

Situation Summary

- **Out of total 422,915 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%).**
- 46% of cases reported from National Capital Region (NCR), followed by CALABARZON (18.4%), Central Visayas (6%), and Central Luzon (6.3%). Largest increase in new cases from NCR.
- **Out of 8,215 confirmed deaths, 60% are male, with the most affected age group aged over 70 (34.5%) followed by 60-69 years (27.3%)**
- 44% of deaths reported from NCR, followed by Central Visayas (16.5%), CALABARZON (12%), and Western Visayas (6.5%). 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**
- 98.8% of health facilities daily reporting to DOH's DataCollectApp showing 36.8% occupancy rate of ward, ICU and isolation beds for COVID-19 patients nationally. In NCR, out of 161 health facilities, 35.5% of dedicated COVID-19 beds are occupied. In CALABARZON, 220 health facilities report 43% occupancy rate of dedicated COVID-19 beds.
- **Currently 135 laboratories using RT-PCR are accredited for COVID-19 testing, as well as 42 laboratories using GeneXpert.**

PHILIPPINES SITUATION IN NUMBERS



Upcoming Events and Priorities

The Department of Education (DepEd) is considering the possibility of a gradual return to face-to-face classes in 2021, with the news that at least 3 vaccine manufacturers have announced high effectivity rates in their COVID-19 vaccines after trials. The return to face-to-face sessions will happen only in areas that are considered safe by the Department of Health and the InterAgency Task Force. The DepED also said the academic calendar for 2020 to 2021 likely will get revised as a result of COVID-19 and the numerous typhoons that have affected the country.

At an estimated cost of Php1,200 per person, the government is setting aside some Php70 billion pesos for COVID-19 vaccines meant for 60 million citizens. Saying herd immunity is achieved by vaccinating around 60 to 70 percent of the population, the DOH said vaccinating 60 million Filipinos will lead to herd immunity, arresting the further spread of the disease and eventually leading to its disappearance in the populace.

The number of health workers infected with COVID-19 has reached more than 12,000, with 76 deaths. There have been 11,910 recoveries, and 192 are still active cases. The profession with the most number of cases are nurses, followed by doctors, nursing assistants, medical technologists, midwives, radiologic technicians, pharmacists and caregivers. Non-medical

personnel of health facilities who have been infected with COVID-19 include administrative staff, barangay health workers, utility workers, security guards.

National Transmission Assessment

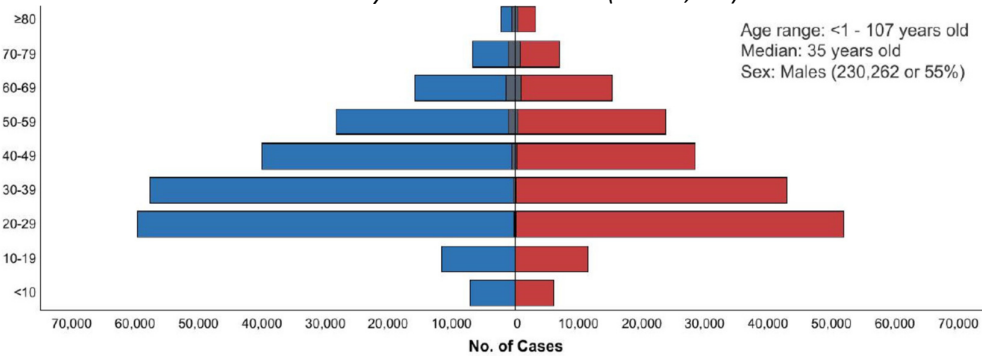
At national level, the Philippines remains in **Stage 2, localised community transmission** with some geographic areas showing higher transmission intensity and indications of wide spread community transmission. There is ongoing evidence of an increasing trend in the number of cases and higher transmission 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 36.8% 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 25 Nov, a total of 422,915 confirmed COVID-19 cases including 8,215 deaths have been reported in the Philippines. The proportion of deaths among COVID-19 confirmed cases is now 1.94%.

