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Case Summary

Cases worldwide: 6,383,805

Deaths worldwide: 380,331

Countries affected: 188

(Data taken from [Coronavirus COVID-19 Global Cases dashboard](#) from Johns Hopkins University Center for Systems Science and Engineering)

Introduction

Italy has reopened its borders to Europe, with no quarantine. In France, restaurants and cafes have reopened across the country. Spain has reported no deaths for the third day in a row.

News

WHO News

In his regular [media briefing](#), WHO Director-General stated that the COVID-19 pandemic has caused disruptions in services for non-communicable diseases (NCDs) in almost two-thirds of countries across the world. This is of great concern because those living with NCDs are more vulnerable to becoming ill and dying from COVID-19. He stressed that COVID-19 response must be “inclusive of the health-care needs” of those who are living with NCDs.

WHO has released a new operational [guidance](#) on maintaining essential health services. It provides suggestions that countries can take on how to reorganize and maintain access to essential health services during this challenging time.

WHO provided [support](#) to vulnerable countries in their access to medical oxygen for COVID-19 treatments. Recently, WHO was able to acquire 4,000 oxygen concentrators, which are essential in critical care for patients severely affected with COVID-19. In addition, WHO launched a Clinical Care Training course on [OpenWHO](#) to manage those with Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI). Over 100,000 people have signed up for this course.

Evolution Worldwide

ASIA & PACIFIC

Bangladesh: 2,911 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 52,445 cases. This represents the third consecutive day that the country has reported more than 2,000 new cases in a 24-hour period. Media reports indicate that the first COVID-19 associated death among the Rohingya refugees has been confirmed. Official data indicate that at least 29 Rohingya refugees have tested positive for COVID-19 since the first case emerged. In collaboration with the United Nations, Bangladesh has prepared seven isolation centres with the capacity to treat more than 700 patients inside the camps.

India: 3,199 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 201,007 cases. Media sources report that India began easing its lockdown measures on 1 June. India implemented a lockdown on 25 March, which required all individuals to stay home. Officials are following a three-phase plan, beginning with the reopening of businesses and shops in many states. As of 1 June, India now has the seventh-largest COVID-19 outbreak globally, surpassing Germany and France.

Nepal: 288 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 2,099 cases. This is the highest number of new cases reported in a 24-hour period since the beginning of the outbreak in Nepal. This represents a 16% increase in the cumulative case count since yesterday and marks the second consecutive day that Nepal has reported over 200 new cases within a 24-hour period. The Nepali government announced on Saturday that given the sustained rise in cases in the country, the nationwide lockdown will be extended until 14 June, and the suspension of cross-border movement and air travel will be extended until 30 June.

EUROPE

France: A total of 151,325 cases have been confirmed, including 28,940 deaths. France has reported over 100 deaths in the last 24 hours for the first time in 13 days as the country enters phase two of deconfinement. Restaurants, cafes and bars across the country have opened after three months of closure. However, in Paris customers can only sit in outdoor terraces.

Germany: 342 new cases have been reported, bringing the total to 182,370 cases with 8,551 deaths.

Italy: 318 new cases and 55 deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 233,515 cases and 33,530 deaths. Italy has reopened the Colosseum after three months of closure.

Norway: Life is slowly returning to normal in Norway, the most apparent restrictions are around big crowds, travel abroad and crossing the border. The number of hospital admissions and ICU-treated remain low the last weeks. New cases are in the range of 5-15/day. Status Wednesday (09:00) is 250,968 tested, 8,455 tested positive, 32 admitted to hospital, 3 in respirator and 237 deaths of which 90 are in hospitals. The average age is 82. A total of 881 patients have been admitted to hospital for treatment of Covid-19 and they have an average age of 60 years. Only two positive cases have been identified offshore so far. Borders are now open for EU-citizens visiting family or with property in Norway (but they must observe home-quarantine upon arrival). The authorities recommend against leisure travel abroad until 20th August, but job travel within the Nordic countries is allowed. Travel quarantine is reduced to 10 days. Social distancing is now set to 1 meter and meetings/events with up to 50 people (including cinemas) are now allowed as long as proper distancing is observed. All public transport (including air-travel) must comply with 1 meter distance between passengers, except for family. Scandinavian Airlines (SAS) are requiring all passengers to wear a face mask, which they must supply themselves.

