

Health Ministers Meeting on Universal Health Coverage in Asia and the Pacific

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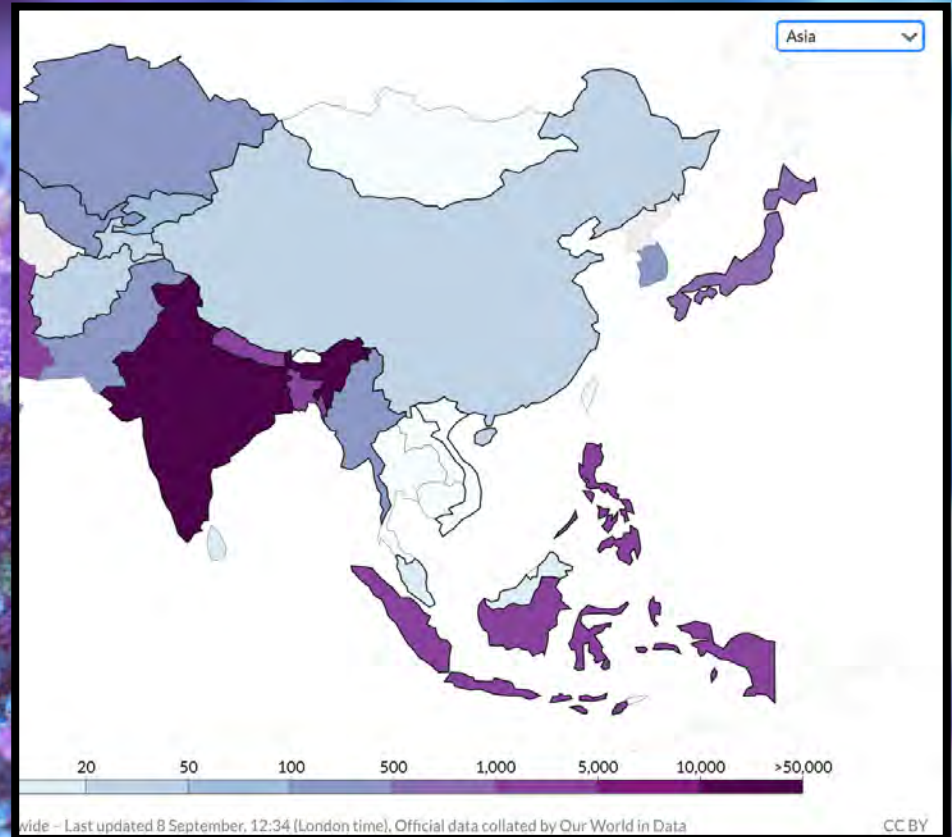


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COVID-19 in Asia and the Pacific

In Asia and the Pacific

- More than 6 million cases
- More than 110,000 deaths



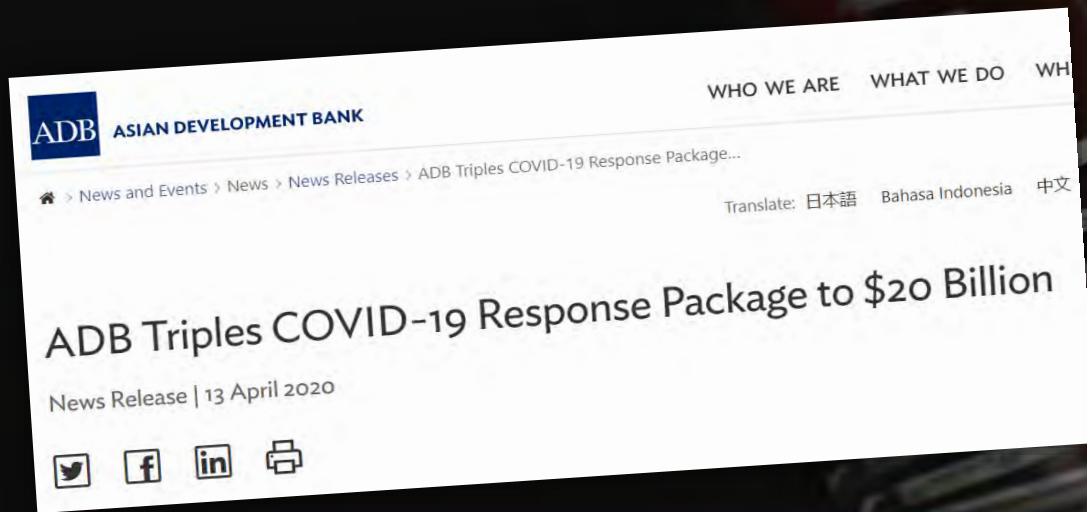
Daily new confirmed COVID-19 cases, Sep 8, 2020

