Hi there.


This weekly digest is designed to support busy newsrooms as well as fact-checking and community organisations. We link you with the tools you need to provide your communities with accurate information to combat rumours and misinformation.

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If you have any questions, requests for resources, feedback or would like to let us know when our tools have been useful, you can email us at any time at [covid-19@internews.org](mailto:covid-19@internews.org).

**This week's tools.**

**People’s Perspectives—What are people saying about the virus?**

This week the [third edition](#) of the Internews COVID-19 Rumour Bulletin analyses key trends in rumours, and misinformation shared on social media in seven languages. This week they take a look at rumours about vaccines, virus mutations, and reinfection.
Edition 2 of the Social media Rumour Bulletin is now available in Vietnamese, Thai, and Bahasa Indonesia.

With an increase in rumours about COVID-19 vaccines, Internews has produced this guide on how media can respond to this growing community concern.

To address the spread of misinformation and rumors about COVID-19, BBC Media Action in India has produced “Countdown”, a 60-second film that asks us all to take 10 seconds to think before we forward messages on social media. You can find it on Twitter, Facebook, and YouTube.

BBC Media Action in Bangladesh also produced the second edition of Corona Kotha which highlights the community’s perceptions, worries, and concerns over the COVID-19 pandemic. The e-bulletin is available in Bangla and English.

Accountability Lab has released rumour bulletins highlighting COVID-19-related concerns and questions from communities in Nepal, Pakistan, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, and South Africa.

If you missed Internews’ recent webinar about the impact of COVID-19 on press freedom, the full recording is now available online. (Webinar in English)

Last week the Earth Journalism Network (EJN) looked at the place of this
pandemic in our global environmental crisis. Full recording available online. (Webinar in English)

As many journalists are still working from home, Internews has developed this factsheet full of tips and tools to help you adjust to this new normal. More languages available soon.

Internews has also produced an infographic with tips for journalists reporting on clinical trials in Bangla, Bahasa Indonesia, Burmese, English, Hindi, and Vietnamese.

Translators without Borders (TWB) has translated this short COVID-19 course by Pyramid Learning into Mozambican Portuguese, Indonesian, Hausa, Bangla, Hindi, French, Arabic, and Spanish.

TWB also partnered with IFRC to support with translations for COVID-19 community engagement tools. You can now find their Rapid Assessment tool in Traditional Chinese, Thai, Vietnamese, Indonesian, Tagalog, Korean, Japanese, Malay, Myanmar, Hindi, Bangla.

Evidence Aid’s COVID-19 collection now includes more than 180 plain language summaries of COVID-19 research. Summaries are available in a number of different languages including Arabic, traditional and simplified Chinese, French, Portuguese and Spanish.

Social Science in Humanitarian Action Platform has released this brief on limiting contact between high risk and lower risk individuals to reduce severe COVID-19 cases. Another brief is about challenges facing physical distancing in Eastern and Southern Africa.
BBC Media Action in Cambodia has produced a Khmer language video focusing on simple do’s and don’ts in daily life to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Another creative video features a group chat between SARS and the flu. Using humour and creativity is a great way to grab the attention of your audience who may be experiencing public health communication fatigue.

- **Society of Environmental Journalists** has compiled these resources to aid in reporters covering the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **The Coalition for Women in Journalism** has produced this data visualisation of female journalists covering COVID-19 at the frontline.

- **Apcom** hosted this discussion with Thai LGBTQI and HIV community on the effects of COVID-19 on marginalised groups.

- **Webinar: International Centers for Journalists** (ICFJ) will discuss how media organizations can develop better, sustainable strategies in the face of the pandemic on May 13th. Register here.
• Webinar: ICFJ look at 'After the Lockdown: Is There a Safe Way to Reopen?' on May 14th. Register [here](#).

• Journalists in the Middle-East and North Africa, today is the deadline for registering this webinar held by the International Journalists’ Network to learn more about security skills during the COVID-19 pandemic.

• [Dart Center for Journalism and Trauma](#) offers a webinar on May 13th for journalists to learn about documenting obituaries in the time of coronavirus. Register [here](#).

• Dart Center also provides tips for handling sensitive remote interviews during the COVID-19 pandemic. The [Arabic](#) version is also available.

• [Wash’Em](#) has compiled COVID-19 resources including webinars, multimedia, and many more on [this page](#).

• [Hygiene Hub](#) also shares these COVID-19 resources and frequently asked questions.

**Who are we?** We are a group of organisations funded by the H2H Network who work to improve access to quality information in a crisis. Find out more about our organisations here: [Internews](#), [Translators without Borders](#), [BBC Media Action](#), [Evidence Aid](#). With valuable support from [Standby Task Force](#) and [Anthrologica](#).
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