



## **Pandemic: COVID 19**

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The outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 has created a global health crisis that has had a deep impact on the way we perceive our world and our everyday lives. Not only the rate of contagion and pattern of transmission threatens our sense of security, but the safety measures put in place to contain the spread of the virus also require social distancing by refraining from doing what is inherently human, which is to find solace in the company of others. Within this context of physical threat, social and physical distancing, as well as public alarm, what has been the role of the different mass media in our lives; on individual, and societal levels. The coronavirus Covid- 19 pandemic is the defining global health crisis of our time and the greatest challenge we have faced since World War II. Since its emergence in Asia last year (December 31, 2019), the virus has spread to every continent except Antarctica. Cases are rising daily in Africa, the Americas, and Europe.

According to WHO this disease originated and spread from China's Wuhan. Most people infected with this virus experience mild to moderate respiratory illness, cough, moderate temperature; older people and those with underlying medical problems like cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer (collectively known as 'co-morbidity') are more likely to develop serious illness. The virus primarily spreads through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose when an infected person coughs or sneezes, so it is important to practice respiratory etiquette. We can stop the spread of this pandemic by washing our hands with soap or using alcohol based hand rub solution, and not touching face.

Till date no specific vaccines or treatments for covid-19 has been successfully developed. However, there are many ongoing clinical trials evaluating potential treatments. Countries are racing to slow the spread of the virus by testing and treating patients, carrying out contact tracing, limiting travel, quarantining citizens, and cancelling large gathering such as sporting events concerts, schools, markets, and malls. Every country, along with India started the process of lockdown step by step. The most affected areas seem to be the business hubs. The pandemic is moving like a wave. More

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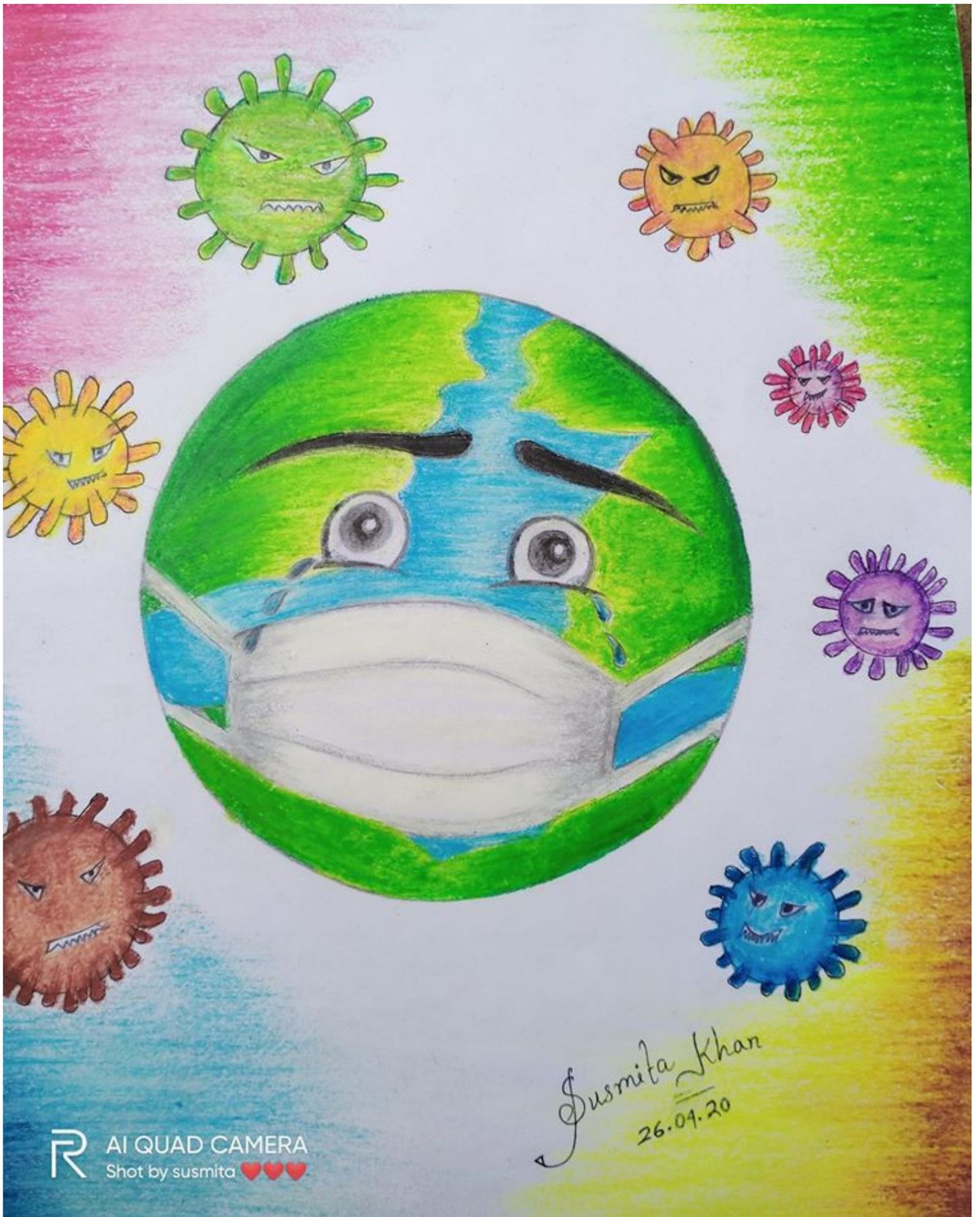
This pandemic has wreaked havoc on world's social and economic life. Everyday people are losing jobs and income, with no way of knowing when normalcy will return. Small island nations, heavily dependent on tourism, are among the worst affected. The international labour organization estimate that 195 million jobs could be lost.

United Nations secretary general Antonio Gutierrez has launched US \$2 billion global humanitarian response plan in the most vulnerable countries, especially those with other outbreaks such a Ebola HIV, SARS, TB and malaria, as well as our long history of working with the private and public sector; UNDP will help country to urgently and effectively respond to covid-19 as part of its mission to eradicate poverty, reduce inequality and build resilience to crises. In these challenging times, we are all navigating through uncertainty, yet hope that the human race will finally emerge the champion of life.

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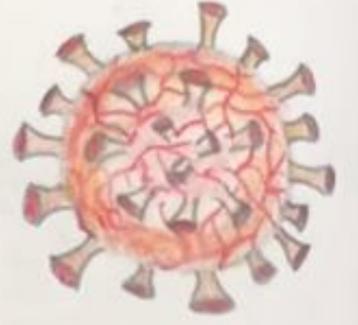




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Coronavirus Symptoms

Cough

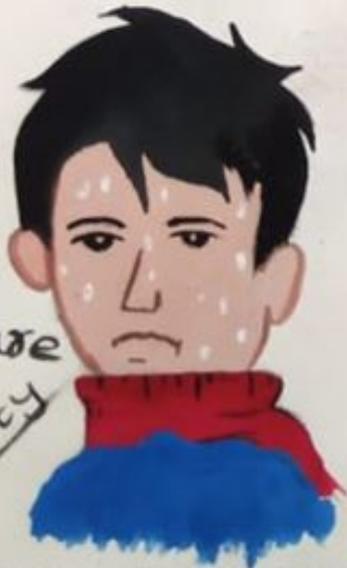


Sneeze



High temperature

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throat pain

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