

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Report

Data as reported by national authorities by 24:00 local time 04 September 2021

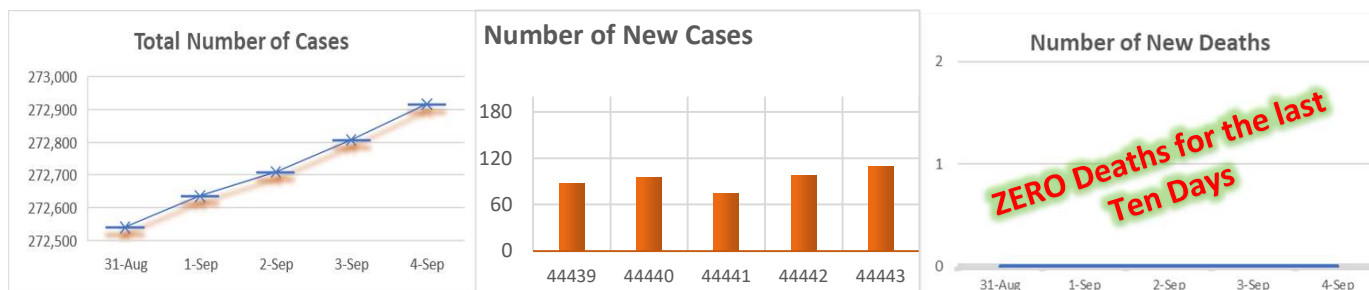
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	Global		Eastern Mediterranean Region	
	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths	COVID-19 Cases	COVID-19 Deaths
Total	218,946,836	4,539,723	14,776,814	269,421
New	687,832 ^(3rd Sep)	11,438 ^(3rd Sep)	46,230 ^(3rd Sep)	906 ^(3rd Sep)

Kingdom of Bahrain

	Confirmed Cases	Recovered Cases	Deaths	Active Cases	Critical Cases	PCR Tests	Vaccine First Dose	Vaccine Second Dose	Booster Dose
Total	272,916	270,576	1,388	952	1	6,004,130	1,150,055	1,091,839	260,123
New	109	117	0	-	-	20,000	-	-	-



HIGHLIGHTS

- Moved to the Green level (lowest alert level) on Friday, 3 September*

- Call to avoid a false sense of security

Dr Jameela Salman (Consultant of Infectious Diseases and Internal Diseases at Salmaniya Medical Complex and Member of the National Medical Taskforce for Combatting the Coronavirus) announced a call to avoid a false sense of security ahead of the move to the Green Alert Level. Dr Salman spoke on the measures needed to combat the Covid-19 spread, and urged people to abide by the 'Protection and Commitment' slogan; Protection through vaccination and getting the booster shot. Commitment by adhering to the precautionary measures until public health is safeguarded

- Vaccination updates - 3-11 and 12-17 age groups

Dr Al Salman confirmed that the Kingdom of Bahrain began vaccinating immunocompromised 3 - 11 year olds with the Sinopharm vaccine. Those aged between 12 - 17 have been offered either the Sinopharm or Pfizer-BioNtech vaccinations.

- Operational strategy announced for public and private educational institutions

The Ministry of Education has issued a Back-to-School Guide Ahead of the 2021-22 academic year. Guidelines were distributed to all educational institutions, reflecting a 4-tiered Covid-19 Alert Level Traffic Light System, and covering protocols in all operational areas. Distance learning will be applied in the case of the Nation moving to the Red level, 30% attendance in Orange, and 50% in Yellow. In all cases parents can choose between in-person or remote learning.

- 90 % of eligible population vaccinated

Bahrain has inoculated more than 90 per cent of its eligible population with at least one dose of a Covid-19 vaccine, according to a top medic. National Taskforce for Combatting the Coronavirus (Covid-19) monitoring committee head Dr Manaf Al Qahtani noted that the country ranked third globally in terms of vaccination rates. The BDF Hospital infectious diseases consultant and microbiologist was speaking at a Press conference held remotely from the Crown Prince Centre for Training and Medical Research, Riffa yesterday.

- Approval for booster vaccination following Sputnik V inoculation

An announcement was made to formally authorize Sputnik V as a booster shot for those aged 18 years and over six months after receiving their second dose of the Sputnik V vaccine.

- Update the booster shot protocol

Following a review of the latest developments an approval was also announced to update the booster shot protocol and guidelines for vaccinated individuals who have recovered from COVID-19. Eligible individuals may now receive a booster shot 12 months after the date of their infection.

Results of study on the effectiveness of vaccinations released

Results released of the first global study conducted by the National Health Medical Team, in cooperation with Columbia University, on the topic of the effectiveness of vaccinations (including the Delta variant), National indicators showed that vaccinations effectively reduced serious complications and deaths caused by the virus - 79% of deaths in June 2021 were unvaccinated.

- Travel Updates - As of September 3rd

Updates to the list of Red Countries., this includes the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Ethiopia, the Republic of Costa Rica and the Republic of Ecuador.

The following countries have been removed from the red list: the Republic of Pakistan, the Republic of India, the Republic of Panama and the Dominican Republic.

Cancellation of pre-departure PCR testing for travelers entering Bahrain from non-Red List countries whose vaccination certificates are recognised. All other travel procedures for arrivals from non-Red List countries remain in place.

*The system consists of four levels – Green, Orange, Yellow and Red – based on the average percentage of cases to tests, in addition to the level of occupancy in intensive care units.

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