# Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

## Situation Report No. 24 - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:59 local time 7 April 2020

### HIGHLIGHTS

• Out of a total of 2,795 confirmed cases, a total of 615 recovered and were discharged and 41 died; there are 2,139 active cases;

- New cases were recorded in: Riyadh (65), Jeddah (38), Makkah (35), Qatif (13), Madinah (11), Khamis Mushait (8), in addition to 11 other localities;
- Minister of health gave an important speech yesterday, emphasising that based on estimates, COVID-19 cases can increase over the coming weeks to a minimum of 10,000 or a maximum of 200,000. The realized numbers will depend primarily on the cooperation of the public in following the precautionary measures advised by the ministry.
- Curfew extended in the rest of the country to start at 3 pm.
- Additional government funding of SAR 7 Billion to combat COVID-19, bringing total additional funding to SAR 15 Billion.
- Repatriation requests from Saudi citizens abroad reached 29,000 in the first day.
- Saudi Arabia's doctors are increasingly using remote "telemedicine" services for routine check-ups, dispatching medicines and collecting lab. samples from home.

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

#### Globally 1,279,722 confirmed (68,766) 72,614 deaths (5,020)

Eastern Mediterranean Region 78,565 confirmed (4,218) 4,149 deaths (173)

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia 2,795 confirmed (190) 41 deaths (3)

#### **IMPORTANT LINKS**

- Daily COVID-19 updates on MoH Twitter account: https://twitter.com/saudimoh

- WHO's COVID-19 global situation reports:

https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novelcoronavirus-2019/situation-reports

- Ministry of Health website:

https://www.moh.gov.sa/en/Pages/default.aspx

- To download "Mawid" application, go to App store or Google play, the Ministry of Health web page:

https://www.moh.gov.sa/en/Support/Pages/Mobil eApp.aspx

- Link to the Minister of Health speach on 7 April: https://twitter.com/i/status/124750477800072807 0

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