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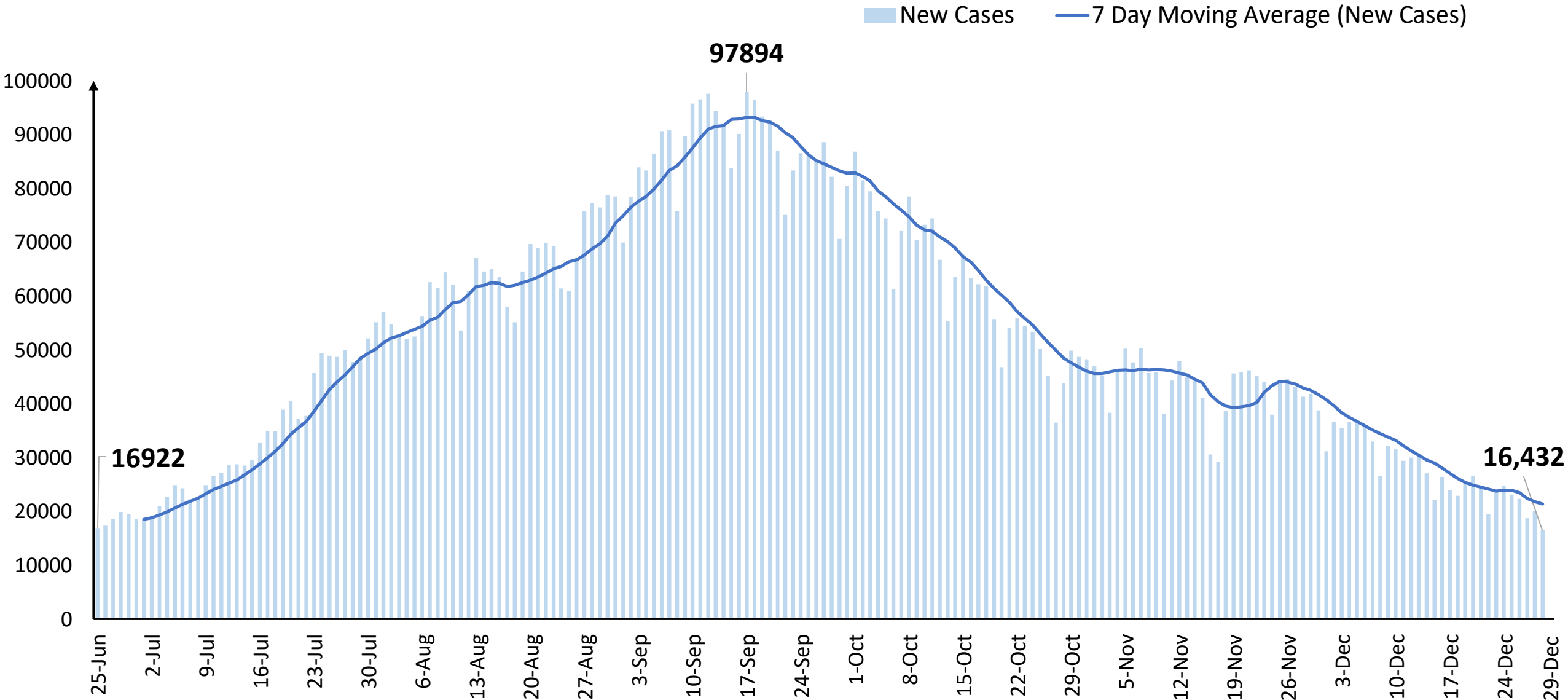
Press Briefing

