Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 8th of December 2020

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	Glo	bal	Eastern Mediterranean Region		
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	
Total	67,210,778	1,540,777	4,348,215	108,518	
New	494,744	7,707	28,469	646	

State of Kuwait

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	144,900	140,638	900	3,362	83	1,152,203
New	301	297	3	-	-	5,783

HIGHLIGHTS

- 3 venues were designated as vaccination centres, the venues are in Al Ahmadi, Al Jahra and Mishrif.
- Vaccination will be free and optional, reservation through an app will take place to reduce crowding.
- Jazeera Airways announces that its passengers can now have their PCR test done before traveling for KD22 only.
- WHO provides updated guidance on COVID-19 therapeutics, see link.
- WHO produces guide on developing a national deployment and vaccination Planning for COVID-19 vaccines, see link.
- WHO updated guidance on mask use in the context of COVID-19, see link.



- 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/
- WHO's Therapeutics and COVID-19: living guideline:

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- WHO guide on developing a national deployment and vaccination Plan:
- https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-Vaccine_deployment-2020.1
- WHO updated guidance on mask use in the context of COVID-19:

https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/advice-on-the-use-of-masks-in-the-community-during-home-care-and-in-healthcare-settings-in-the-context-of-the-novel-coronavirus-(2019-ncov)-outbreak



How will we know if a COVID-19 vaccine is safe?

There are many strict protections in place to help ensure that COVID-19 vaccines will be safe. Like all vaccines, COVID-19 vaccines should go through a rigorous, multi-stage testing process, including large (phase III) trials that involve tens of thousands of people. These trials are specifically designed to identify any common side effects or other safety concerns.

If clinical trials shows that a vaccine is safe and effective, a series of independent reviews of the efficacy and safety evidence is required, including regulatory review and approval in the country where the vaccine is manufactured, before WHO considers a vaccine product for prequalification. Part of this process also involves a review of all the safety evidence by the Global Advisory Committee in Vaccine Safety. An external panel of experts convened by WHO will analyse the results from clinical trials. After a COVID-19 vaccine is introduced, WHO will support monitoring for any safety concerns on an ongoing basis.



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