Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 22nd of November 2020

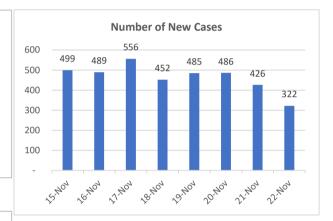## Situation Report No. 182 - State of Kuwait
23rd of November, 2020

World Health Organization
WHO Office - Riyadh

	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
Total	57,882,183	1,377,395	3,796,649	96,354
New	604,943	9,237	33,418	796

State of Kuwait

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	140,056	132,178	866	7,012	86	1,052,001
New	322	618	3	-	-	4,099

HIGHLIGHTS

• MoH announces that the Minister of Health will be one of the first to receive the Corona vaccine to send a message regarding the safety of taking the vaccine.
• Bengali citizens complain that their embassy in Kuwait is crowded and fails to follow social distancing.
• WHO establishes a COVID-19 isolation unit in north of Iraq co-funded by Kuwait.
• WHO publishes public health considerations while resuming international travel, see link.
• WHO and UNICEF provide advice on the use of masks for children in the community in the context of COVID-19, see link.
• WHO publishes prevention, identification and management of health worker infection in the context of COVID-19, see link.
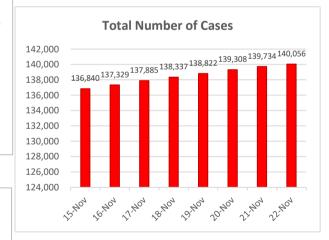
IMPORTANT LINKS

• **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/
• **Precautions while resuming international travel:** https://www.who.int/news-room/articles-detail/public-health-considerations-while-resuming-international-travel
• **WHO and UNICEF: Advice on the use of masks for children in the community in the context of COVID-19:** https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-IPC_Masks-Children-2020.1
• **WHO publishes prevention, identification and management of health worker infection in the context of COVID-19:**
https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/10665-336265

IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

Probable COVID-19 case:

• A patient who meets clinical criteria (see *Important Definitions* in situation reports of last week) AND is a contact of a probable or confirmed case, or epidemiologically linked to a cluster with at least one confirmed case. • A suspect case with chest imaging showing findings suggestive of COVID-19 disease. • A person with recent onset of anosmia (loss of smell) or ageusia (loss of taste) in the absence of any other identified cause. • Death, not otherwise explained, in an adult with respiratory distress preceding death AND was a contact of a probable or confirmed case or epidemiologically linked to a cluster with at least one confirmed case.

Confirmed COVID-19 case:
A person with laboratory confirmation of COVID-19 infection, irrespective of clinical signs and symptoms.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

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Number of New Cases

Date	Value
15-Nov	499
16-Nov	489
17-Nov	556
18-Nov	452
19-Nov	485
20-Nov	486
21-Nov	426
22-Nov	322

Total Number of Cases

Date	Value
15-Nov	136,840
16-Nov	137,329
17-Nov	137,885
18-Nov	138,337
19-Nov	138,822
20-Nov	139,308
21-Nov	139,734
22-Nov	140,056

Number of New Deaths

Date	Value
15-Nov	3
16-Nov	4
17-Nov	6
18-Nov	9
19-Nov	2
20-Nov	2
21-Nov	2
22-Nov	3