29th December 2020

Major highlights this week

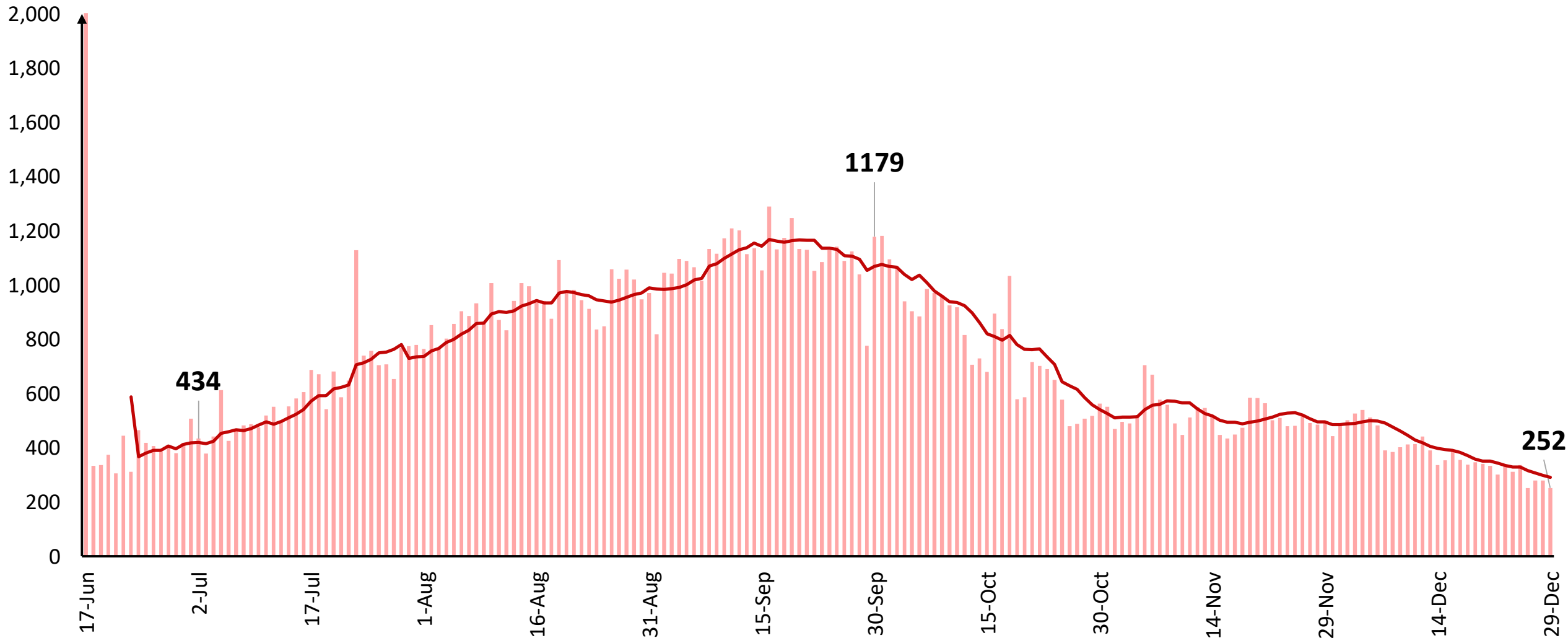
- **Active cases less than 2.7 lakhs after 6 months and declining**
- **Cumulative positivity rate, 6.02%**
- **Positivity rate during last week, 2.25%**
- **INSACOG, a consortium of 10 govt. labs starts genome sequencing of SARS-CoV-2 variant**

Daily new cases less than 17,000 after 6 months



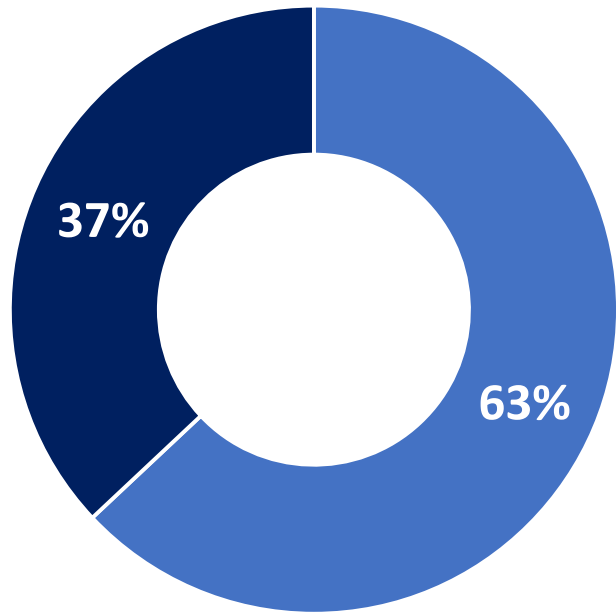
Daily deaths less than 300 after 6 months

■ Daily Deaths — 7 Day Moving Average (Daily Deaths)



