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Bengaluru- 2 doses of Covid-19 vaccine mandatory to enter malls, theatres. Check details

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In an attempt to mitigate mounting concerns over Covid-19, Bengaluru has made two doses of Covid-19 vaccination mandatory to avail entry into malls, shopping complexes, theatres and cinema halls.

BBMP officials will conduct regular checks without any prior information. Strict action will be taken under Disaster Management Act 2005 if violated, the CHO, BBMP stated.

Karnataka government has asked all mall visitors for their complete vaccination certificates before entry into the mall.

"This is a very good move to ensure the safety of people by the state govt. There is no reason to not take the Covid vaccine," a visitor said.

Meanwhile, Karnataka on Sunday reported 456 fresh Covid-19 cases and six deaths taking the caseload and cumulative fatalities to 29,98,099 and 38,230 respectively, the state health department said.

In its Covid-19 bulletin, the department said 330 people were discharged, taking the total number of recoveries to 29,52,708. Active cases stood at 7,132. Bengaluru Urban remained the major contributor of Covid-19 cases with 256 fresh infections and two deaths.

Chikkamagaluru district reported 66 cases, which was due to a sudden spurt in Covid-19 cases with a cluster coming up in Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya. The District Health Officer said all those tested positive are asymptomatic but they have been quarantined to prevent the spread of the disease.

Other districts too reported fresh Covid-19 cases including 20 in Dharwad, 17 in Kodagu, 14 in Uttara Kannada 13 in Dakshina Kannada, 12 in Hassan and 10 in Mysuru. Apart from Bengaluru Urban, one fatality each occurred in Bengaluru Rural, Mysuru, Tumakuru and Udupi.

There were zero fatalities in 26 districts. The positivity rate for the day was 0.41% and the case fatality rate was 1.31%. A total of 1,10,556 samples were tested in the state including 93,481 RT-PCR tests on Sunday, taking the cumulative number of specimens examined so far to 5.38 crore.

The number of vaccinations done so far in the state rose to 7.71 crore, with 1,12,234 people being inoculated on Sunday, it said.