

Covid-19 Pandemic Story- [Creator Redacted].

Covid-19 outbreak was first identified in Wuhan in China in December 2019. World Health Organization declared the outbreak of Covid-19 in January 30<sup>th</sup> and it was terrifying news to hear for most of the people living the world. At first, most people had no idea about what this virus was all about and how dangerous it was until and unless the WHO declared this as the deadliest disease similar like 1918 Flu Pandemic. Hearing the news about Covid-19 Pandemic brought fear and I was worried just by hearing the news about it. I never thought Covid-19 would outbreak in Bhutan. Hearing that news on 6<sup>th</sup> March about the first corona virus case in Bhutan, it terrified me a lot and most of the people living in our country were panicking and many people were worried about it.

If I share my experience on how Covid-19 brought fear in me, at first I was really scared hearing that covid-19 is in Bhutan because i never thought this disease would reach here in our country, not just me everyone around me was scared hearing that news. From morning, my parents were really worried calling me not to go out and anywhere due to covid-19 outbreak in our country. While sleeping, I used to get some nightmares thinking that so many people might have been affected by this virus and even me because seeing news about Covid-19 on social medias and news channel was really terrifying as most of the people who suffered from this disease lost their lives to it and in my thoughts I felt what would happened if anyone in country is being affected by Covid-19 disease.

However, when the Covid-19 was in Bhutan, made me realize that I was born in paradise because of this case we got to see how really Bhutanese people were lucky to be born in this country because Our King, Prime Minister, Health Workers, Arm Forces and Ministers were trying their best to risking their life to protect people living in our country and they helped many people not to fear from this disease by giving precautions about the disease through social media and News Channels and Newspaper.

Our King and Government, brought all the citizen of Bhutan living outside country safely back to our country providing all necessities for his own people and I am very blessed to be born in this country. Our King also constructed many houses for the people who were living across border in Toorsa Khola in Phuntsholing so no Bhutanese suffers from Covid-19. Our king risked his own life in order to protect his own people by going to all corner or border areas to safeguard Bhutan from Covid-19 disease.

Regarding the people coming from outside they were provided with quarantine facilities, where all the food charges, room charges, internet facilities were all provided by the government and many health workers sacrifice their luxurious time by working in the quarantine centre checking the health conditions of each and every individual who came from outside. Our King even granted Kidu to all people who had lost their job during this Covid-19 Pandemic and loan was also waived off.

Many students might have suffered during Covid-19 pandemic but our government tried their best way possible to help students to adapt to learning through online classes, and classes being aired in News channel. For students that were living in remote areas, Government is trying their best to provide better network facilities so that students get to study and learn daily. Students also received 60% data bonus for educational purposes and for the first time in Bhutan E-learning system was introduced along with online classes. As for me, I struggled at first because adapting to study through online was really tough for me because it was my first time studying through virtual learning environment and other e-learning system. It also helped me in many other ways like without asking help from my friends and trying to learn study materials by myself which made me become myself more independent.

Lastly, during this Covid-19 Pandemic period, I pray to god for helping us a lot which we have seen in our Majesty King because for me God really do exist because our king is my god and I pray for all for wellness and be healthy. Being born in this country is really lucky to me because Covid-19 disease is not spreading as much as we the Bhutanese people thought and we the people of Bhutan will never forget how our King, and other officials worked harder to stop the spread of virus.

Thank you