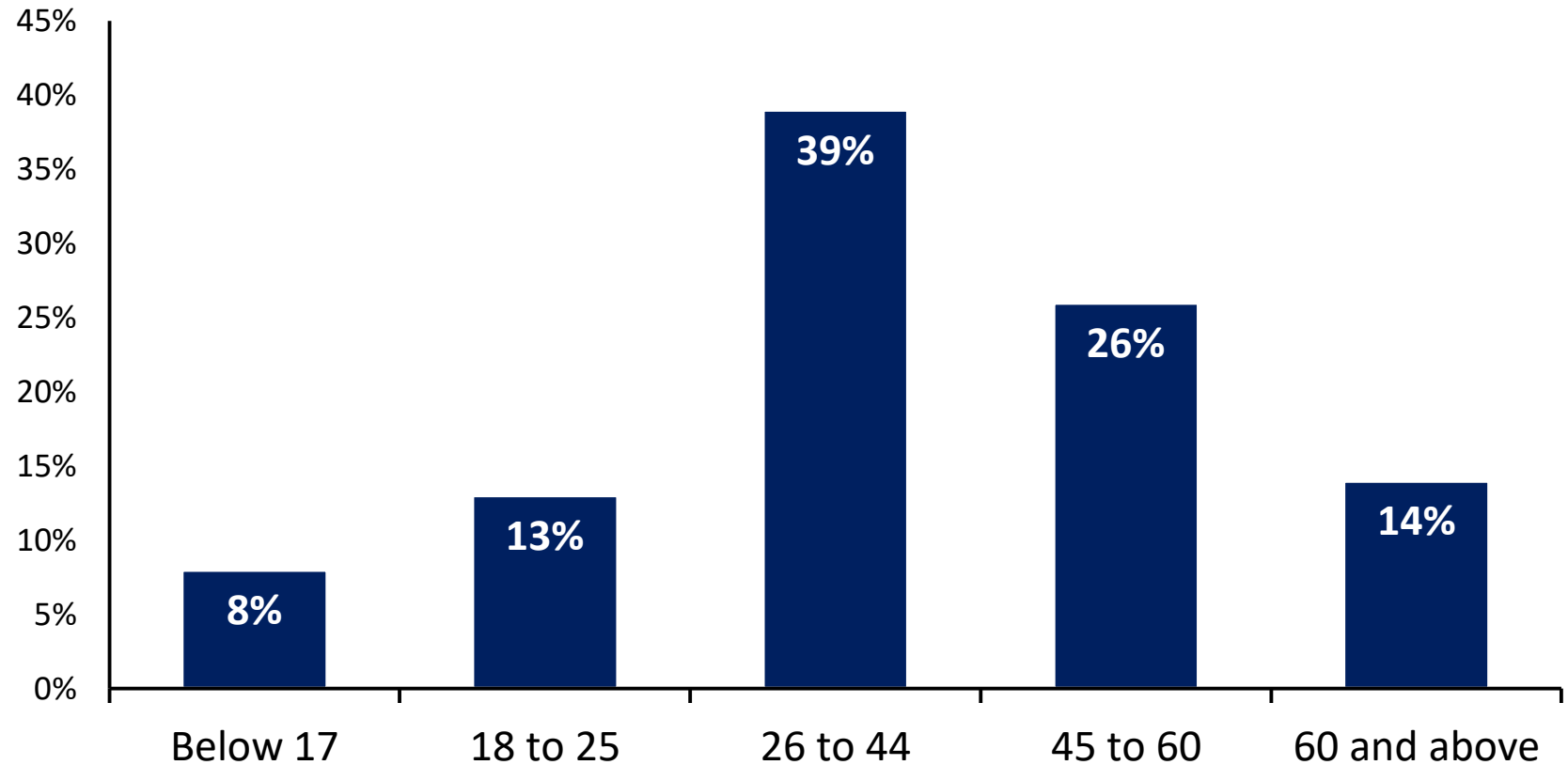
Cases Analysis – Age & Gender wise

Gender



■ Male ■ Female

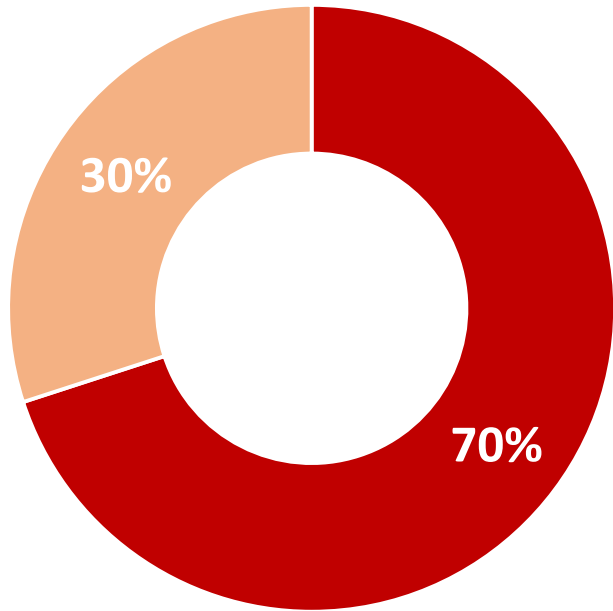
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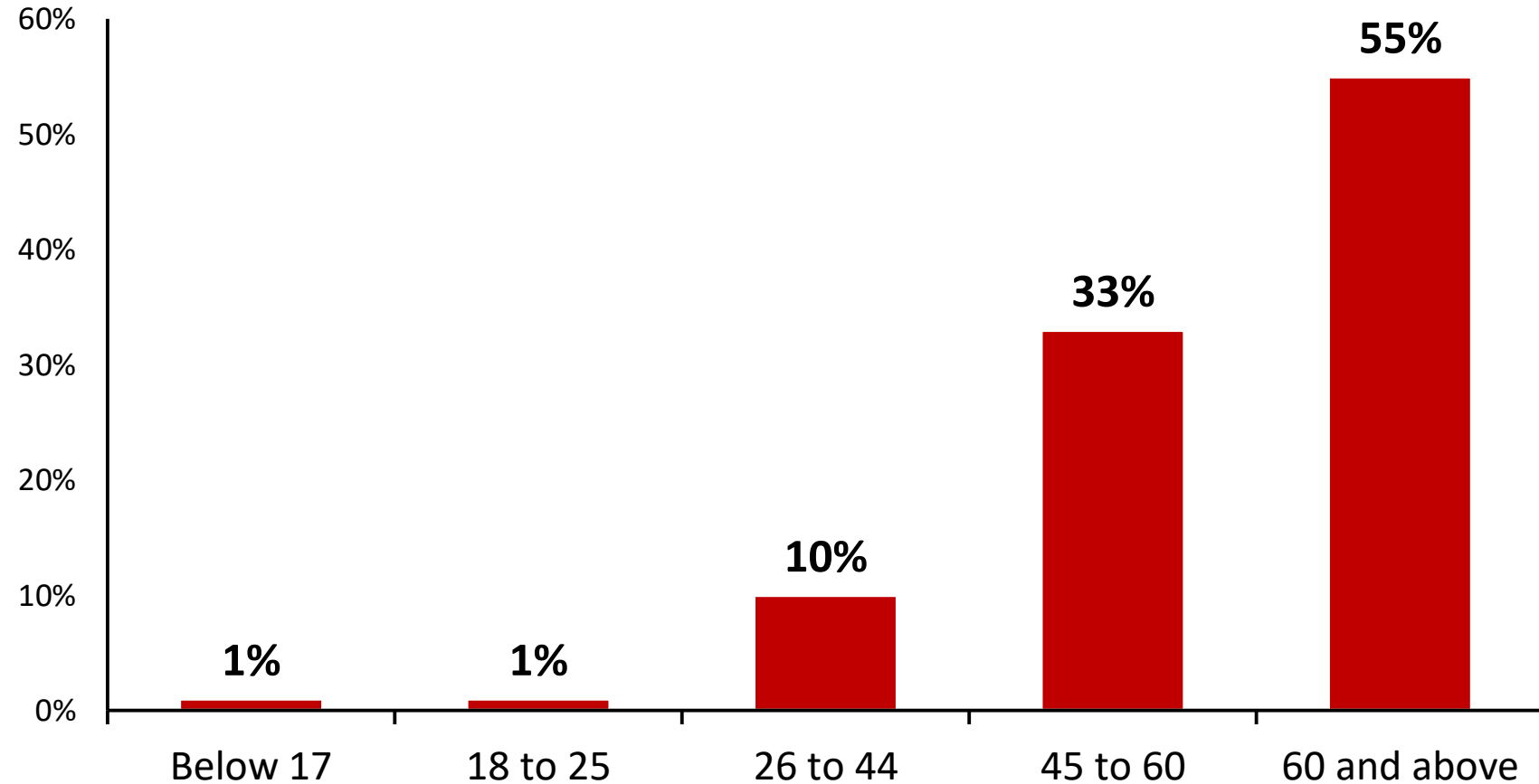
52% cases are in the 18-44 years age group

