Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 7th of November 2020

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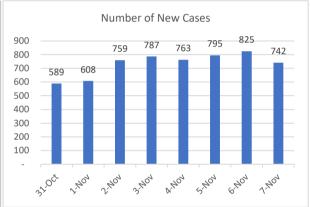
| | Glo | bal | Eastern Mediterranean Region | | |
|-------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| | COVID-19 Cases | COVID-19 Deaths | COVID-19 Cases | COVID-19 Deaths | |
| Total | 49,106,931 | 1,239,157 | 3,274,928 | 83,093 | |
| New | 1,744,627 in 3 days | 27,171 in 3 days | 97,025 in 3 days | 2,211 in 3 days | |

State of Kuwait

| | Confirmed Cases | Recovered Cases | Deaths | Active Cases | Critical Cases | PCR Tests |
|-------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|------------------|
| Total | 131,205 | 121,889 | 808 | 8,508 | 114 | 960,725 |
| New | 2,362 in 3 days | 2,147 in 3 days | 14 in 3 days | - | - | 20,207 in 3 days |

HIGHLIGHTS

- Health Minister provides detailed explanation of coronavirus conditions during Cabinet meeting.
- The Civil Service Commission decided to renew the contract of non-Kuwaiti doctors, nurses, pharmacists and medical support workers in the Ministry of Health every 3 years instead of annually.
- The Ministry of Awgaf and Islamic Affairs issued a circular of the conditions for Kuwaitis and expatriates performing Umrah, highlighting the quarantine in Saudi Arabia for a period of 3 days.
- WHO publishes public health considerations while resuming international travel, see link.
- WHO and UNICEF provide advice on the use of masks for children in the community in the context of COVID-19, see link.
- WHO publishes prevention, identification and management of health worker infection in the context of COVID-19, see link.



IMPORTANT LINKS

- MoH update of COVID-19: https://corona.e.gov.kw/en/
- WHO's COVID-19 weekly situation reports:

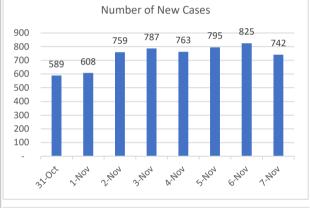
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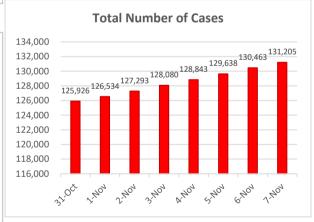
- WHO's COVID-19 dashboard: https://covid19.who.int/
- Precautions while resuming international travel: https://www.who.int/newsroom/articles-detail/public-health-considerations-while-resuming-internationaltravel
- . WHO and UNICEF: Advice on the use of masks for children in the community in the context of COVID-19

 $https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-IPC_Masks-Children-cov-IPC_Masks-Ch$

• WHO publishes prevention, identification and management of health worker infection in the context of COVID-19:

https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/10665-336265





IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

Definition of a Contact: A contact is a person who has experienced any one of the following exposures during the 2 days before and the 14 days after the onset of symptoms of a probable or confirmed case: 1. face-to-face contact with a probable or confirmed case within 1 metre and for at least 15 minutes: 2. direct physical contact with a probable or confirmed case; 3. direct care for a patient with probable or confirmed COVID-19 disease without using recommended personal protective equipment; OR 4. other situations as indicated by local risk assessments.



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