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Content	Since the beginning of 2020, an unprecedented pandemic, the COVID-19, has swept all over the world. To check the spread and minimize the loss caused by this pandemic crisis, the countries adopted immediate approaches and formulated emergent policies, which largely shows a lot of emerging practices to their approach. Based on their different political and economic system, culture, and historical experience of combating pandemics, their policies also differ at multiple levels. This policy action paper will discuss the similarities and differences among the national and regional policies to manage the COVID-19, using a case study approach of a sampling of countries in four main regions (Asia, Africa, Europe, and North America), to decipher the complex thinking strategy employed in the different context towards a change or improvement in health and cushioning the effect of the pandemic on populations. The sampling of countries are listed as following: Asia: China, South Korea, Japan, Singapore Africa: Nigeria, Senegal, Madagascar Europe: Italy, Germany, Sweden North America: USA, Canada The paper will analyze how the political, economic, cultural, and historical factors have affected the decisions making of the local governments and how these factors/emerging practices could influence future system/ policy adoption and implementation by region and country.