Mortality Analysis – Age & Gender wise

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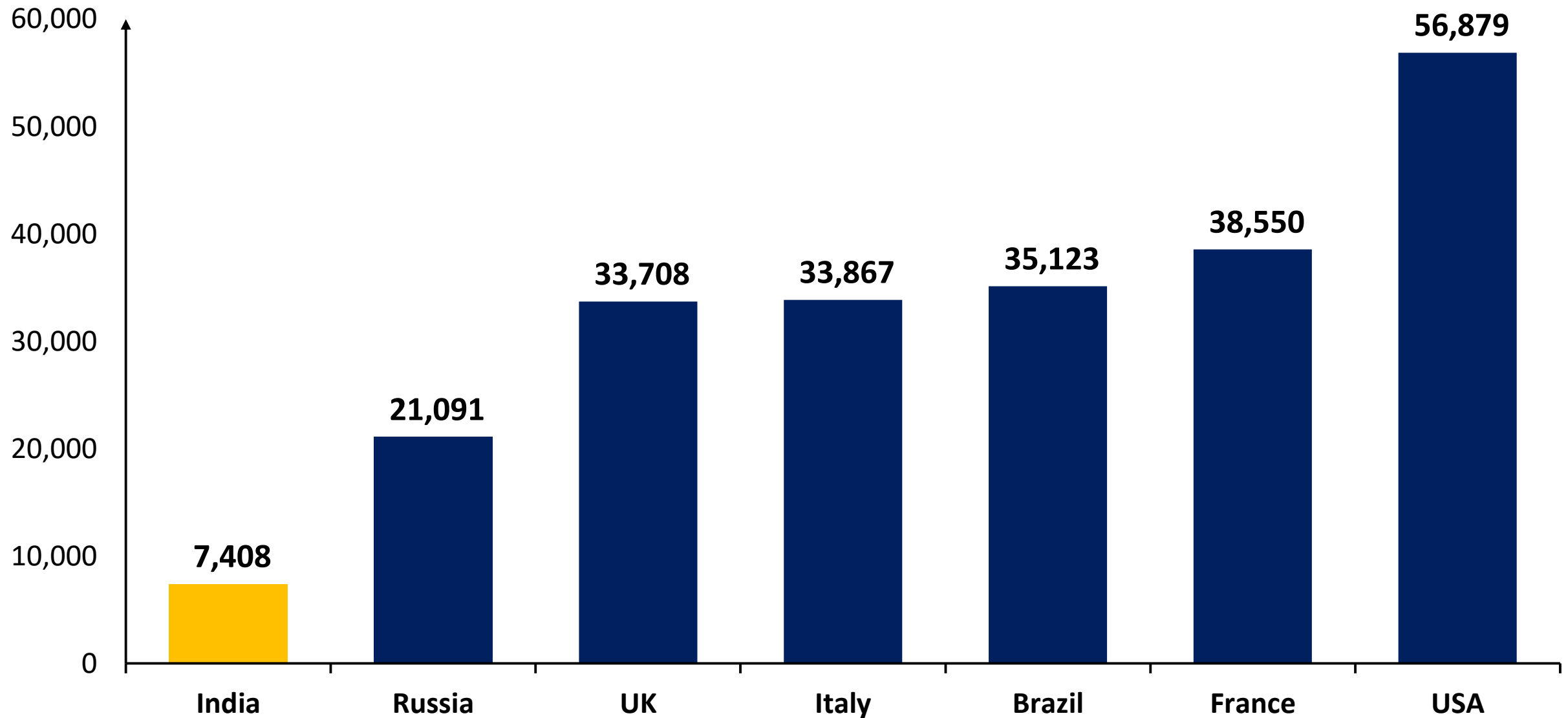


