

Factsheet by SDC Foundation on

Post Maha Kumbh 2021

Period : May 1 - June 15, 2021

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As rampant Covid19 test allegations during the Maha Kumbh period of April 1-30, 2021 surface in Haridwar, it is equally important to closely examine all tests taking place currently in the district. The comparatively, very low positivity rate in the district of Haridwar is a matter of both research and investigation. In this short report, we compare the positivity reports for the post Maha Kumbh period in Uttarakhand for the period of May 1 – June 15,2021

Haridwar District

Tests : 314204
Cases :18312
Positivity Rate : 5.83%

Other 12 Districts of Uttarakhand

Tests : 1071142
Cases : 138616
Positivity Rate : 12.94%

Key Data Findings:

1. 23% of all Covid19 tests in Uttarakhand during the above period, May 1 – June 15, 2021 took place in Haridwar district.
2. Positivity Rate in Haridwar district is 55% less than the Positivity Rate in other 12 districts of Uttarakhand during May 1 – June 15, 2021

Comments and Observations:

1. Considering the wide spread report of Covid19 test allegations in Haridwar, it is important that all test results and testing processes are immediately rechecked by the state government.
2. All labs, private as well as government, need to calibrate their processes to ensure data accuracy .
3. The alleged irregularities in the district of Haridwar have cast a major shadow of doubt on entire Covid19 data being reported in Uttarakhand.
4. If the final investigation proves data inaccuracies, then the Government of Uttarakhand should not hesitate in accepting errors. In such a scenario, it should also not hesitate to change the overall state data.
5. Incorrect conclusions on the basis of false figures weaken the fight against the pandemic.
6. Public participation is key in the fight against the pandemic. Complete transparency is the need of the hour to lift morale and encourage people to adopt covid appropriate behaviour.

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