Shown is the rolling 7-day average. The number of confirmed cases is lower than the number of actual cases; the main reason for that is limited testing.

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ADB support to COVID-19 response



ADB's three pillars of COVID-19 response:

- Finance response actions by member countries
- Convene partners
- Generate and disseminate knowledge





COVID-19 has threatened people's overall access to health services

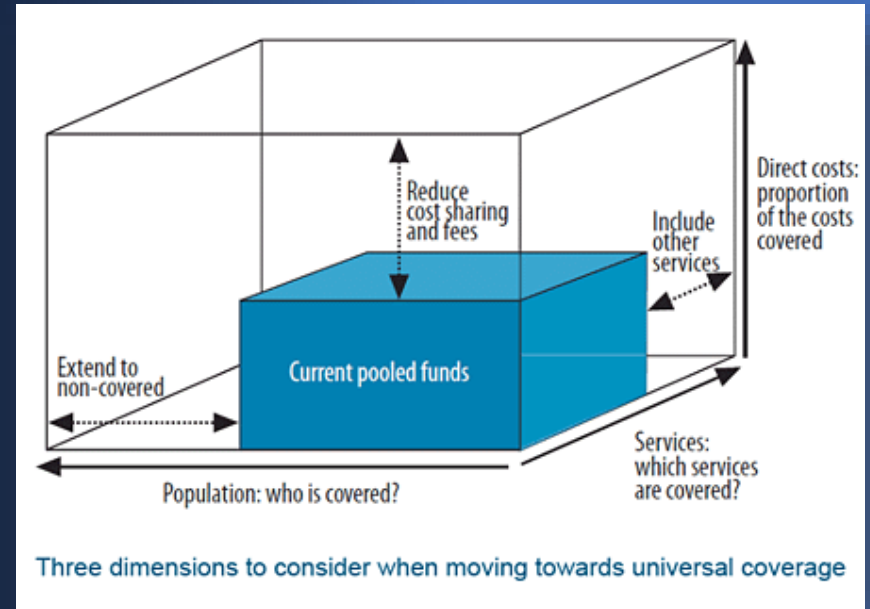
COVID-19 and UHC

1. Many health service providers are prioritizing COVID-19 services at the expense of other essential healthcare
2. People are foregoing health care for fear of an increased risk of COVID-19 infection at health facilities
3. Progress towards UHC has been greatly affected and highlights the dire need to invest in resilient systems

Promoting UHC during COVID19

ADB's Strategy 2030 recognizes the centrality of UHC to a prosperous, inclusive, and resilient Asia and the Pacific

ADB remains committed to support UHC efforts of its developing member countries



Examples of ADB support to the UHC Agenda



- Use of digital technology to improve national health insurance in **Tonga**
- Strengthening health security through regional collaboration and Integration in **Myanmar, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam and Thailand**
- Support to primary health care services in **India**
- Strengthening elderly care services in **PRC**