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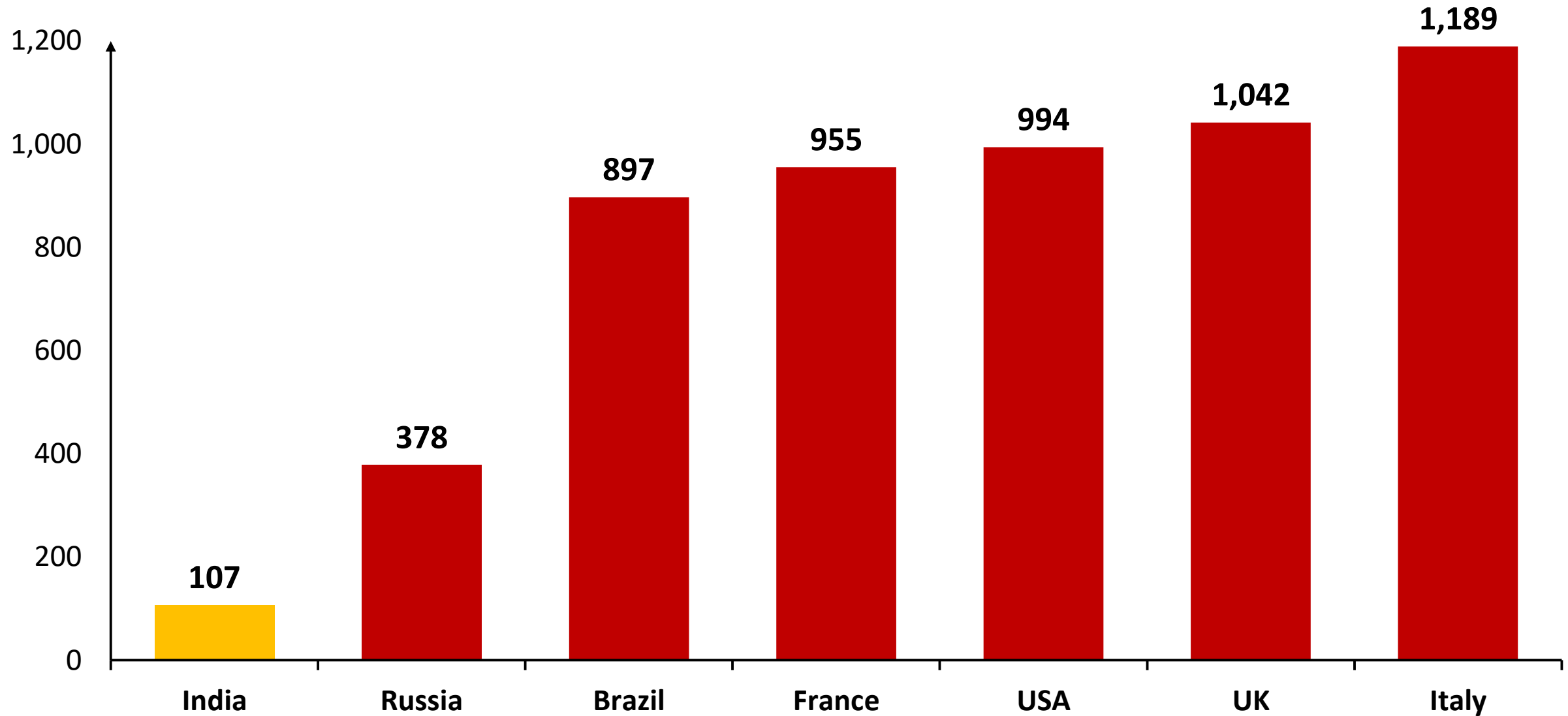


