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# Karnataka set to get 1,279 ventilators by month-end

## CM holds virtual meet with officials from hospital

BENGALURU, DHNS *5/8/20*  
Getting to 'Work from Hospital' mode, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa held a review meeting with officials on increasing ventilator beds in Karnataka, on Tuesday.

According to a statement from the Chief Minister's Office (CMO), Karnataka received a fresh batch of 681 ventilators from the Central government under PM-CARES fund recently and another 1,279 ventilators are expected by the end of August.

In the review meeting held over phone, the CM directed authorities to appoint the necessary staff like an anaesthetists, paramedics and nurses required, to utilise the ventilators. "All the ventilators should be

installed immediately," he said. Of the 681 ventilators received under PM-CARES, 166 were installed in Bengaluru city and 169 in other parts of the state. The remaining 346 ventilators will be installed by the end of this week.

**Offer by pvt hospitals**  
Following proposals made by private hospitals to deploy their ventilators to treat Covid-19 patients, Yediyurappa asked officials to consider the same. These ventilators will be used 'temporarily for Covid purposes,' after the government and private hospitals agree on terms and conditions, the CMO statement said.

Yediyurappa is under observation at Manipal Hospital after testing positive for Covid-19 on Sunday evening.



**Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa clears files at Manipal Hospital in Bengaluru, where he is under treatment for Covid-19, on Tuesday.**

**CM doing fine**  
Manipal Hospital has issued a statement, saying that the health of Yediyurappa was stable and that he was responding to treatment. "He is cheerful and attending to his activities. He is closely being monitored by an expert panel of doctors," the hospital said.

## Siddaramaiah tests positive for Covid-19

Opposition leader Siddaramaiah tested positive for Covid-19 and was admitted to Manipal Hospital, Old Airport Road on Tuesday.

He is at the same hospital where Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa will remain for the next few days after he too tested positive on Sunday evening.

Nearly 150 people who came in contact with him underwent rapid antigen test in Mysuru, and 21 people, including police personnel and house staff of his residence, in Bengaluru, underwent tests. Most, including writer Devanuru Mahadeva, tested negative. Tests were also carried out in

Mandya, as the former CM had attended an event last Friday.

Siddaramaiah revealed that he was tested positive on Tuesday morning. His son and MLA Dr



**Siddaramaiah**

Yathindra said that Siddaramaiah had fever since Monday morning and was admitted to the hospital in the evening. "He tested positive in the Antigen test," he said.

According to sources, the Congress leader was stable and fever had reduced during the day.

BJP MLA from Sagar Hartal Halappa also tested positive for Covid-19. Three others - his wife, car driver and an assistant - also tested positive.