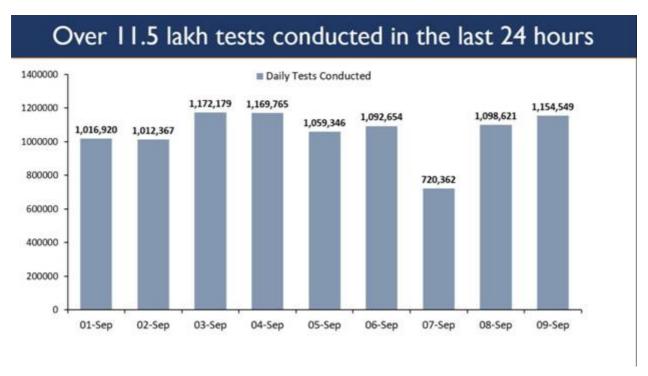
India continues to scale new heights in COVID-19 tests

Over 11.5 lakh tests conducted in the last 24 hour

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On the day when India has registered the highest single day recoveries of nearly 75,000, it continues to set a record in testing too. More than **11.5 lakh** COVID samples have been tested in the last 24 hours.

India is one of the few countries that have reported very high numbers of daily testing. The daily testing capacity has already crossed 11 lakh. With 11,54,549 tests conducted in the last 24 hours, India has further strengthened the national diagnostic capacity.



With this achievement, the cumulative tests have crossed **5.18 crore** (5,18,04,677).



Timely diagnosis through higher levels of country-wide testing has furnished valuable opportunities to isolate or hospitalize the positive cases adequately in advance for appropriate treatment. This in turn has facilitated lower mortality rates (1.69% today) and speedy recovery.

Expanded diagnostic lab network and facilitation for easy testing across the country through various calibrated measures have given a substantial boost. Building on this achievement, the Tests Per Million (TPM) have seen a sharp increase to 37,539. It continues to maintain the constant upward trend.

From one testing lab in Pune in January 2020, today the country stands strengthened with **1678** labs including **1040** labs in the government sector and **638** private labs These include:

- Real-Time RT PCR based testing labs: 854 (Govt: 469 + Private: 385)
- TrueNat based testing labs: 703 (Govt: 537 + Private: 166)
- CBNAAT based testing labs: 121 (Govt: 34 + Private: 87)

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