



## COVID-19: Can it be the Biggest Deception to Maintain Domination?

The propaganda by the world governments has immersed people with COVID-19. Widespread panic has overwhelmed the masses with their minds constantly being occupied with fighting the COVID-19 pandemic. The UN chief considered it as a worst crisis since World War II. Studying the influenza and influenza led illness (ILI) patterns in the last decade and the plans and policies of governments surrounding the pandemic, COVID-19 could well be the biggest deception to maintain global domination!

The WHO states that the annual influenza cases are about **3-5 million** cases resulting in about **250,000 to 500,000 deaths**. Tuberculosis in **2016** resulted in **1.3 million deaths** [1]. Hunger is the highest cause of deaths that kills more people than AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria combined, killing 9 million every year [7].

The seasonal (Dec-Mar) influenza deaths in the U.S. amounts to an annual average of **25,470** deaths from **1976-77** to **2002-03** flu seasons. [8]. In **2017-2018** flu season alone, the U.S saw a peak in cases causing hospitals to be overwhelmed with flu cases and with the number of deaths reaching **61,099** of which **50,903** were from the **65+ years** age group [9]. A **2019** study in the Lancet publication estimated China's annual influenza deaths to be an average of **88,100** and **80%** of these deaths occurred in the **age group of 60 and above** [10]. Italy saw **68,000** deaths in the winter seasons during the period **2013-14 to 2016-17** [11]. In this study, the higher number of deaths in Italy was attributed to the large number of old subjects living there.

The influenza mortality rate has also been affected by factors like pollution and lack of advanced health facilities available in the country. Italy has recorded high mortality rates due to influenza owing to the high level of pollution in its cities [14]. High pollution has been related with lower lung efficiency and higher incidence of chronic respiratory illness like Asthma. Such people have been prone to seasonal influenza with higher death rates. Germany has 2.5 times more intensive care units compared with Italy [15]. These facilities also have seemed to play a role in reduced mortality rate in some countries.

In a very recently published paper in **March 2020**, the mortality rate of the novel Coronavirus has been shown to be not much different to the existing different strains of coronaviruses [13]. Moreover the fear and panic created by the media in the past few months could have resulted in a more accurate or even exaggerated recording of the numbers by associating the presence of the virus at the time of death rather than actual circumstances of the deaths as raised by Dr Sucharit Bhakdi in his letter to the German Chancellor [2].

Based on the above data points, it is clear that COVID-19 is not much different than the influenza situation of the past decade. Influenza (aka Flu) or Influenza Led Illness (especially Respiratory variant) are communicable by touch and contact, has higher mortality rate on older people similar to COVID-19. If COVID-19 switches on the panic button, then the trend regarding influenza in the past decade shows that the panic should have begun long ago with daily, monthly infections and death counts like COVID-19. Setting this context, the following observations can be made regarding the circumstances surrounding COVID-19:

1. WHO came up with a report in Nov 2019 regarding the need for reaching new vaccination markets namely Brazil, India, Pakistan, Ethiopia, Nigeria and the Philippines [3]. WHO reports in the past decade have repeatedly acknowledged the need for combating the effects of influenza through new vaccines! COVID-19 global hype further strengthens the efficient implementation of screening, vaccination and reporting models from most countries which otherwise was proving to be a major challenge for the few economies involved in healthcare and pharma products.

2. A high-level pandemic exercise was conducted by Johns Hopkins Centre in partnership with World Economic Forum and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in Oct 2019 in New York. The exercise aimed to address the co-ordination required between the governments, international organizations and various private sectors during a pandemic response. The scenario had a pandemic that emerged from Brazil (in southern hemisphere) spreading throughout the world affecting millions of people. Further, the IMF's 7<sup>th</sup> Statistical Forum

Conference in Nov 2019 was convened to assess the Informal Economy of developing countries where it is sometimes as high as 90%. David Lipton in his opening remarks cited one of the objectives for measuring the informal economy as evaluating debt sustainability and applying fiscal rule. [5] Lockdown was amongst the important measures applied to manage the COVID-19 pandemic and was likely to force a recession in formal economy and hurt the informal economy significantly world over. It also meant stimulus programmes to revive the economy of the affected countries and they must be calibrated and measured to manage the recession, especially in Sub Saharan and Asian nations. It can be stated that the workshop assessment of Johns Hopkins Centre gave a steer on managing COVID-19, whilst the IMF Statistical Forum convention gave out the factors for Lockdown and Stimulus management forced by COVID-19. The difference though is COVID-19 emerged from China (in northern hemisphere) spreading throughout the world.

