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Karnataka now has 2nd highest number of active Covid-19 cases

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KARNATAKA now stands second among states with the highest number of active Covid-19 cases at 30,865, even as it crossed the 10 lakh-mark on Thursday with a tally of 10,01,238 cases since the start of the pandemic on March 8, 2020. Maharashtra, with 3,56,243 active cases — well over ten times Karnataka's figure — is at the top.

Karnataka first touched the one lakh-mark on September 10, 2020, with 1,01,537 active cases, and then again on September 16, 17 and 18. The numbers dipped for a few days before climbing back to the one lakh-mark and continuing from September 26 to October 21. On October 10 last year, the state recorded the highest number of active cases at 1,20,929 cases.

From then on, there had been a steady decline to just above the 7,000-mark in January third week this year, after which the numbers have been on the rise again due to the second wave.

As per data from the crowd-sourced website covid19india.org, 15,217 out of every 10 lakh people in Karnataka have tested positive for the virus, while for every 100 confirmed cases, three are currently infected.

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STATE'S
SECOND WAVE
BATTLE

4,234

NEW CASES

18
NEW
DEATHS

2.35%
POSITIVITY
RATE

Karnataka crosses 10 lakh positive cases on Thursday with a tally of 10,01,238

State will see 10.7 lakh positive cases by May 1 and 11.2 lakh by Sept, according to IISc researchers

Vax drive on all days in April to enhance coverage

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ON a day the Covid-19 inoculation for all people above the age of 45 began, the Centre on Thursday said the shots would be given on all days, including gazetted holidays, throughout April at all public and private vaccination centres.

The decision seeks to arrest a steep decline in the number of people getting vaccinated against the backdrop of sharp rise in number of cases amid the outbreak of the second wave. Till Thursday, over 63 million people have been vaccinated, translating into just 4.5 doses per 100 people.

The fresh measure was recommended by the National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration and was taken after deliberations with all states on Wednesday, the Health Ministry said. The rationale behind the decision is to optimally utilise all vaccination centres for increased coverage. **PI0**

Drive goes off smoothly in Karnataka

Bengaluru: The vaccination drive for people aged above 45 went off smoothly in the state with no shortage of vaccines. In all, 50,620 people got the 1st dose of the vaccine, while 396 people got the second dose. **P3**

No chances of rainfall for next few days: Met

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Maximum temperatures in other districts

- Bidar - 39, Vijayapura - 40,
- Dharwad - 38.4, Gadag - 39.1, Kalaburagi - 41.6,
- Koppal - 39.5, Raichur - 41, Chitradurga - 37.9,
- Davangere - 37.5, Hassan - 34.6, Chintamani - 37.1,
- Mandya - 35.6, Mysuru - 37.9, Shivamogga - 36.8

(All figures are in degrees Celsius)

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THE normal maximum and minimum temperatures for Bengaluru are 34 and 21 degrees Celsius.

However citizens are not convinced and say that it feels much hotter.

"Step out in the afternoon and you will find everyone scrambling to find some shade under a flyover or a tall building as there are no trees

to save you from the summer heat. It does not feel like Bengaluru any more. The city has long lost its tag of being an air-conditioned city," rued Brijesh K, a commuter on Race Course Road.

Director in-charge of IMD-Bengaluru, C S Patil, told The New Indian Express that since no weather systems are being formed, the temperatures are on the rise.

The weather will be dry in

the city and across state and there are no chances of rainfall for the next few days. A low pressure area is forming over the Bay of Bengal and it has drawn all the winds and moisture content.

The IMD officials also said the humidity level in Bengaluru is 23 per cent at present.

Rainfall will occur only when the humidity level rises.

POSITIVITY RATE IN STATE NOW AT 4.65%

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Of the active cases, 265 are in the high risk category and are admitted in ICU. Thursday saw 3 more deaths, taking the death toll to 12,585. There were 234 new cases reported on Thursday, of which Bengaluru Urban district accounted for more than half of them, with

2,906 testing positive. The positivity rate now stands at 4.65 per cent in the state. There has been a steady decline in the positivity rate lately with the figure touching 4.66 per cent on March 29 and 30, and 4.65 per cent on March 31 and April 1. This has been attributed to the higher number of tests being carried out.

The recovery rate now stands at 95.6 per cent while the mortality rate fell a notch to 1.25 per cent on Thursday.

The website stated that for every 100 confirmed cases, 96 have recovered from the virus while one succumbed to the disease. "In the last one week, the number of new infections has grown by an average of 0.3

per cent every day. For every 10 lakh people in Karnataka, 3,25,408 samples were tested," the website stated. The top 5 districts in terms of active cases in Karnataka are Bengaluru Urban with 21,798 cases, Kalaburagi with 1,244 cases, Bidar with 1,059 cases, Tumakuru with 727 cases and Bengaluru Rural with 604 cases.