

Thailand's STI Strategies to Combat COVID-19

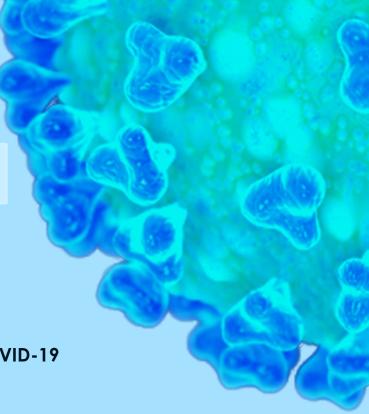
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The Outline of Presentation

- 1. Thai STI Strategies to combat COVID-19
- 1) The Use of data analysis for forecasting the COVID-19 situation
- 2) The main funding to support COVID-19 research and development in short-medium and long terms
- 3) The Use of R&D and Innovation activities to combat COVID-19
- 4) The Use of emerging technology in healthcare system
- 2. STI Policy for Post-COVID-19 Recovery





- 1) The use of data analysis for forecasting the COVID-19 situation
 - ► The Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA)
 - ► The National Research Council of Thailand (NRCT) as the research knowledge Emergency Operations Centre (RKEOC)
 - present update COVID-19 situation in Thailand and abroad
 - summarize a proper practice or knowledge for people in coping with COVID-19 crisis
 - coordinate all COVID-19 research and development in national level





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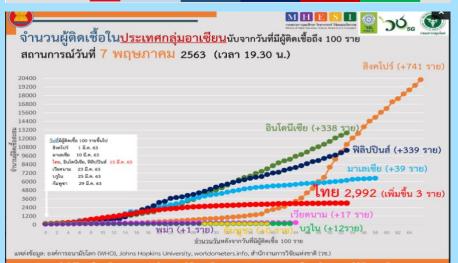
















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How's Thai STI Strategies to combat COVID-19?

- 2) The main funding to support COVID-19 research and development in short-medium and long terms
 - 250 million baht for COVID-19 research and development
 - 10 projects ranging from investigating the virus mutation, to developing mathematical models for explaining and predicting the disease epidemiology
 - 3.5 billion baht to support vaccine research and development



3)The Use of R&D and Innovation Activities to Cope with COVID-19

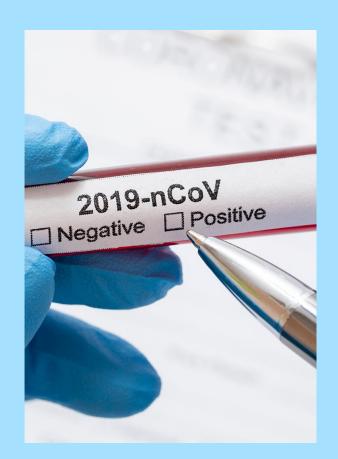
- Urgent R&D and Innovation activities to cope with COVID-19;
 - Focus on developing the higher-quality medical equipment in 4 mains areas of research
 - (1) N95 for medical purpose
 - (2) PPE Personal Protective Equipment
 - (3) Ventilators/respirators
 - (4) Negative pressure facilities
 - Others medical equipment;
 - Face shield protection
 - Covid-19 Strip Test





The situation of the vaccines research and development

- vaccines testing is to trial the vaccine among people in the large sample size
- vaccines will be launched in the mid year of 2021 (to be available for most people)



Using Emerging Technology in Healthcare System

Use AI or robot reduce the risk's the exposure of infection, provide medical support, and decrease the workload of medical staff

- ▶ Use IT (mobile applications) to acknowledge and update the news/information e.g.
 - Thai Chana Application
 - SydeKick for ThaifightCOVID Application (to collect and track travellers entering Thailand)
 - Aor Sor Mor Online Application
 - Lung Care application (to use at the hospital)





STI Policy for Post-COVID-19 Recovery

New opportunities have emerged in 5 areas;

- Hygienic Kitchen of the World: strengthening food safety and quality standards in food industry
- 2) **High Value-added Products from Innovation and Creativity:** changing manufacturing landscape from low-value commodities to high-priced innovative products
 - 3) Healthy People: increasing health security and promoting precision medicine
 - 4) Happy Destination: revamping tourism industry to focus on safety and sustainability
 - 5) **Harmonious and sustainable society:** advocating for balanced growth by applying circular concept