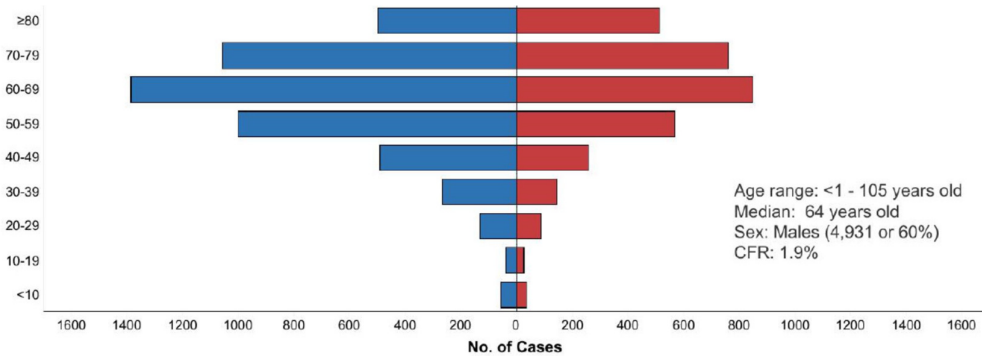
Epidemiological Update	Tests	Cases	Deaths	ICU
COVID-19	223,099	10,818	258	42.4%
Data reported on	Tests past 7 days	New cases past 7 days	Deaths past 7 days	ICU Utilization Rate past 7 days
25 Nov 2020 compared with data reported on 18 Nov 2020	5,260,835	422,915	8,215	1,867
(% difference compared to previous 7 days)	Cumulative Unique Individuals Tested	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	COVID-19 ICU beds
	9.1%			
Health Service Provision	14,757	433	1,266	20,147
COVID-19	Health care workers trained on IPC	Healthcare worker cases reported past 7 days	Hospitals admitting COVID-19 patients	Non-ICU Hospital beds
	11,333			169,337
	Community workers trained on IPC			Hospital beds in TTMF

Age distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Philippines in %
18 January- 25 November 2020 (N=422,915)



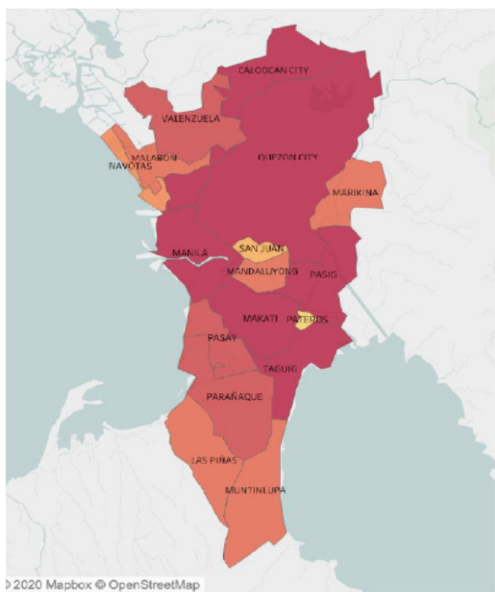
Age distribution of confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the Philippines in %

18 January- 25 November 2020 (N=8,215)



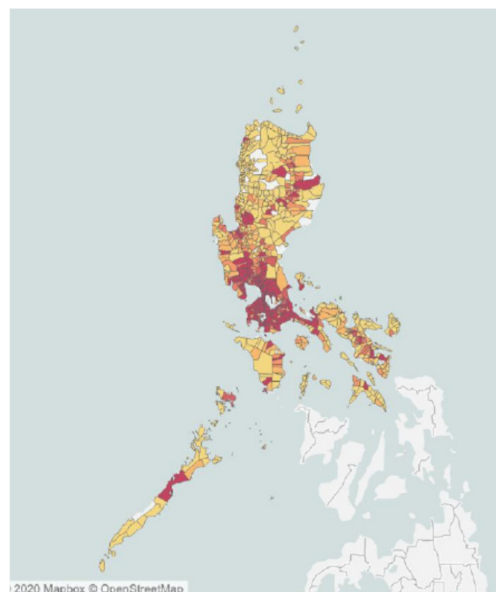
Map of COVID-19 cases in NCR by city/municipality

