# WHO SUPPORT TO COVID-19 RESPONSE IN LEBANON



As part of the strategic preparedness and response plan for COVID-19, and in coordination with the Government of Lebanon, Ministry of Public Health and partners, WHO Lebanon has:



# PROCURED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

ensuring the protection of health staff since the start of the crisis

**2 027 250** surgical masks **228 845** gowns/coveralls

**385 950** N95 masks **59 360** goggles

**215 945** gloves (box of 100)



#### INCREASED CLINICAL MANAGEMENT CAPACITY

through procuring

**105** oxygen concentrators

**19** ventilators

**9** portable X Ray machines

**45** syringe and suction pumps



### STRENGTHENED HUMAN RESOURCE CAPACITY

creating a larger pool of qualified health professionals

17 staff recruited to support surveillance unit, call center, and contact tracing

119 nurses deployed to isolation sites while operational

21 nurses and 2 infectious disease specialists supporting Roumieh and Zahle central prisons and Batroun prison in COVID-19 response

> 2 000 health and non-health staff trained on IPC, case management, and rapid response



## PROVIDED INFORMATION TO PUBLIC

- > 650 000 awareness material printed and disseminated
- 252 daily briefs produced and disseminated, covering COVID-19 latest updates in Lebanon
- 78 interviews conducted on COVID-19 in newspapers, radios and TV stations
- > 17 technical feedback on thematic audiovisual material
- Launched in collaboration with partners different campaigns to combat misinformation, raise awareness on the harmful effects of tobacco, youth mental health, chronic conditions in the context of COVID-19, and "It's in our hands" COVID awareness campaign with healthcare workers
- Launched the reconstruction and upgrade plan for the Karantina central warehouse



## STRENGTHENED LABORATORY TESTING

through procuring material sufficient for for 106 days

**212 180** RT-PCR tests

5 PCR machines

**165 320** swabs for sample collection

3 automated extractor machines

**55** Oximeters, tensiometers,

and thermometers to

support isolation sites

18 Biological Safety Cabinets



### PROVIDED TECHNICAL SUPPORT

**10+** technical guidance documents developed, including back to school guidelines, testing strategy, isolation sites, preparedness in prisons, mental health in quarantine and protection resources



# PARTICIPATED IN THE GLOBAL SOLIDARITY TRIALS

5 hospitals in Lebanon are actively participating in the WHO-led clinical trials and sharing their results with the global database to assess the efficiency of different potential treatment regimens for COVID-19















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