All schools are now open with an element of cohorting of students. School exams in general are cancelled. Universities remain closed and exams will be from home. Cultural and sportive events both indoor and outdoor with more than 500 participants remain cancelled until at least 1st September. Events with 50 to 200 participants will be allowed from 15th June. Some training has recommenced as long a distance can be kept and the use of common showers and changing-rooms can be avoided. Fitness centres and pools are planned to reopen from 15 June.

Offices can reopen as long as hygiene and distancing can be kept. Workers dependent on public transport are still recommended to work from home if possible. Private gatherings of up to 20 people are allowed.

The time-frame for identifying close-contacts to asymptomatic patients is increased to 48 hours. This is believed to make the risk of transmission less than 1%. Also, people having recovered from COVID-19 are exempt from all quarantine for the next 6 months.

Russia: At least 423,186 cases and 5,031 deaths have been confirmed. Moscow is the epicentre of the outbreak in the country. Lockdown measures have begun to relax despite the increase in cases.

Spain: 137 new cases were reported, bringing the total to 239,932 cases and 27,127 deaths. Spain has reported no deaths for three consecutive days.

United Kingdom: 1,613 new cases and 324 deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 277,985 cases and 39,369 deaths.

MIDDLE EAST

Afghanistan: 750 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 16,492 cases. The International Rescue Committee (IRC) has raised concerns that Afghanistan is facing a humanitarian disaster as the number of undetected COVID-19 cases may be high. The country has the capacity to run 2,000 tests per day, but reports indicate that laboratories across the country receive 5 to 10 times more samples than they can process.

Egypt: 1,399 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 26,384 cases. Media sources report that officials have changed the curfew to end at 5 a.m. instead of 6 a.m. The curfew is just one of many measures that Egypt has implemented to curb the pandemic, including the closure of schools, cafes and places of worship.

Iran: 3,117 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 157,562 cases. This marks the first time that over 3,000 cases have been reported within a 24-hour period and represents the highest single-day increase since the beginning of the outbreak.

Iraq: At least 7,387 cases and 235 deaths have been confirmed.

Kazakhstan: 225 new cases have been reported, an incidence rate of 1.9%. The total number of cases is 11,796 with 44 deaths. The majority of new cases were reported in Almaty (39) followed by Nur-Sultan (23).

Saudi Arabia: 1,869 new cases and 24 deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 89,011 cases and 549 deaths.

United Arab Emirates: A total of 35,788 cases and 269 deaths have been confirmed.

AFRICA

Angola: The total number of cases is 86, including four deaths.

Democratic Republic of Congo: A total of 3,325 cases and 72 deaths have been confirmed.

Ghana: 227 new cases were reported, bringing the total number of cases to 8,297. According to media sources, the country will begin to ease several measures starting 5 June; schools will reopen for final year students, and social gatherings of less than 100 participants will be permitted. Festivals, sporting events, cinemas and political rallies will remain banned and Ghana's borders will remain closed.

Kenya: At least 2,093 cases have been confirmed, including 71 deaths.

Madagascar: At least 845 cases have been reported with six deaths.

Malawi: 52 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 336 cases. This represents an 18% increase in the cumulative case count since yesterday.

Mozambique: The total number of cases is 307, including two deaths.

Nigeria: 241 new cases and 15 deaths have been reported, bringing the total to 10,819 cases and 314 deaths. The most affected region is Lagos with 5,277 cases.

South Africa: At least 35,812 cases have been confirmed, including 755 deaths.

AMERICAS

Brazil: 28,936 new cases and 1,262 deaths have been reported, resulting in a total of 555,383 cases and 31,199 deaths.

Canada: 746 new cases were reported, bringing the total number to 92,393 cases. In addition, 67 new deaths were confirmed, bringing the total number of deaths in the country to 7,447. Ontario has reported more than 400 new cases today, after a week of cases below that number.

Mexico: 3,891 new cases and 470 deaths reported, bringing the total to 97,326 cases and 10,637 deaths. Mexico has reopened mining, construction and tourist industries despite the increase in cases.

United States: 14,790 new cases and 761 deaths were reported, bringing the total to 1,802,470 cases and 105,157 deaths.

NEW COUNTRIES

No new countries have reported their first case(s) of COVID-19.