18 January-25 November 2020 (N=422,915)



Map of confirmed COVID-19 cases by city/municipality

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Strategic Approach

Local officials in the town of General Luna in Quezon province have ordered the closure of their municipal hall after 8 new cases recorded on Monday – the town’s highest single day tally – included a municipal employee and 3 health workers. All transactions at the town hall were suspended and employees were told not to report for work. The town also imposed stricter measures to control the spread of COVID-19 by imposing an 8pm to 5am curfew and imposing a liquor ban. Swimming activities, playing basketball and volleyball were also prohibited along its beaches. 144 deaths due to COVID have been recorded in the province.

The cities of Bago, Sagay, and La Carlota in the province of Negros Occidental are suspending the arrivals of locally stranded individuals (LSI) and returning overseas Filipinos (ROF) to have enough time to prepare their quarantine facilities. Bago will impose a 10-day moratorium from Nov 26 to Dec 5, La Carlota for 12 days from Dec 22 to Jan 2 and Sagay will not receive LSIs and ROFs for 15 days from Nov 26 to Dec 10. Bago has 323 confirmed cases and 14 deaths while Sagay has 291 cases and seven deaths.

The government plans to prioritize COVID-19 epicenters such as the NCR, Cebu and Davao once vaccines are available. This geographical approach will be followed by a sectoral strategy wherein vulnerable sectors like the urban poor, essential frontline health workers, the elderly, the military and police will be prioritized. The government is negotiating with at least three vaccine manufacturers for 60 million doses of the vaccine.

Laboratory strengthening

There are currently 135 laboratories certified to conduct COVID-19 testing by DOH using RT-PCR technology, as well as 42 laboratories using GeneXpert, with an additional 88 public and private laboratories under assessment.

Community Support



As part of its response to typhoons affecting the country, UNICEF provided 500 sets of water kits and 500 sets of family hygiene and dignity kits to affected areas in Catanduanes. These ensure good hygiene and health for communities after disaster, and infection prevention and control against COVID-19 among the vulnerable. UNICEF is also preparing to distribute urgently-needed WASH materials and equipment, including water bladders, generators, water quality monitoring supplies, and latrine repair materials to Cagayan and Isabela provinces.

UNICEF continues to support the empowerment of caregivers and families of children with disabilities in responding to challenges during the pandemic through its webinar series 'Caring for the Caregivers.' The fifth session was held on 19 November and

focused on health and rehabilitation services for children with disabilities. The webinar has reached 6,211 users on Facebook, generating 829 engagements. The recorded webinar is available here: <https://fb.watch/1SNmV2IYt0/>. Registration for future sessions is available at <https://bit.ly/3fzeFhh>.

In observance of World Children's Day on 20 November, UNICEF released a statement urging the Philippine Government to pay attention to children affected by COVID-19 and the recent devastating typhoons: <https://www.unicef.org/philippines/press-releases/listen-childrens-experiences-covid-19-unicef>

The World Children's Day activation amplified children's voices to express how they feel and what they need during the COVID-19 and climate crises. The content reached over 1.5 million people, and generated over 300,000 views, 200,000 engagements, and 1,500 shares. Below are the two content with the highest engagement:

Voices of Youth video: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1302914580070838>

Goodwill Ambassadors video: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=911163423069829>

Caring for the Caregivers

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

Session 5: Health and Rehabilitation Services for Children with Disabilities: Role of Health Professionals

Thursday | November 19, 2020
04:00 - 06:30 PM

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

Sign Language Interpretation (SLI) will be available.

