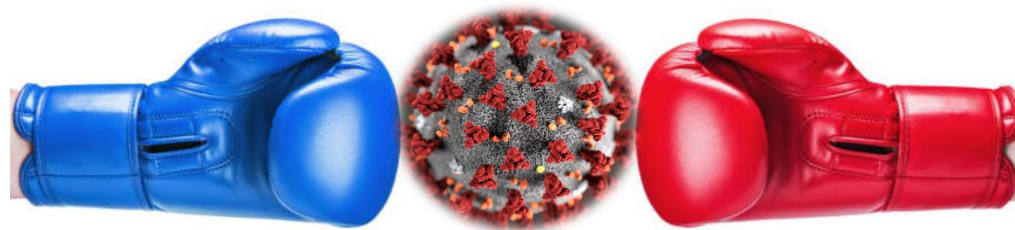




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Responding to COVID-19 in the Kingdom of Cambodia



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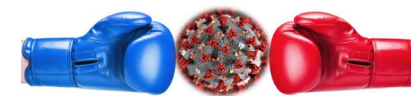
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18 June 2020

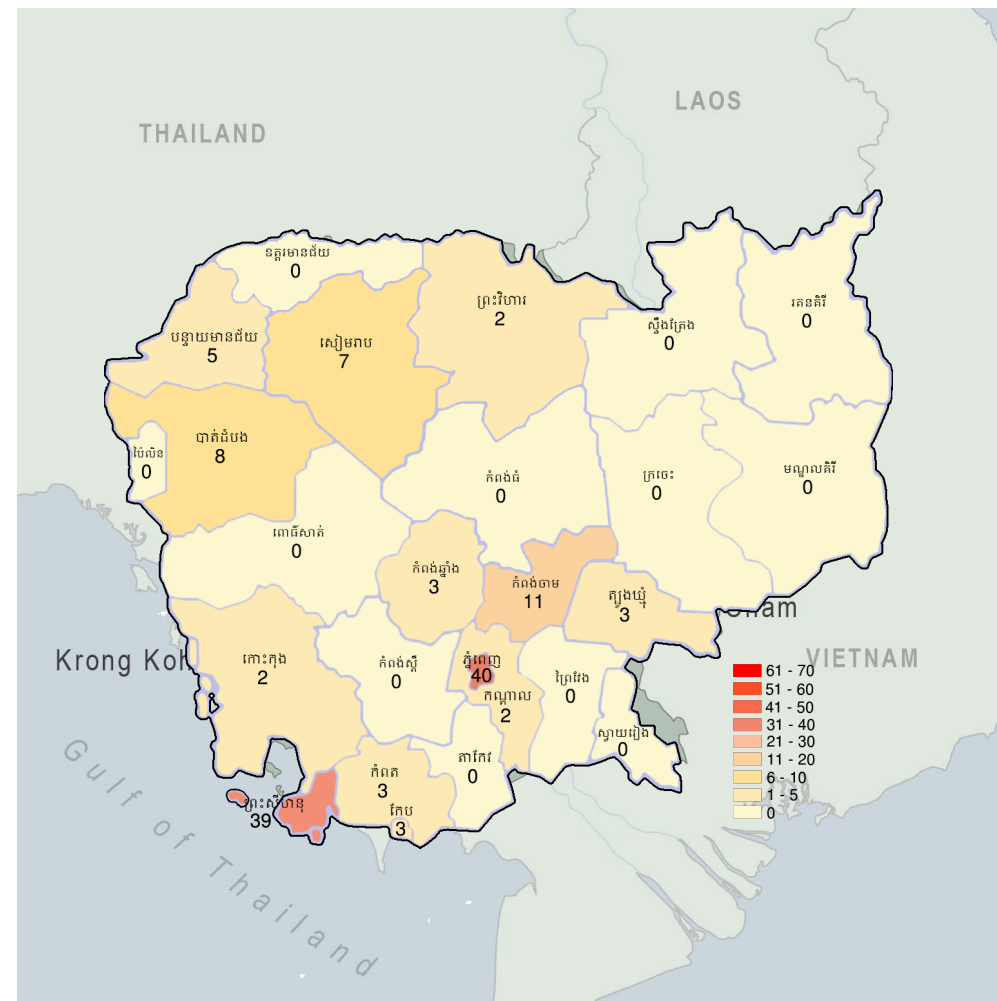


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Country context: Kingdom of Cambodia



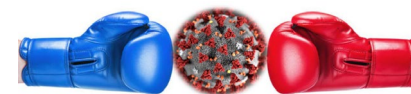
- Population (2019): **16.5 million**
 - 76% <40 years old; 4.5% >65 years old
 - Majority (77%) live in rural areas
- GDP per capita, US\$ (2018): **1510** (Lower-middle-income country)
- Total health expenditure per capita, US\$ (2016): **79.6**
- **3** international airports, ground crossings with Viet Nam, Thailand and Lao PDR, **1** seaport



