# Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 26<sup>th</sup> of December 2020

# Situation Report No. 206 - State of Kuwait

27<sup>th</sup> of December, 2020

World Health Organization

	Glo	bal	Eastern Mediterranean Region		
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	
Total	78,604,532	1,744,235	4,803,191	118,594	
New	1746026 in 3 days	32,737 in 3 days	71,832 in 3 days	1,534 in 3 days	

### State of Kuwait

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	149,449	145,380	929	3,140	36	1,241,264
New	676 in 3 days	786 in 3 days	5 in 3 days	-	-	8,987 in 3 days

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

• MoH: Health workers' coronavirus vaccination campaign will kick off today, they will be invited via text messages with the vaccination date and place.

95,500 citizens and expatriats register for vaccine appointments.

 The government decided to close Churches and prevent gatherings during the celebration of religious holidays in public places from Thursday, 24 December until Sunday, 10 January, 2021.

MoH: No unexpected side effects recorded by those who had the first dose.

• Prime minister and health minister received the first dose of Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine.

• WHO produces Evidence to recommendations: Methods used for assessing health equity and human rights considerations in COVID-19 and aviation, see link.

• WHO Published guidance on COVID-19 Global Risk Communication and Community Engagement Strategy, see link.

WHO produces a prepared daft by the SAGE on Immunization Working Group on COVID-19 vaccines.

### **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/
 WHO Recommendations on methods used for assessing health equity and human rights

considerations in COVID-19 and aviation: https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/evidenceto-recommendations-methods-used-for-assessing-health-equity-and-human-rights-

considerations-in-covid-19-and-aviation

# WHO guidance on COVID-19 Global Risk Communication and Community Engagement Strategy:

https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/covid-19-global-risk-communication-and-community-engagement-strategy

• Draft on Immunization Working Group on COVID-19 vaccines:

https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/mrna-vaccines-against-covid-19-pfizer-biontech-covid-19-vaccinebnt162b2

# **IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS**

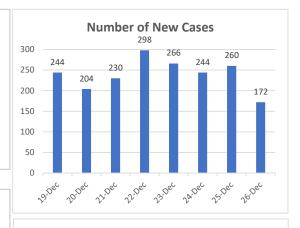
#### What is the COVID-19 Infodemic?

An infodemic is an overabundance of information, both online and offline. It includes deliberate attempts to disseminate wrong information to undermine the public health response and advance alternative agendas of groups or individuals. Mis- and disinformation can be harmful to people's physical and mental health; increase stigmatization; threaten precious health gains; and lead to poor observance of public health measures, thus reducing their effectiveness and endangering countries' ability to stop the pandemic.

Misinformation costs lives. Without the appropriate trust and correct information, diagnostic tests go unused, immunization campaigns (or campaigns to promote effective vaccines) will not meet their targets, and the virus will continue to thrive. Furthermore, disinformation is polarizing public debate on topics related to COVID-19; amplifying hate speech; heightening the risk of conflict, violence and human rights violations; and threatening long-terms prospects for advancing democracy, human rights and social cohesion.

# **IMPORTANT CONTACTS**

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# Total Number of Cases