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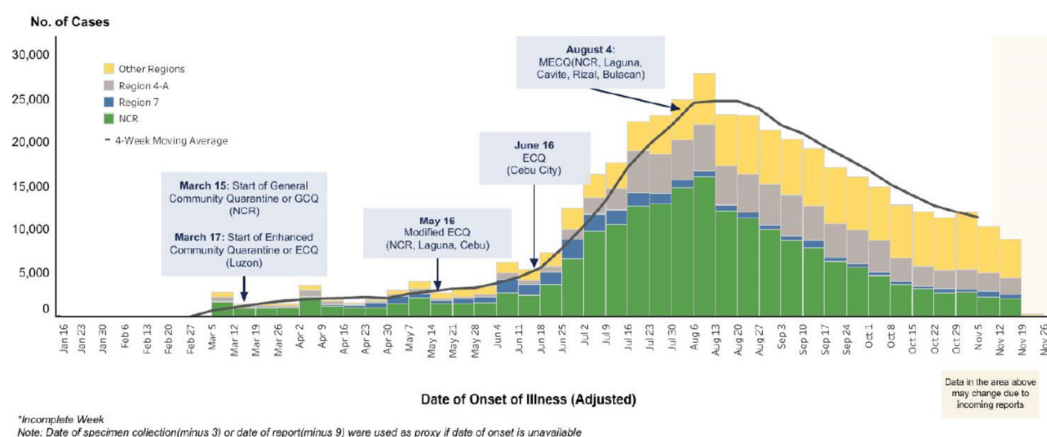
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Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions (NPI)

Figure: Timeline of NPIs with EPI curve combined with NPI implementation dates
16 January-25 November 2020