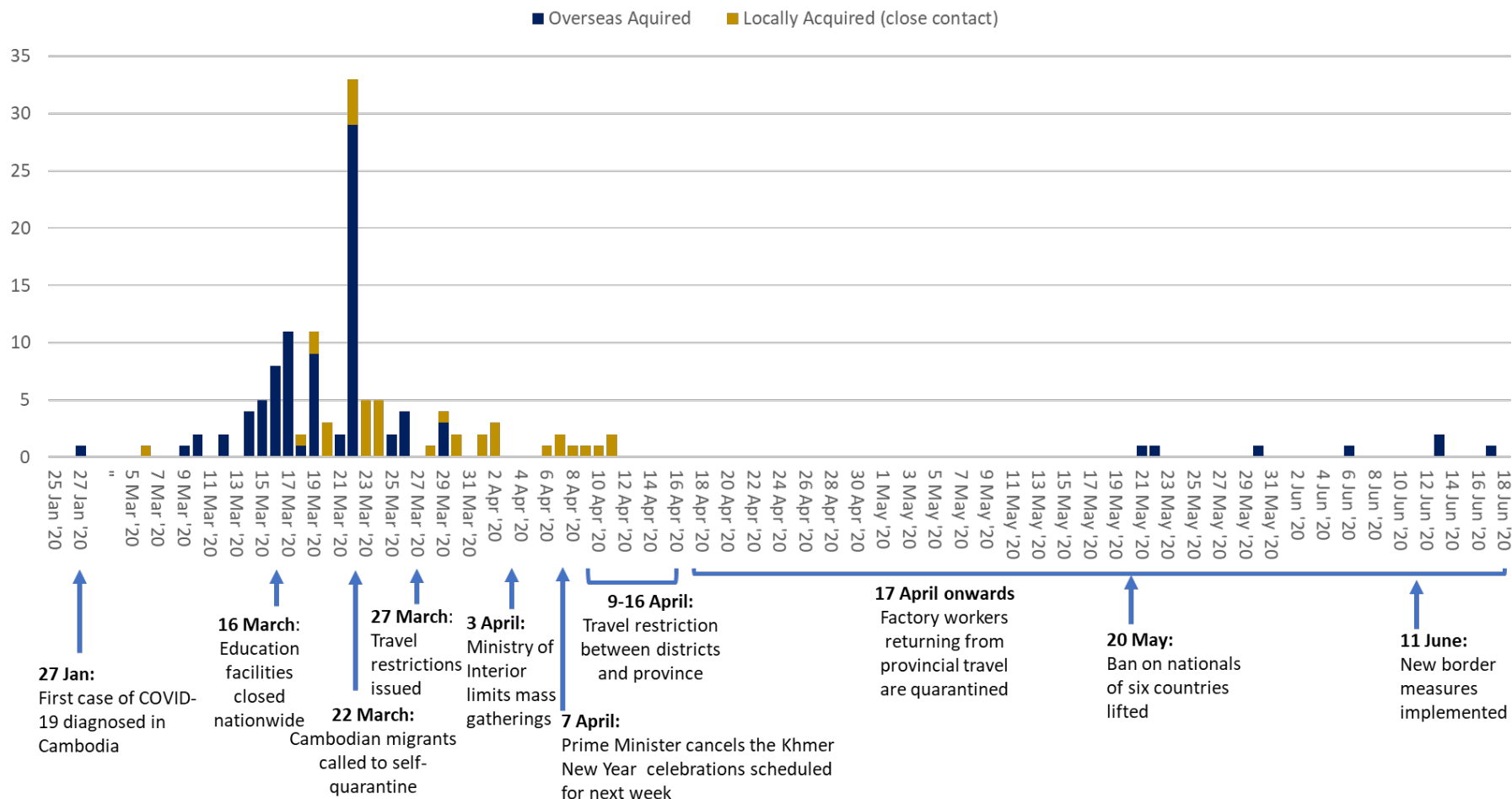


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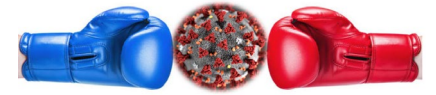
Confirmed cases of COVID-19 by date of positive test and acquisition status, 18 June 2020 (N=129)



- **129** confirmed cases
- **91** cases imported from **11** countries
- Confirmed cases in **12** provinces and in Phnom Penh
- **5** main clusters contained

How has Cambodia managed to contain the outbreak so far?

