

# Mukesh Ambani's mega plan to fight Coronavirus: Reliance Jio, Retail, Life Sciences come together to help govt

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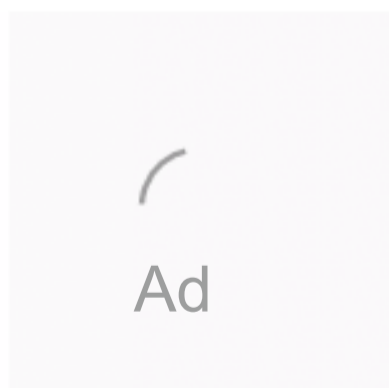
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Under the Reliance Foundation, the company has built India's first Covid-19 hospital with BMC and has set up 100 bedded center at Seven Hills Hospital, Mumbai. It has also built isolation facility in Lodhivali, Maharashtra.

As a part of the company's plan to make data accessible in the testing times, it has announced that "Jio will provide basic JioFiber connectivity (10 Mbps) ... without any service

charges," it said. The company has also said that it will ensure a steady supply of groceries via its Reliance Retail outlets so that citizens don't need to stock up. Several incidents of panic buying have occurred in the country as people allegedly stocked up in anticipation of lockdown. "All the 736 grocery stores of Reliance Retail across the country will ensure sufficient supply of essentials, including staples, fruits and vegetables, bread, breakfast cereals and other items of daily use so that citizens need not stock up," RIL said.

Several other industrialists have also chipped as the country races to contain the virus. Anand Mahindra, chairman Mahindra and Mahindra group, recently said that the company's resort business will function as isolation facility. Recently, Vedanta's Anil Agarwal also pledged Rs 100 crore towards the fight against the deadly coronavirus, which has infected over 400 people so far.