

DBT-ILS starts whole genome sequencing of coronavirus



New Delhi, May 22: The Department of Biotechnology's Bhubaneswar-based Institute of Life Sciences (DBT-ILS) has started the whole genome sequencing of coronavirus and is targeting to report sequences of nearly 200 virus genomes as a part of the DBT consortium, which is aiming to report 1,000 viruses by June. The Institute is also continuing to test corona samples with dedicated efforts of scientists and students. It continues adding to the services, adhering to all safety guidelines. It has successfully completed 15,940 tests accounting for nearly 20% of the tests conducted in the eastern State of Odisha. The samples received at ILS were spread across 16 districts. The results are being disseminated to ICMR in a timely manner for further follow-up actions.

The information's have been covered by the print media,

<http://www.prameyanews.com/ils-completes-15k-covid-19-tests/>

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