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"COVID-19 is not the first and will not be the last global pandemic"- David Black

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David Black, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Blackbox Research, Singapore talks about how India is managing the epidemic



"India’s coronavirus strategy has been aggressive from the onset, and state-specific success stories like Kerala have inspired confidence across the nation. While its total number of cases have now surpassed China’s, as the world's second-most populous country India has maintained a relatively low reported death rate, and it is seeing a noticeable reduction in its rate of contagion, which experts attribute to the nationwide lockdown which took place in late March. India has not been afraid to take a hard stance against the pandemic, as demonstrated by its recent extension of its lockdown in order to accelerate public health measures such as case detection, contact tracing, isolation and management of cases. This has given its citizens confidence that the right decisions have been made, despite the enormous difficulties in mobilising a nation of this size. COVID-19 is not the first and will not be the last global pandemic. In order to rebuild public trust and confidence, leaders need to consider the lasting implications and impacts of the crisis in order to emerge from this crisis stronger and more resilient."

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