



# India's experience in containing COVID-19

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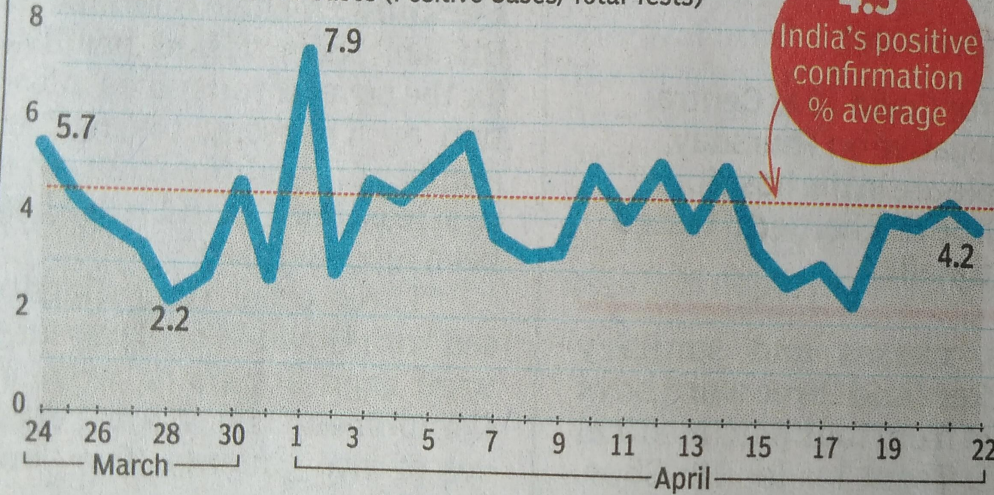
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# 'RISE IN CASES LINEAR, NOT EXPONENTIAL'

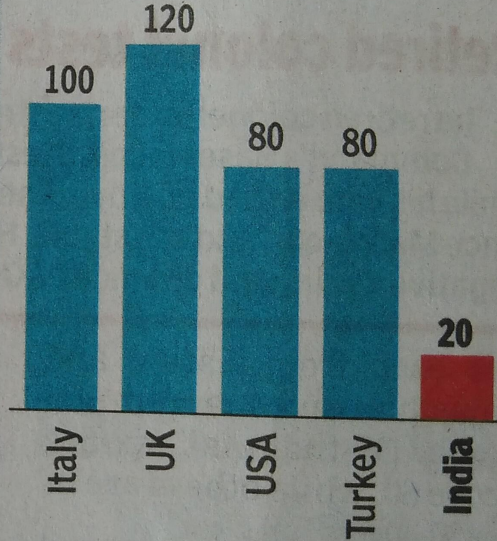
India's percentage of +ve cases has been relatively steady despite a 33-fold rise in testing during lockdown

Percentage Of Positive Cases (Positive Cases/Total Tests)



