

Corona Virus: Status of Province 5 Banke, 14 April 2020

In Province 5, the people staying in quarantine have started returning back after completing their 14 days long stay. Their test result in the RDT was found negative. The police arrested two people, who were found sneaking in through the Indian border on 13 April. Police has also arrested 28-year-old Dipak Neupane for spreading fake news regarding the corona victims. Most of the people staying in quarantine have completed their stay and returned back home. Their RDT were also found negative.

According to the District Representative of Rupandehi, Rima BC, the 37 suspects of Corona infected resulted negative in their swab test. One of them had died but the report as negative. In the Provincial Public Health Laboratory, 80 suspected swabs were tested in which 79 was negative and one is pending. Also the Corona specialized hospital's patient also resulted negative.

According to the District Representative of Gulmi, Top Lal Aryal, RDT has started on everyone staying in quarantine. All of them resulted negative. Malika Rural Municipality and Ishma Rural Municipality had sent back 27 people (10 and 17 simultaneously) without RDT. They were sent back because they had stayed longer than two weeks and RDT was also late. Also six from Kaligandaki Rural Municipality were sent back without RDT.

According to the District Representative of Rukum East, Jayaman Budha Magar, they have been collecting names of the people returning from India, establishing victim support fund and distributing relief. They have established health desks in the borders of the district. People coming from different districts who were stuck during the lockdown were given a place to live and food to eat until the lockdown is over. Since they do not have a single ambulance, the authorities have rented an ambulance from Rukum West.

According to the District Representative of Bardiya, Man Bahadur Chaudhary, all the 156 suspects from different parts of the district were reported negative. Till 14 April there are 26 quarantines with 248 staying in it. Six of them are in home quarantine and the local level has already distributed the first phase of relief to 6,536 families.

According to the District Representative of Dang, Jaya Narayan Pun, a vegetable storage has been sealed since they had vegetables brought from India. The corona special hospital has kept one person in isolation. At present they have 39 people staying in quarantine. Corona special hospital of Beljhundi has nine people in isolation. Police has also arrested 28-year-old Dipak Neupane of Ghorahi for spreading fake news regarding the corona victims.

According to the District Representative of Rolpa, Harisara Gharti, the labourers from the brick factory of Bhaktapur have returned back to Rolpa. They were in a group of 31 while four of them dropped off at Dang, remaining 27 reached Rolpa. They had walked till Nawalparasi and after the reference of the local level, they were provided a vehicle till Rolpa. Considering the SEE appearing students, Sat Prasaya Media Group has decided of initiating educational program and has launched it on 13 April. The program is broadcasted in seven different FMs in different time. They also have youtube channel for this program.

According to the District Representative of Kapilbastu, Parbati Acharya, there are 10 different quarantines with the total capacity of 1,012 beds. Till date, there are 560 people in the quarantine. Out of them 256 have been examined with RDT and

have tested negative. The 16 Nepalese staying in the quarantine of Krishnanagar have completed 14 days of their stay but the Administration is yet to decide what to do with them. The 113 people staying in quarantine at Bijaynagar Rural Municipality were examined with RDT and were later sent back to stay at home quarantine for a week more. Their RDT resulted negative.

According to the District Representative of Nawalparasi West, Narayan Parajuli, The police arrested two people, who were found sneaking in through the Indian border on 13 April. This incident has terrified the locals.

According to the District Representative of Pyuthan, Rabindra Pandey, first phase of the relief distribution of to eight local levels have completed whereas Airawati rural municipality has just started the relief distribution. The district has many seasonal fever patients due to which District Hospital Bijuwar has constructed a different ward to treat them.

According to the District Representative of Banke, Smriti Devkota, The 154 people staying in quarantine were examined with RDT and were later sent back to stay at home quarantine for a week more. Their RDT resulted negative. The district has sent swabs of 77 in which 70 resulted negative and seven are pending.

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