### Daily Situation Report – Pakistan
#### COVID-19

**March 18, 2020**

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**Updates: Pakistan:**
- 54 new cases confirmed, bringing the tally to 241

**Global:**
- Total cases: 198,004, Total Deaths: 7,948

**NIH Preparedness and Response:**
- ICT Traffic Police and Motorway Police personnel trained regarding IPC.
- Awareness regarding COVID-19 in Tarlai so far.

**Risk Assessment:** Current impact of the disease in Pakistan is: Moderate

**Provinces Preparedness and Response:**
- **Balochistan:** RRT assigned task to collect samples from all quarantined population at PCSIR Quetta. All persons screened, samples have been taken and sent to lab for diagnosis.
- **Sindh:** Restaurants and malls closed for 2 weeks. Sindh Government has procured 10,000 kits.
- **Punjab:** Testing kits and protective gears have been procured, staff trained, quarantine and isolation wards prepared
- **KP & TD:** Quarantine facility for 171 passengers established at Gomal Medical College for persons travelling from Taftan border.
- **AJK:** District RRTs have done screening of 02 workers from USA, 24 from UK, 10 from UAE, 21 from Saudi Arabia, 01 from Oman, France and Bahrain each so far.
- **GB:** Total 1000 PPE kits, 17 thermo-guns and 781 VTM, PCR Kits with testing capacity of 500 samples made available.
- 329 pilgrims are being managed at quarantine centres, established at Gilgit, Nagar, Astore, Skardu, Ghanchi, Shigar and Karmang for 14 days.

**Risk Communication:**
1. Clean your hands regularly with an alcohol-based hand rub, or wash them with soap.
2. Clean surfaces regularly with recommended disinfectants (70% Ethyl Alcohol or 0.5% bleach solution).
3. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with contaminated hands.
4. Practice respiratory hygiene by coughing or sneezing into a bent elbow or tissue and then immediately dispose off.
5. Wear a medical/surgical mask if you have respiratory symptoms and perform hand hygiene after disposing of the mask.
6. Maintain a minimum of mandatory one meter distance from individuals with respiratory symptoms.
7. Healthcare workers are required to select and use appropriate PPE.
8. **Administrative controls** include ensuring the availability of IPC resources such as appropriate infrastructure, clear IPC policies, access to lab testing, triage and patient placement, adequate staff and training of staff.
9. **Environmental and engineering controls** aim at reducing the spread of pathogens and reducing the contamination of surfaces and inanimate objects.

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