

In May 2020, WHO continued its battle against COVID-19 in the Eastern Mediterranean Region. WHO trained field teams and laboratory workers, and developed awareness-raising materials for people throughout the Region. WHO also shipped millions of dollars' worth of testing kits, protective gear and medicines to help patients and health workers.

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In Somalia, WHO has equipped health facilities with medical oxygen and other supplies to treat COVID-19 patients, like this man in an isolation centre in Mogadishu. 2 / 8



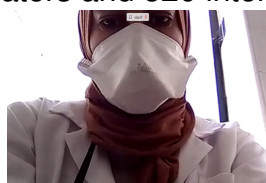
In Jordan, WHO gave hospital workers tablets so they could log data about COVID-19 patients. 3 / 8



In mid-May in Lebanon, WHO delivered 20 000 swabs to a warehouse for further distribution.

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WHO continued to ship medical equipment into Yemen so health workers could treat COVID-19 patients. As of mid-May 2020, 154 ventilators and 520 intensive care beds for 38 isolation units were provided and set up. 5 / 8



In May 2020 in Morocco, WHO held a webinar to teach nurses and midwives how to care for

women before, during and after giving birth in the context of COVID-19. More than 600 health workers attended the virtual event. 6 / 8



In Egypt, to teach children how to prevent the spread of COVID-19, WHO works with UNICEF and the Ministry of Health and Population to create engaging cartoons. 7 / 8



In mid-May, WHO delivered more laboratory testing kits to the Gaza Strip to support COVID-19 testing of more than 2500 people. 8 / 8



In May 2020, a contact tracer in northwest Islamic Republic of Iran made calls to track down people who may have interacted with a COVID-19 infected person. WHO is supporting primary health centres in the country as they battle the disease.

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