55% deaths are in the 60 years and above age group

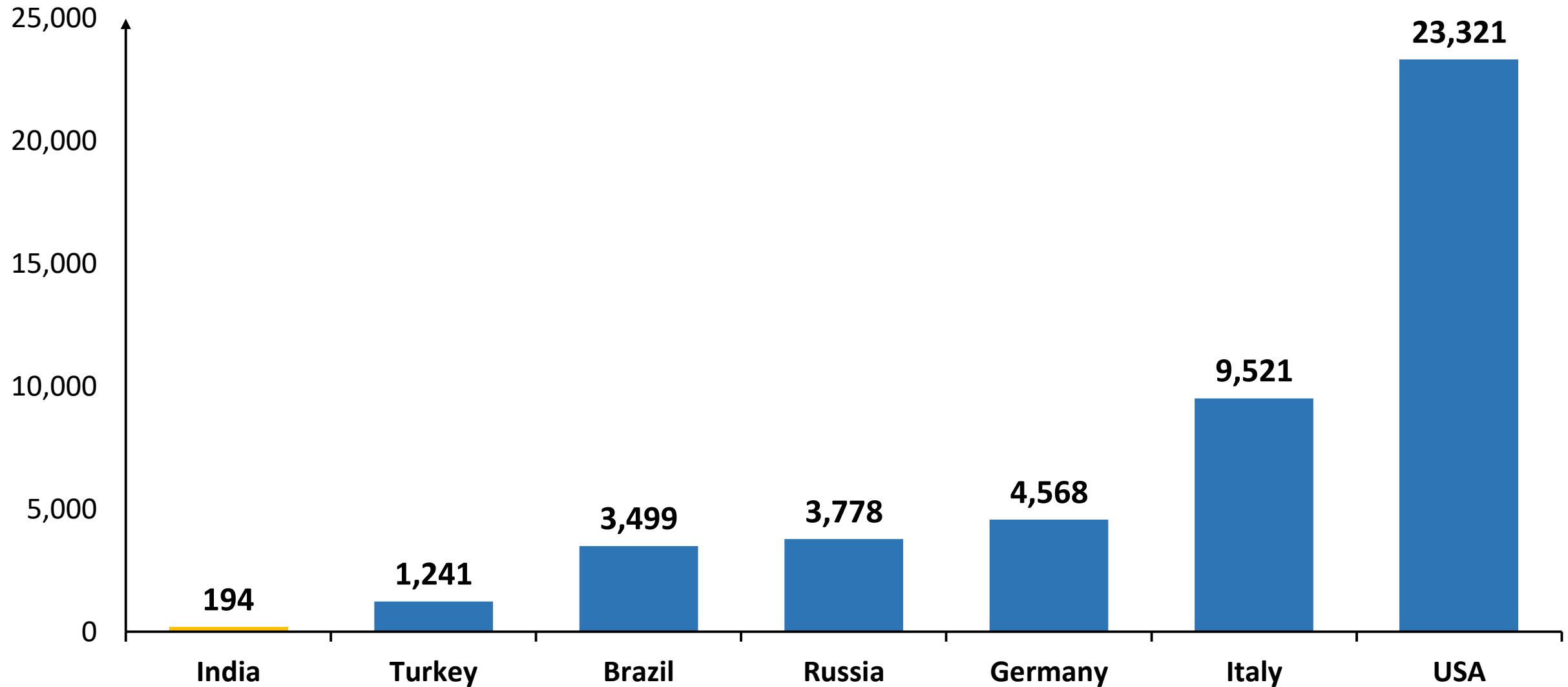
Cases per million population – Amongst the lowest in the world



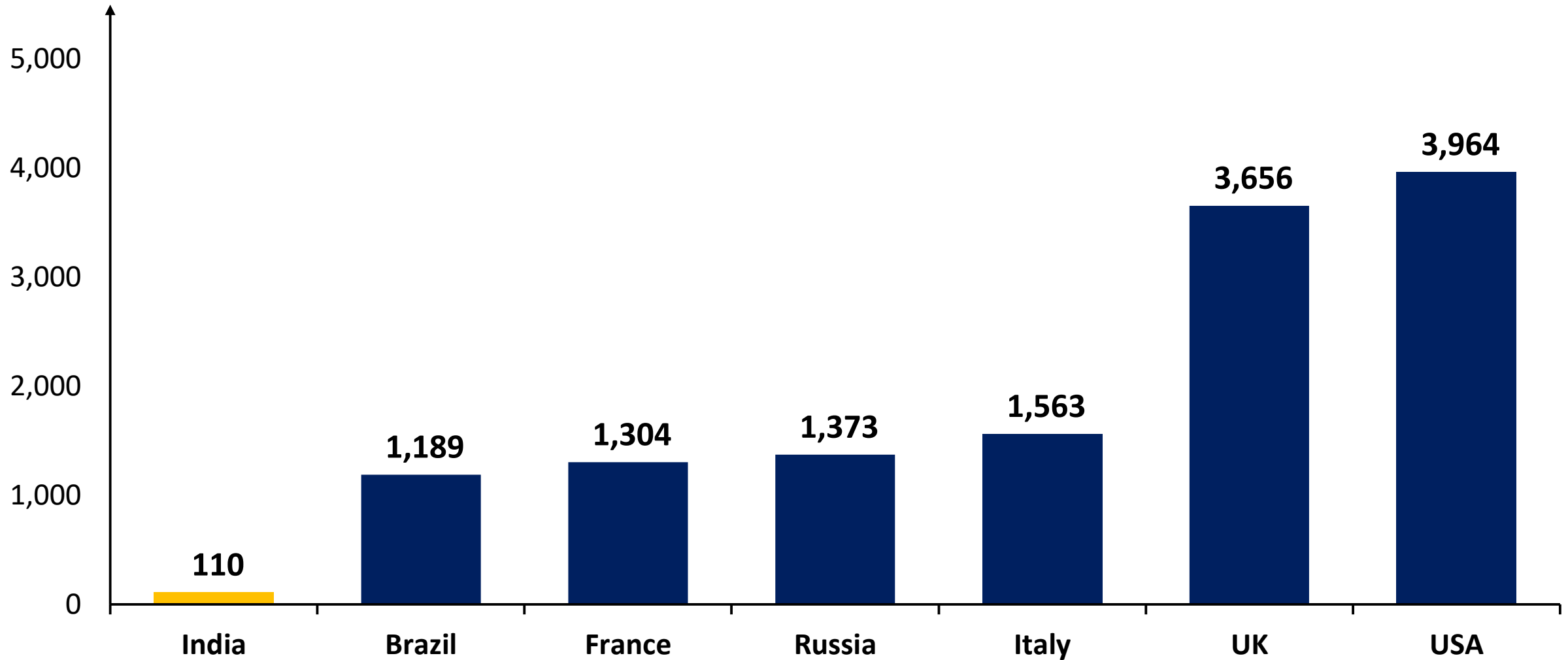
Deaths per million population – Amongst the lowest in the world