COVID-19 vaccine "Triple As" approach

1. Availability
2. Accessibility
3. Affordability

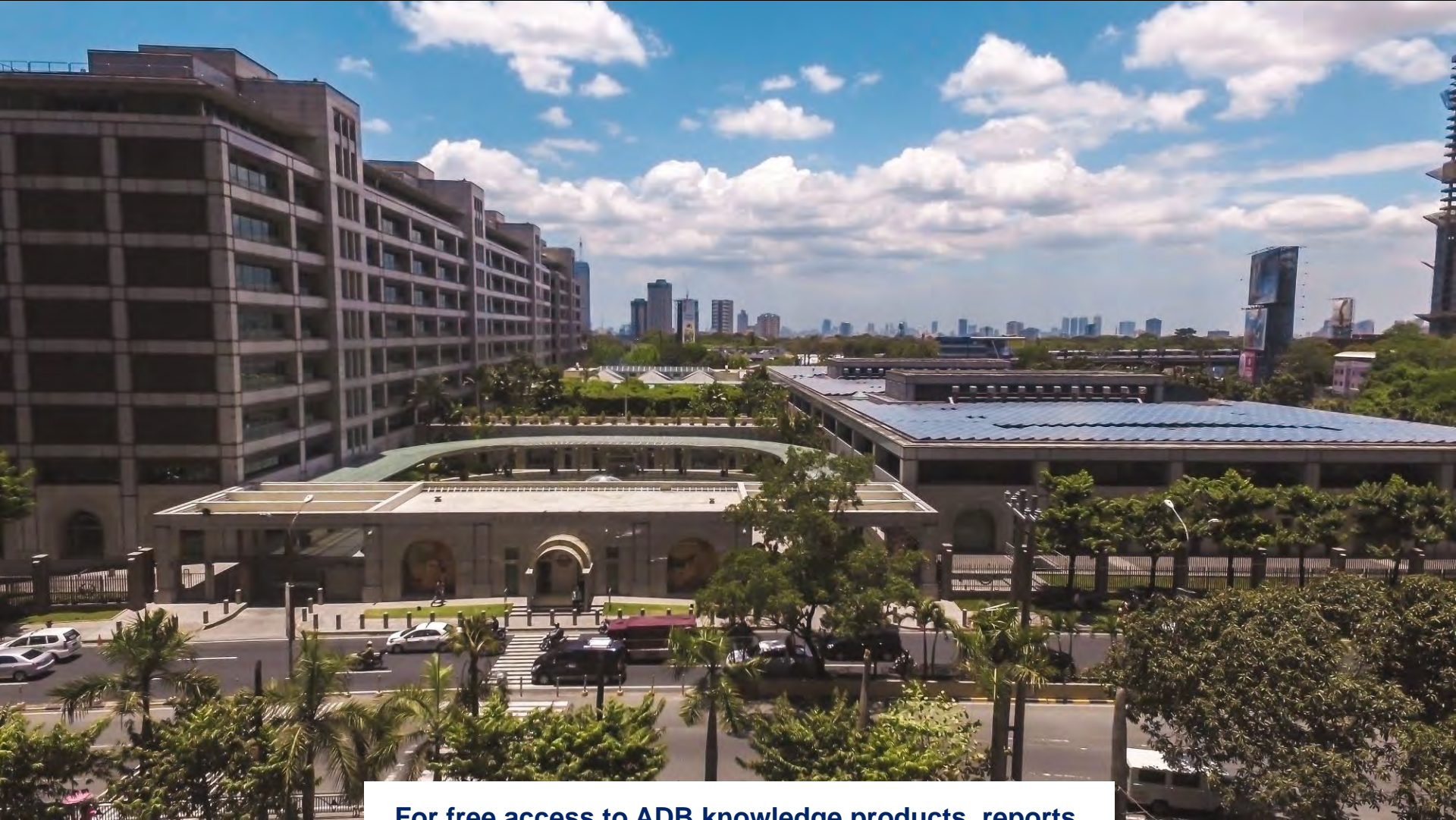


Key Questions:

- Are your governments mobilizing enough resources to meet the demand for COVID-19 vaccines in the immediate future?
- How can we ensure that your populations will get access to COVID-19 vaccines?
- What role can ADB play to help you ensure the safety, quality and effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines?



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