

## **Complete lockdown in Chennai, 3 neighbouring districts from June 19 to 30**

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### **The decision was taken in view of a rapid increase in coronavirus infections in the state**

In view of an increase in coronavirus infections in Chennai and neighbouring districts, the Tamil Nadu government has announced a complete lockdown in four districts from June 19 to 30. The decision — for Chennai, Kancheepuram, and Tiruvallur and Chengalpet districts— was taken at the Cabinet meeting on Monday.

A medical expert committee constituted by the Tamil Nadu government had recommended a further "tightening" in certain lockdown relaxations made in Chennai earlier.

As of Sunday evening, Tamil Nadu's Covid-19 tally crossed 44,000, with 1974 new cases being reported. Of the total cases, 1,415 were from Chennai alone. While 1,138 patients were discharged after recovery, there were 38 new Covid-19 deaths. The state's total tally reached 44,661 — 19,676 active cases, 24,547 recoveries and 435 deaths.