3. The current World Order has used COVID-19 to implement its existing and newly planned control frameworks. The economic stimulus package of \$5 trillion is likely to inherit new policy control measures with regards to trade and economy other than healthcare. There is also a push to implement Digital Surveillance to control COVID-19. Various software applications have been released by governments which has invaded the privacies of their citizens by justifying the collection of data to control COVID-19. It is very likely that these platforms will outlive their use post COVID-19.

4. Even before the attack on Tablighi Jamaat by the rabid Islamophobic Indian media, there has been an attempt to associate the spread of COVID-19 with Islam. The Independent report on March 19<sup>th</sup> in an article noted that the cultural habits of Muslim communities, as part of Islam, are contradictory to what government advises to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Many Islamic practices like shaking hands, hugs, congregational prayers, extended families and crowded Muslim funerals were associated with the spread of COVID-19 [6]. This seem to have been deliberate so that the existing War on Terror narrative is sustained and not killed by COVID-19.

5. The whopping 9 million hunger deaths is probably the worst crisis and is truly supposed to be a genuine cause of concern around the world [7]. The champions fighting COVID-19 such as UN, America, Europe, India, China have all highlighted about saving every life from COVID-19, almost seem deaf over hunger and poverty that kills about 25,000 per day! The articulated hypocrisy of these nations only confirms the pandemic armour they adorn concealing their ill intentions.

6. The US led \$5tr stimulus is sure to set the modalities of its use in the coming years across the world. It is very much anticipated that the economic revival post COVID-19 will take the trade war with China further deep. However, since the beginning of Mar 2020, China has come out as a major contributor of medical supplies worldwide to the tune of \$1.4bn [16]. But whether stakes will change soon for China is to be seen?

7. A PEW research conducted in Feb 2020 shows that there has been increasing dissatisfaction with democracy in the last decade and is at its lowest so far at <50% [13]. The year 2019 saw a large number of protests in Middle East, Africa, Asia, and European countries. The COVID-19 lockdown has given a relief for these governments in dealing with protests and providing an extended lease to Democracy as a system of government over people.

Thus, it is established that the regular Influenza and Influenza Led Illness occurring year on year around the world, coming under intense scrutiny and spotlight of governments and media as COVID-19 to further various objectives and maintain global domination.

## Conclusion

The economic and political framework of the Khilafah state (Caliphate) will ensure the following:

1. The Khilafah state does not rule by deception. Rasoolullah (saw) said: «مَا مِنْ وَالْ بَلِي رَعِيَّةً مِنْ (المُسْلِمِينَ فَيَمُوتُ وَهُوَ غَاشٌ لَهُمْ إِلَّا حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ الْجَنَّةَ» (If any ruler having the authority to rule Muslim subjects dies while he is deceiving them, Allah will forbid Paradise for him." The position of ruling is an Amanah (trust), so the rulers fear Allah (swt) in fulfilling their duties to the people. 2. The Khilafah state takes care of the people and focuses on the right health care. The state will not view a pandemic as an economic opportunity, but instead focus on immediately on preventive measures. The state will allocate funds purely with a motive to find the right cure and not as an investment that promises good returns.

3. Hunger is clearly a worse "pandemic" than COVID-19 or any other disease. As the leading cause of death in the world, this would be the top priority for the Khilafah state. The economic framework of the Khilafah state which focuses on distribution, rather than production, would enable it to achieve zero hunger deaths with much ease. Rasoolullah (saw) said: Uthman ibn Affan reported: The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said, «لَيْسَ لِابْنِ آدَمَ حَقٌ فِي سِوَى هَذِهِ الْحُبْزِ وَالْمَاءِ» (There is no right for the son of Adam other than these things: a house in which he lives, a garment to cover his nakedness, a piece of bread, and water." [Tirmidhi]

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