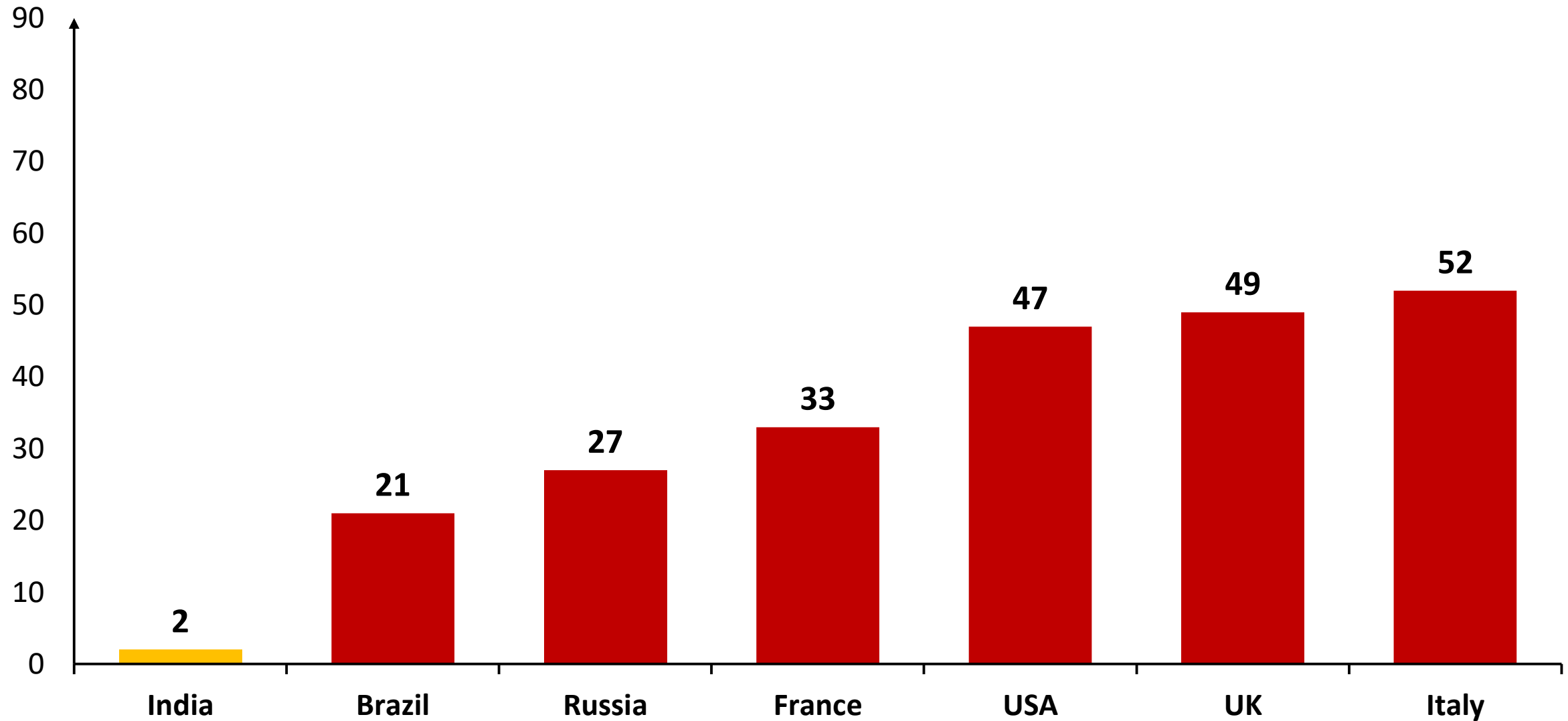
Active cases per million population – Amongst the lowest in the world



