	RdRP-gene kits	99	
	N gene/E gene/RdRp gene vials	12	7
	Sanger sequencing reagents vials	3	
	Universal Transport Media viral kit	89,350	
	Flexible Mini Tip	2,000	10,000
	Extraction kits		
	QIAgen QIamp RNA Kit	235	
WHO (with DFAT funding)	SuperScript III Platinum One-step qRT-PCR	109	
	Goggles	1,200	
	Gloves	31,000	
	N95 masks	900	
	Surgical masks	100,000	
	Surgical gowns	817	
	Hand sanitizer	240	
	Face shields	640	
WHO (from HQ)	Bio bags	400	
	Goggles	161,200	
	Examination Gloves	31,000	
	N95 Respirator Mask	408,900	
	Surgical Gowns	231,817	
	Face Shield	240,640	
	Hand Sanitizer	240	
	Surgical Mask	2,256,000	
	Bio Bags	400	
	Oxygen Concentrator	500	
	Oxygen Concentrator Spare Parts	500	
	Nasal Oxygen Cannula with prongs (adult)	500	
	Nasal Oxygen Cannula with prongs (pediatric)	500	
	Venturi Mask with O2 lock and tubing (adult)	500	

Who	What	Delivered	Expected
World Vision	Venturi Mask with O2 lock and tubing (pediatric)	500	
	Patient Monitor 66	66	
	Mobile Storage Unit 10 x 32m	4	
	Tents (child-friendly space) 7 x 6m	17	
	PPE (full set)	458	
	Disinfectant kits	30	