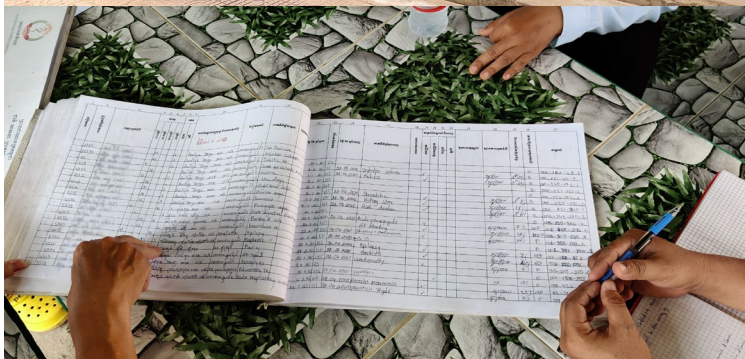
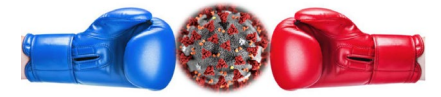
1. Strong leadership and coordination



- A **whole-of-government, whole-of-society response** has been activated, led by Samdech Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister, with the public health response led by H.E. Prof. Mam Bunheng, Minister of Health
 - **National Committee** to Combat COVID-19, chaired by Samdech Prime Minister
 - **Inter-Ministerial Committee** to Combat COVID-19, chaired by Minister of Health
 - **Provincial COVID-19 Committees**, chaired by Provincial Governors
- Government developed and mobilized funding for the **National Master Plan for COVID-19**
- Ministry of Health convened **Technical Working Groups** to guide and support implementation

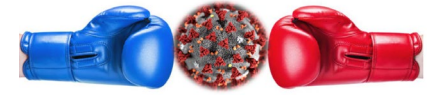


2. Past investments have built a functional public health system



- **Multi-source surveillance for COVID-19** including event-based surveillance (with hotline) and expanded ILI/SARI surveillance
- Mobilization of **2910 Rapid Response Team (RRT) members** to find cases, trace contacts and collect detailed information on movement
- **Laboratory capacity** for testing and detection of SARS-CoV-2 at Institute Pasteur Cambodia and National Institute of Public Health, including testing of ILI/ SARI → more than 28,000 tests conducted

3. Risk communication and community engagement

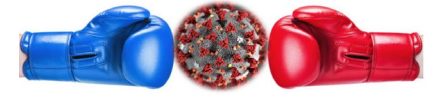


Messages disseminated through TV, radio and social media

- **Timely and regular press releases, press conferences and media briefings**
- Material developed specifically for **drivers and garment factory workers**
- Risk communication and community engagement monitoring and supervision plan
- **Community engagement strategy** being rolled out includes surveillance and response elements



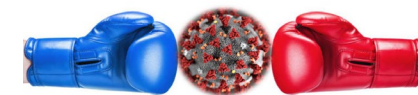
4. Global solidarity and international cooperation



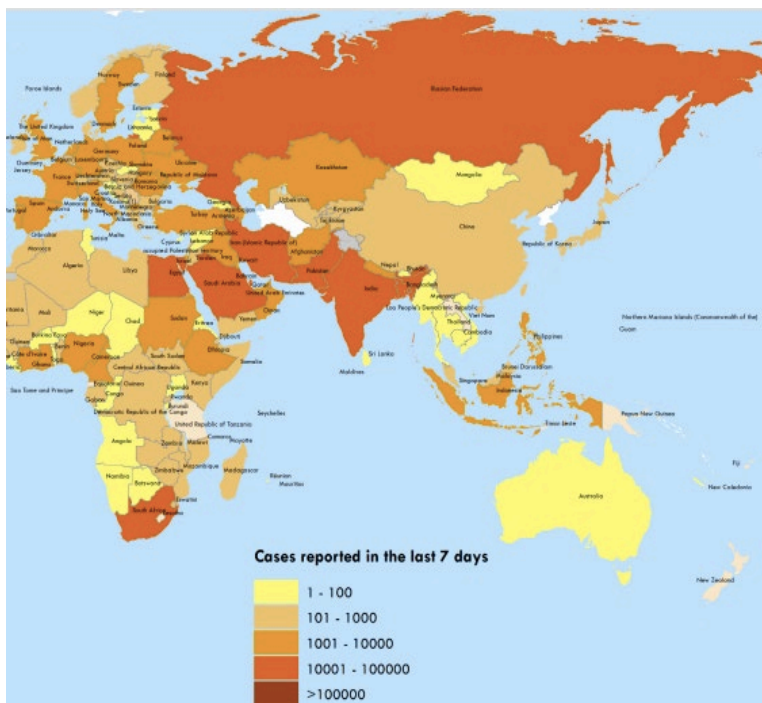
- Samdech Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister decided to accept Westerdam cruise ship on **humanitarian grounds** and led the National Committee with national resource mobilization to combat Covid-19
- **Close technical cooperation** with WHO, US-CDC and Institute Pasteur Cambodia for surveillance, detection, and rapid response
- **Financial and technical support** from a number of bilateral and multilateral partners coordinated with support from WHO
- Regular attendance of WPRO Health Ministers and National IHR Focal Points meetings to **share experiences and lessons**



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Still preparing for the future: remaining vigilant for possible community transmission Negotiating challenges as opportunities for the future



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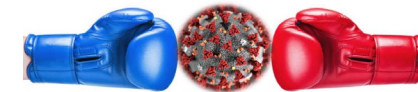
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Thank you very much for your attention in responding to Covid-19 to save the lives of our people around the globe!