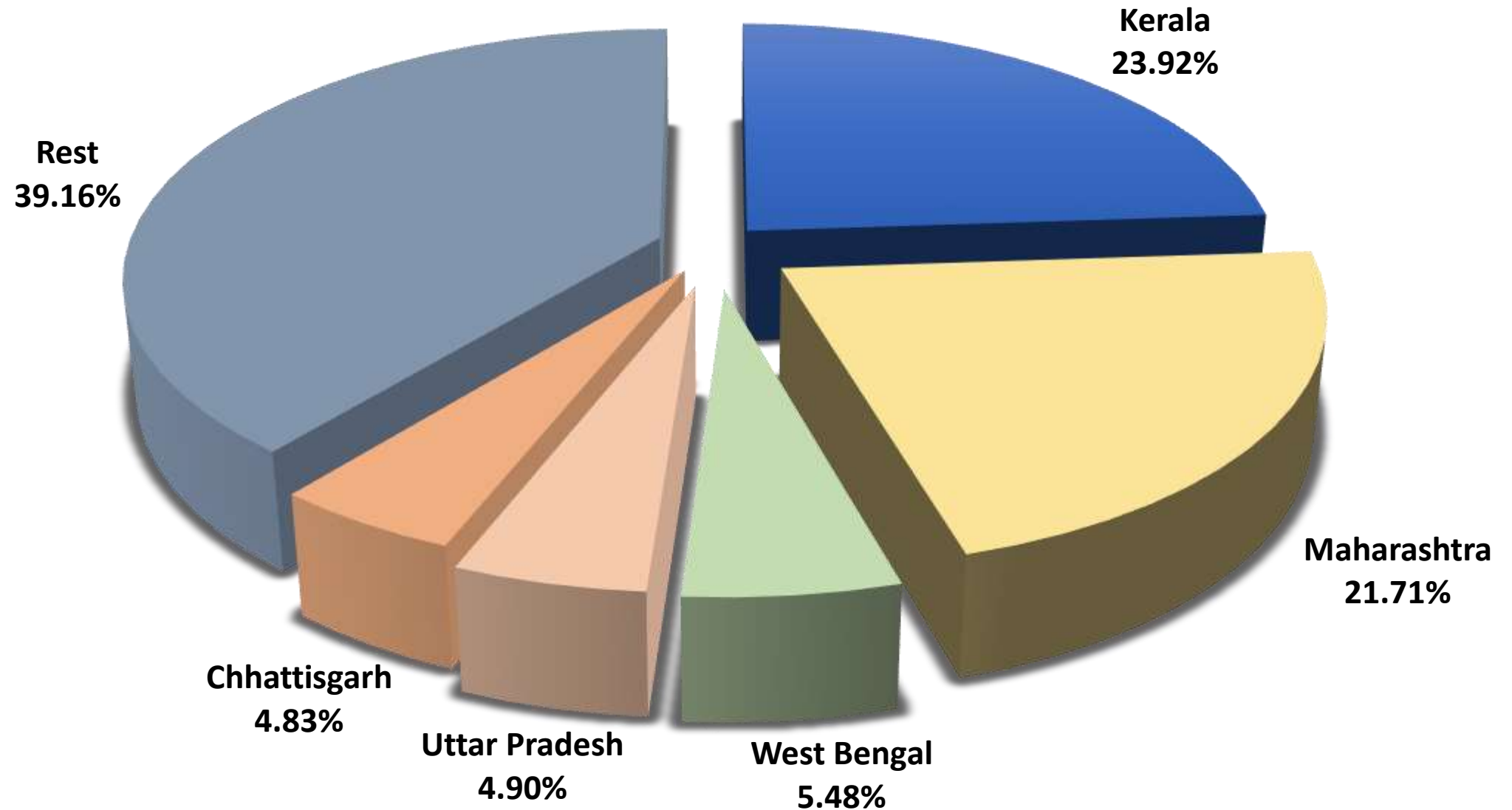
New cases per million population reported in the last 7 days



Deaths per million population reported in the last 7 days



5 States/UTs account for 60% of total active cases in the country



INSACOG - Indian SARS-CoV-2 Genomics Consortium

- To **ascertain the current status of new variant** of SARS-CoV-2 (SARS-CoV-2 VUI 202012/01) in the country.
- To establish a **sentinel surveillance** for **early detection of genomic variants** with public health implication.
- To determine the **genomic variants in the unusual events**/trends (super-spreader events, high mortality/morbidity trend areas etc.).

Structure of INSACOG

- **Nodal National Hub: NCDC, New Delhi**

NCDC Nodal Unit will maintain a database of all samples of the new variants.

- **Regional Hubs: 10 Identified RGSL (Regional Genome Sequencing**

Laboratories) for genome sequencing in assigned region. States will be tagged

to these RSGs.

- SOPs for collection of samples and workflow brought out by INSACOG.

Precautions on the eve of New Year

- **Mask to be worn at all times, in all public places**
- **Physical Distancing to be maintained**
- **Hand hygiene must be practised**
- **Avoid crowds, parties, mass celebrations**

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