Source: Govt data

No. (in '000) of positive cases when 5 lakh samples tested



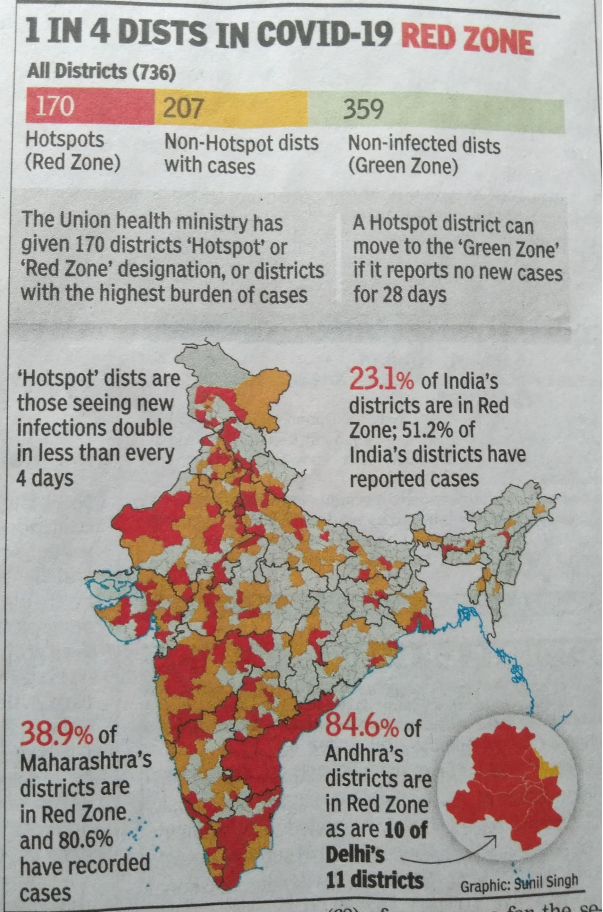
As on today, 30.04.2020

**Total cases : 33,062**

**Active cases : 23,546**

**Recovered : 8,437**

**Deaths : 1,079**



# “The Indians have their peaceful mind”

They are **not physically immune** but **mentally immune** to Coronavirus

- Zhang Wenhong,

Director

Department of Infectious Diseases

Huashan Hospital, Shanghai, China

## Regional Centre of Expertise on Education for Sustainable Development

175 RCEs Globally

Asia Pacific 67

Americas 26

Africa and Middle East 38

Europe 44

India 15

CHINA 08 Anji, Beijing, Greater Shangri-la, Hangzhou, Hohhot, Kunming, Qingdao, Tianjin



# TeLL-Net 2020

Telling Live Lessons from Disasters

24-26 January 2020

Kobe, Japan

Prof. Zhang Guoyuan



2019 Global Conference on Teacher Education for Education for Sustainable Development  
22-25 November 2019  
Okayama University, Okayama, Japan



# 12<sup>th</sup> RCE Asia Pacific Regional Meeting, 3-7 June 2019, Hangzhou, CHINA





# Networks

International

Regional

National

Local

India's **3-Tier** Governance System

## National

Sphere India- A **Coalition** of humanitarian agencies

National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)

## State

Inter Agency Group (**IAG**)

State DMA (SDMA)

District

District DMA (DDMA)

**Village/ Town/ City**

**Gram Pradhan/ Mayor**

# India

29 States

07 Union Territories

Jammu & Kashmir (22 Districts)

Uttar Pradesh (75 Districts)

**Total (77 Districts)**

Reach Out:

About 20% of India's population (1.5 billion)

Webinars, WhatsApp, FB, Phone Calls, Emails

**Infodemics**

**WHO, MoHFW, UNICEF, ICMR,  
Johns Hopkins University, LANCET**

- Saving Lives
- Saving Livelihood
- Preparedness for future pandemics

# **Saving Lives**

**Working with Government, NGOs, volunteers**

**Awareness creation**

**Social distancing**

**Personal protection- Hygiene, Hand washing, Mask**

**Essential supplies**



# Saving Livelihood

- Unemployment, financial crisis
- Debt
- Selling, mortgaging land, property, valuables
- Bonded labour, Child labour
- Prostitution
- Early age marriages
- Children's education
- Poverty- health, nutrition, diseases
- Social problems- drugs, alcohol, thefts, suicides

- long list

- **Financial aid**
- **Soft loan**
- **Skill development**
- **Self employment**
- **Employment generation**
- **Health care**
- **No school drop out**
- **Psycho-social care and support**
- **Confidence building**

**Government**

**NGOs, CBOs**

**Corporates, CSR**

**Products**

**Value addition**

**Market linkages**

# **Preparedness for future pandemics**

**Air quality**

**Water quality**

**Wildlife**

**Environment Quality**

**Nature regeneration**

**IPBES Report**



## Message

- Covid-19 pandemic is a result of humanity's ecological footprint having increased much beyond the bio-capacity of Planet Earth. This pandemic is a clarion call to human beings not to encroach upon the spaces of other species but to coexist with them, else nature will take its own course to set things right which will be quite cruel.
- From Planet Earth's perspective human beings are pathogen (disease) and Covid-19 pandemic a vaccine, the medicine.
- Let us revise our lifestyles and live sustainably, in harmony with nature.
- Mother Nature loves us but we need to deserve it.
- Earth does not need us, we need Earth.

# Pandemic has pressed **ReSet** Button

- We need to Review our lifestyles
- Continue the good practices that we have learnt during COVID-19

Lucknow University has introduced Courses on COVID-19

## **M. Sc. Biochemistry**

Physiology, Transmission, Dos & Don'ts, Containing the epidemic/pandemic

## **Humanities**

Social and Economic aspects of pandemic

**BUILD BACK BETTER**

- **Green Earth**
- **Blue Sky**
- **Sustainable, Climate Smart and Disaster Resilient Community**



**Thank You**