

The outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic at the beginning of 2020 has affected global and regional mobility, including mobility in Bangladesh, through various travel disruptions and restrictions.

To better understand how the pandemic affects global mobility, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) developed an online tool and database to register points of entry, exit and transit - such as airports and land and blue border crossing points - where mobility restrictions and preparedness and response measures are in place. To support these efforts, over a period of 12 months, the Displacement Tracking Matrix Regional Evidence for Migration Analysis and Policy (DTM REMAP) team in Bangladesh mapped and gathered data on the locations, statuses and restrictions at Points of Entry (PoE) in the country.

The information gathered allows more in-depth analysis to uncover specific trends related to the locations, statuses and restrictions of PoEs in Bangladesh.

In February 2021, the DTM REMAP team in Bangladesh assessed 23 PoEs. The most common type of PoE reported was land borders (12), followed by airports (8) and blue borders (3). Internal transit points are not taken into account for analysis in this snapshot.

During the PoE reporting period (April 2020 - February 2021), the number of assessed PoEs in Bangladesh increased from 19 to 23¹ PoEs. The status of the PoEs changed notably. None of the PoEs were fully operational at the beginning of the assessment. However, by February 2021, 10 PoEs were fully operational, nine were partially operational, three were fully closed and one was unknown.

ASSESSED POES BY TYPE (AS OF FEBRUARY 2021)

23

Points of entry were assessed in February 2021.

12 Land borders

3 Blue borders

8 Airports

0 Internal transit points

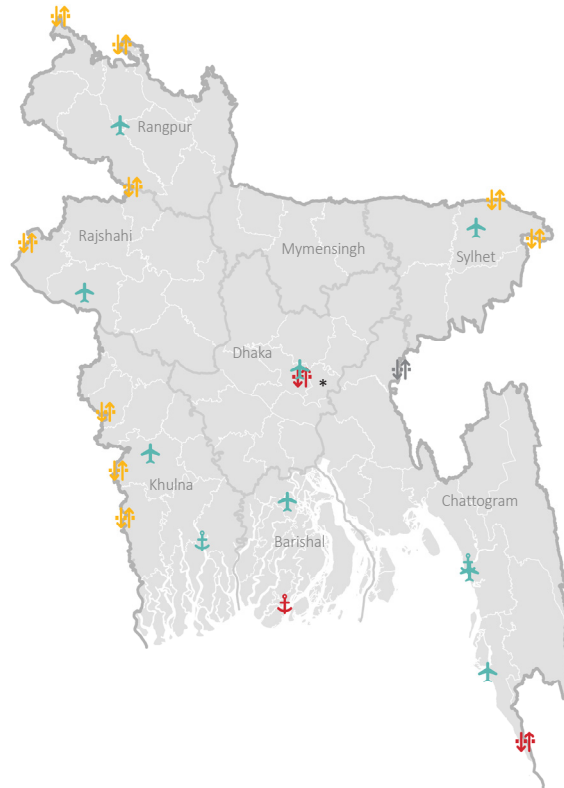
LOCATIONS AND STATUSES OF POES (AS OF FEBRUARY 2021)

Point of entry

- Land border
- Airport
- Blue border

Operational status PoE

- Fully operational
- Partially operational
- Fully closed
- Unknown status



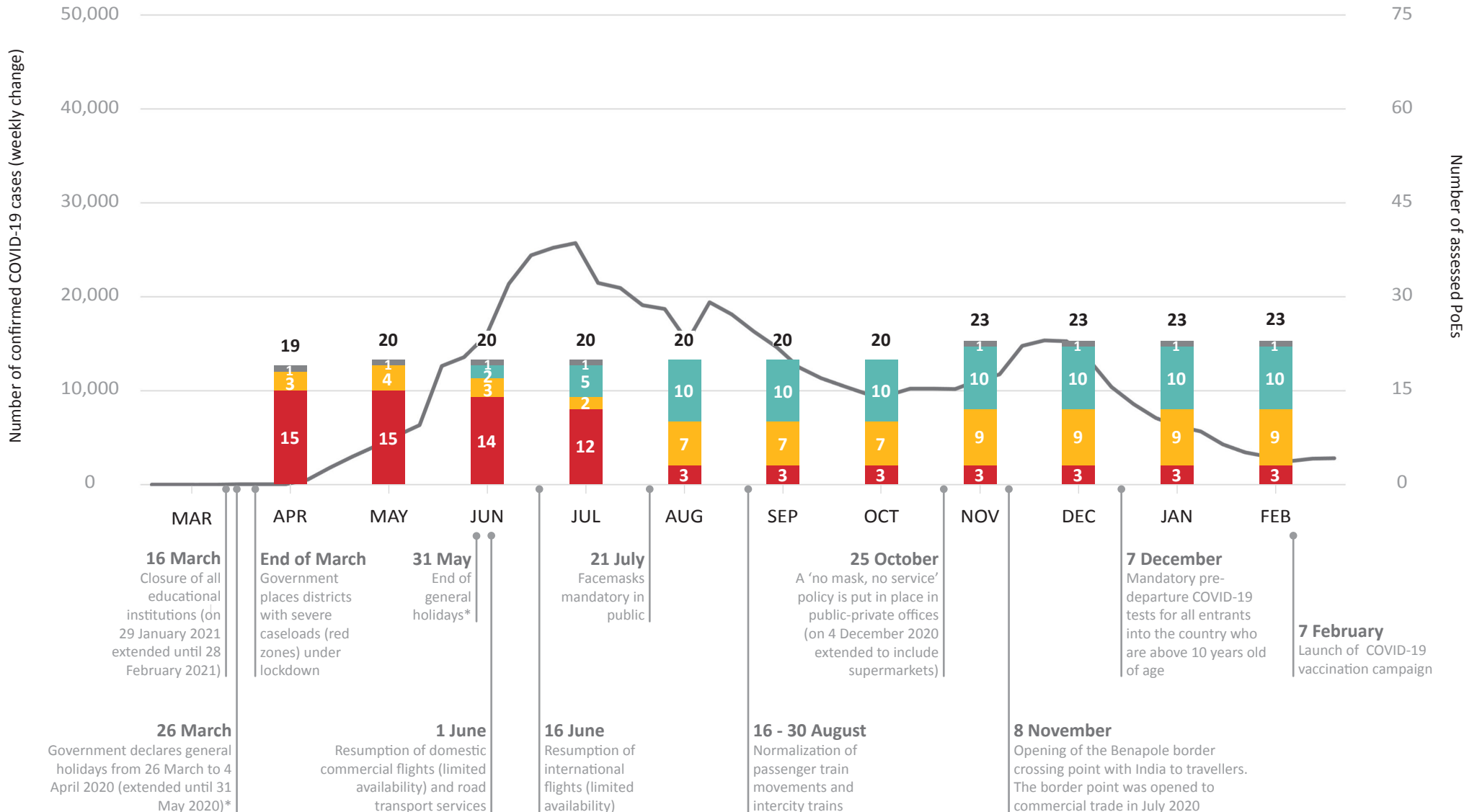
¹ Number only represents land borders, airports and blue borders.

* The Cantonment Railway Station is categorized as a land border in this report as it functions as a major rail transit point between Bangladesh and India.

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Timeline of confirmed national COVID-19 cases (weekly change), status of PoEs and country-level mobility restrictions



*General holidays include measures such as the closure of businesses and offices, educational institutions and a ban on all modes of transport.