From Editorial Desk

New wave of coronavirus: Alarming situation in India

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The first week of April of this year is again forcing to recall the last year's pandemic. It was January, 2020, when some patients were identified as COVID-19 positive, at February of last year it was confirmed for the human to human transmission in Wuhan. Lastly, in the march of March, 2020, WHO announced this spread of corona virus as pandemic (1).

We have learnt a lot to protect ourselves from the pandemic like- wearing of mask, social distancing and use of sanitizer. Several articles have been published regarding the structure and mode of transmission of the virus. The pharmacology of different available drugs, WHO guidelines, home remedies and many more was the review topics of that current time. The effect of the corona virus on prime human organs was the interest. Psychological and behavioral signs of people of all classes at post corona era was the research topics (2-9).

We were successful to control the spread of pandemic in 2020 (Table 1 and Graph 1)(10) and maybe we have neglected the practice of maintenance of hygienic condition in our daytoday life. The result was clearly in front of us. The spread and daily new cases are again alarming in the month of April, 2021 (Table 2 and Graph 2)(10).

Table 1: Date wise daily new cases in India(2020)

Date	Daily New Cases
July,31	57704
August, 30	79457
September,17	96793
October,14	67988
November,21	45295
December,18	26991
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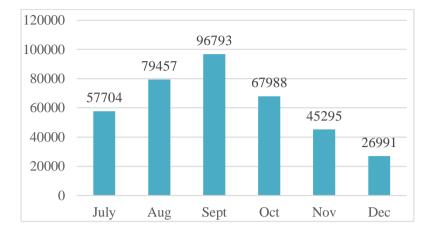
Table 2: Date wise daily new cases in India(2021)

Date	Daily New Cases
February, 20	14315
March, 18	39643
April, 01	81441
April, 04	103793
April, 09	144829

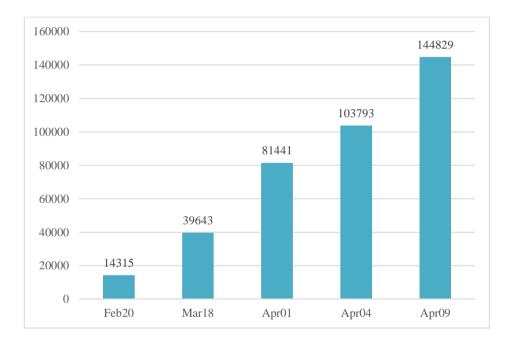
Though the vaccination program is going on positively and approximately 0.9% (total no 12709186) population has already been vaccinated and 6.5% (total no 88885961) population has been



Graph 1: Daily new cases in India (2020)



Graph 2: Daily new cases in India (2021)



vaccinated and 6.5% (total no 88885961) population has been vaccinated for 1st dose (11). The new pandemic wave in Maharashtra and more than 60,000 new cases have been reported on daily basis. The result of these alarming figures is lockdown or night curfew. The effect of lockdown on economy experienced by all in the last year. To resist the outbreak this pandemic again we have to focus on the basic guidelines of the government. The awareness and practice of using mask and sanitizer are must if you are going out. All the guidelines announced by the government should be strictly followed.

As a pharmacist, we have to aware the common people about the effect of COVID-19 again and we have to stop this pandemic with the help of other health workers.

Stay safe, use mask and sanitizers. Avoid mass gathering and maintain the social distancing.

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