Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Situation Report No. 70 - Kuwait

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:59 local time 09 June 2020

HIGHLIGHTS

- 630 new cases bringing total to 33,140; of the new cases 271 (43%) are nationals.
- Infected cases by health area: Al Ahmadi (207), Al Farwaniyah (184), Hawally (100) Al Jahra (94), and Capital Area (45).
- 4 new mortalities, bringing total to 273.
- Recovery of 920 cases bringing total recovered to 22,162.
- 10,705 cases remain under treatment, 173 of them are in ICU.
- 3,218 new PCR tests conducted bringing total to 321,502.

• Plans are ongoing for commercial flights to re-start, including health measures at airport.

• MoH: Quarantine for 14 days for citizens returning from abroad.

• Respiratory diseases specialist said the results of new studies revealed that fabric

masks are not as effective as N95 masks in preventing the transmission of viruses.Expatriates with valid residence will be allowed to return to Kuwait on the 5th phase of returning to normalcy, tentatively late August.

• WHO updates guidance on the use of face masks in context of COVID-19 (see link below), and stresses that mask use is only one component of a comprehensive approach to prevent and control COVID-19 and should be adopted with hand hygiene, physical distancing and other measures.

SITUATION IN NUMBERS Total (new) cases in last 24 hours

Globally

7,039,918 cases (108,918) 404,396 deaths (3,539)

Eastern Mediterranean Region 658,614 cases (17,185) 14,913 deaths (311)

Kuwait 33,140 confirmed (630) 273 deaths (4)

IMPORTANT LINKS

• For updated information on the spread of COVID-19 in Kuwait: https://corona.e.gov.kw/en/

• To obtain WHO's COVID-19 global situation reports: https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel coronavirus-2019/situation-reports

• WHO 14th of April update of the COVID-19 strategy: https://www.who.int/docs/defaultsource/coronaviruse /covid-strategy-

update14april2020.pdf?sfvrsn=29da3ba0_19

- Immunization programme in context of COVID-19: https://iris.paho.org/handle/10665.2/51992
- WHO prevention and management of COVID-19 across long-term care services:

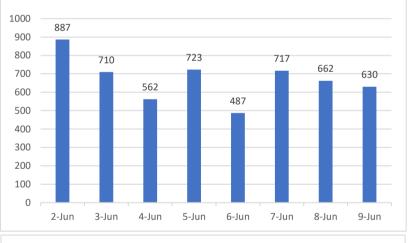
http://www.euro.who.int/__data/assets/pdf_file/0004/ 44 3605/Tech-guidance-6-COVID19-eng.pdf?ua=1

• WHO updated recommendations on the use of face masks:

https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/adviceontheuse-of-masks-in-the-community-during-homecareandin-healthcare-settings-in-the-context-ofthenovelcoronavirus-(2019-ncov)-outbreak

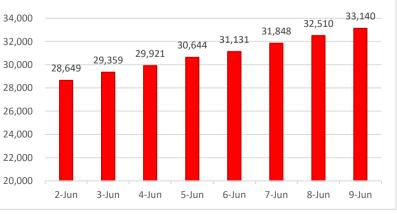
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Number of New Cases

Total Number of Cases





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