

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 23:00 local time 25th of November 2020

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	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
Total	59,481,313	1,404,542	3,899,741	98,966
New	527,326	9,989	35,681	928

State of Kuwait

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests
Total	141,217	134,033	871	6,313	78	1,068,193
New	422	626	1	-	-	6,117

HIGHLIGHTS

- Kuwait purchases one million doses of the BioNTech/Pfizer vaccine, 1.7 million of the Moderna vaccine and 3 million doses of the Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine; these will start being received by late December and totally will be enough to vaccinate 2.8 million people.
- Citizens and expatriates will receive free vaccination, however citizens will be prioritized as well as priority groups.
- WHO provides updated guidance on COVID-19 therapeutics, see link.
- WHO produces guide on developing a national deployment and vaccination Planning for COVID-19 vaccines, 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/>
- **WHO's Therapeutics and COVID-19: living guideline:** <https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/therapeutics-and-covid-19-living-guideline>
- **WHO guide on developing a national deployment and vaccination Plan:** https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-Vaccine_deployment-2020.1
- **WHO's 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.

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