Recent Developments

Global News

- More than 150 million cases have been confirmed worldwide, including more than 3.2 million deaths.
- The total number of confirmed cases in India surpassed 20 million. A daily record of more than 400,000 new cases was reported on Friday, as the country’s healthcare system continues to be overwhelmed. With record daily deaths, the total death toll has reached around 220,000.

Regional News

- Cases in Lao PDR continue to grow to more than 900, from only 49 in early April. All provinces are currently in lockdown, until at least tomorrow.
- Cambodia has reported several days with daily records of new infections. The lockdown in Phnom Penh and other provinces will end tomorrow, but some high risk “red zones” will remain under restrictions.
- With elevated numbers of cases and deaths, restrictions in Thailand have been tightened, including the extension of quarantine periods for arrivals, expanding “dark red” zones with strict controls, and a nationwide requirement to wear masks when going out.
- Schools in Hanoi and several other provinces will switch to virtual learning as Vietnam has reported more cases of local transmission. Bars, clubs, and other entertainment venues in Hanoi had to close last Friday.
- In Singapore, locally transmitted cases have risen to 62 in the past week from 14 in the week before, as a cluster of cases at a hospital continued to grow to 35.

Vaccine News

- Novavax joins other vaccine producers in expanding trials to children. The vaccine, awaiting approval in the United Kingdom sometime this quarter, will be tested in a trial in children between 12 and 17 years old.
ASEAN+3 and Selected Economies: Confirmed COVID-19 Cases and Deaths

Source: Haver Analytics, sourced from Johns Hopkins University; and AMRO staff calculations.
1/ Values show the 7-day average.

ASEAN+3 and Selected Economies: Total Vaccines Administered

Source: Haver Analytics, sourced from Our World in Data; and AMRO staff calculations.

Note: Single vaccination doses only. This does not measure the number of people vaccinated, as two doses are required with most available vaccines. Data is reported at irregular intervals; numbers show latest available.

ASEAN+3 and Selected Economies: Vaccinations and Aspired Population Coverage

Sources: Our World in Data via Haver Analytics; various media sources; Economist Intelligence Unit; and AMRO staff estimates and calculations.

Note: Percent of population vaccinated shows total administered doses divided by two to reflect the two-dose regime of most vaccines—it does not necessarily reflect the actual number of fully vaccinated people. Aspired 2021 targets and completion dates of widespread vaccination are goals, forecasts, or estimates.