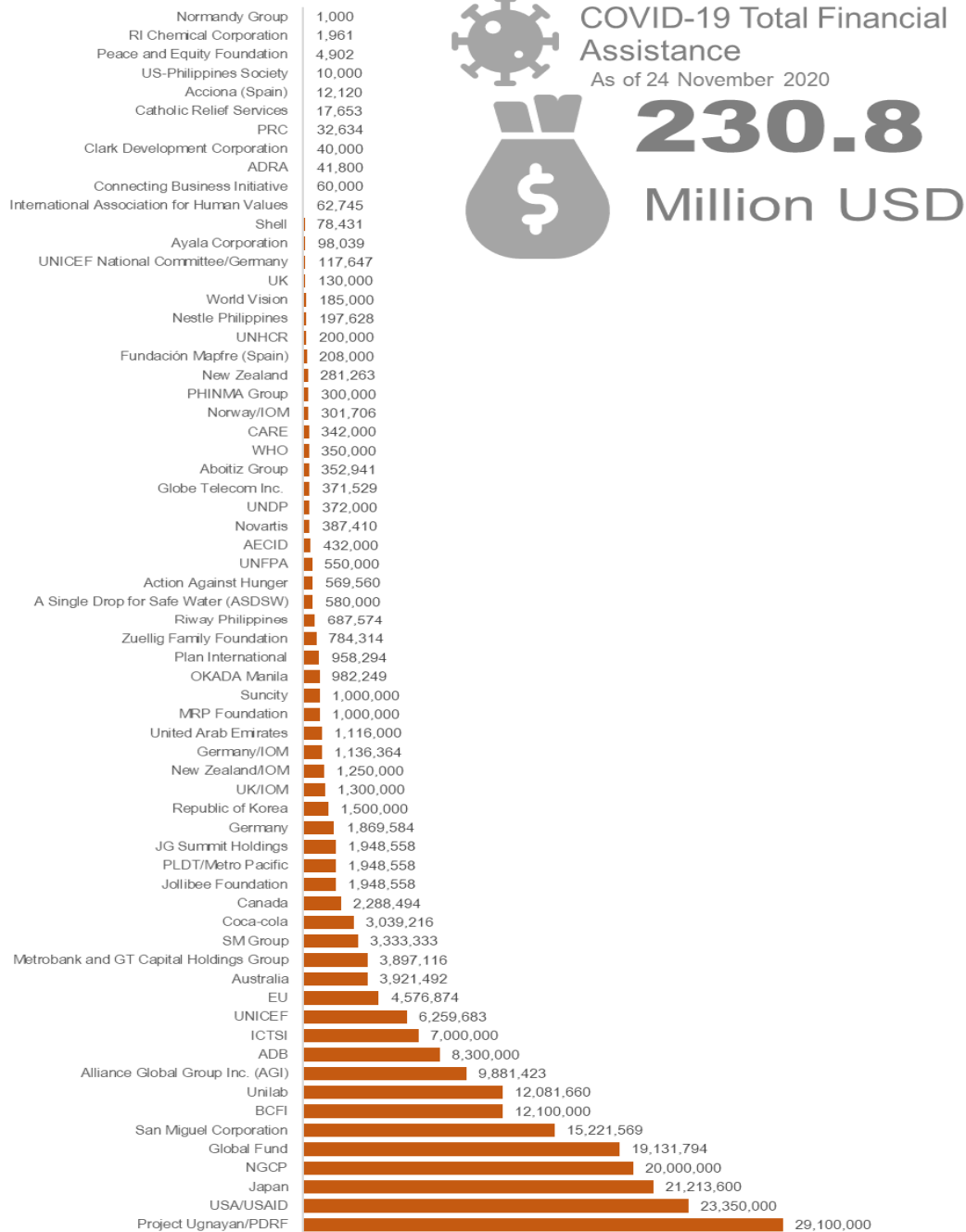


NPI	Monitoring status					
	Date first implemented	Date last modified	Implementation		Lifted for some areas	Lifted for all areas
			Geo-graphical	Recommended /Required		
Wearing Face Masks, Hand Hygiene, Respiratory Etiquette	13 March	-	National	Required	No	No
School Closure	10 March – Metro Manila	3 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	
CARE	Water tanks	5	
	PPE (full set)	2,029	
	Thermal scanners	23	
	Hygiene kits	9,364	
Chinese government	Water station facilities	5	
	COVID-19 test kits	100,000	
	PPE (full set minus goggles)	10,000	
	N95 masks	10,000	
IAHV	Surgical masks	100,000	
	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	
Japan government	Modular tents	20	
	PPE	12,000	
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	
	PPE (full set)	2,000	
	Medical supplies, masks, alcohol, food	6 Manila hospitals	
Samaritan's Purse	Medical tents for isolation and treatment	3	
	Mattresses	200	
	KN95 mask	1,300	
	Face Shield	1,300	
	Gown	1,300	
	Gloves	54,000	

Who	What	Delivered	Expected
UNDP	Surgical Mask	3,600	15
	Hygiene kits	810	
UNFPA	Ventilators		2
	Face masks	110,000	
	Handheld thermometers	1,130	
	PPE (full set)	386,355	
	Medical Triage Tents and equipment sets	4	
	Hygiene kits for women	750	
	Clean delivery packs		
UNHCR	Women Friendly Space Tents	1	2
	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	
	Tents for triage and isolation purposes 72m ² and 42 m ²	74	
UNICEF	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	
US government	Cots	1,300	
	Disposable shoe cover	14,000	
	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	
WHO (with USAID funding)	Shower/toilet unit	1	7
	Laboratory supplies		
	E-gene EAV kits	335	
	RdRP-gene kits	99	
	N gene/E gene/RdRp gene vials	12	
	Sanger sequencing reagents vials	3	
	Universal Transport Media viral kit	89,350	
	Flexible Mini Tip	2,000	
	Extraction kits		
	QIAGEN QIAamp 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	
	Bio bags	400	
WHO (from HQ)	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	
	Venturi Mask with O2 lock and tubing (pediatric)	500	
	Patient Monitor	66	
World Vision	Mobile Storage Unit 10 x 32m	4	
	Tents (child-friendly space) 7 x 6m	17	
	PPE (full set)	458	
	Disinfectant kits	30	

