

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 11th of November 2020

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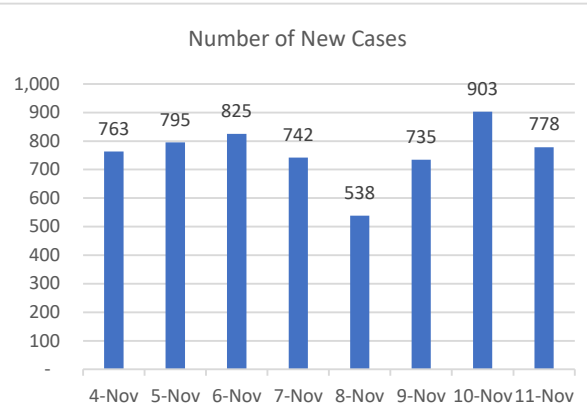
	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
Total	51,251,715	1,270,930	3,403,839	86,741
New	490,478	8,570	35,101	873

State of Kuwait

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	134,159	124,905	826	8,428	108	986,144
New	778	749	5	-	-	6,808

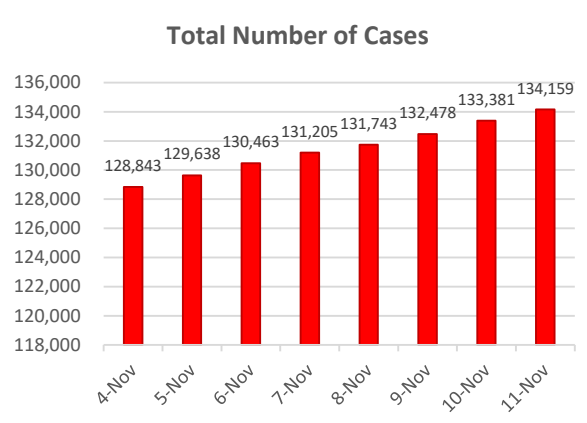
HIGHLIGHTS

- The Government agreed to the return of domestic workers and asked the Corona Emergency Committee to prepare a plan for their safe return.
- MoH has ordered around 1,000,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine produced by Pfizer. The first batch of 150,000 doses is expected to be received by the end of 2020. Meanwhile, MoH decided not to purchase vaccines from other producers until safety and efficacy are demonstrated.
- Students at College of Engineering and Petroleum in Kuwait University refuse to take the exams of the first semester in person fearing COVID-19.
- 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:** <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>
- **WHO's COVID-19 dashboard:** <https://covid19.who.int/>
- **Precautions while resuming international travel:** <https://www.who.int/news-room/articles-detail/public-health-considerations-while-resuming-international-travel>
- **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-2020.1
- **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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