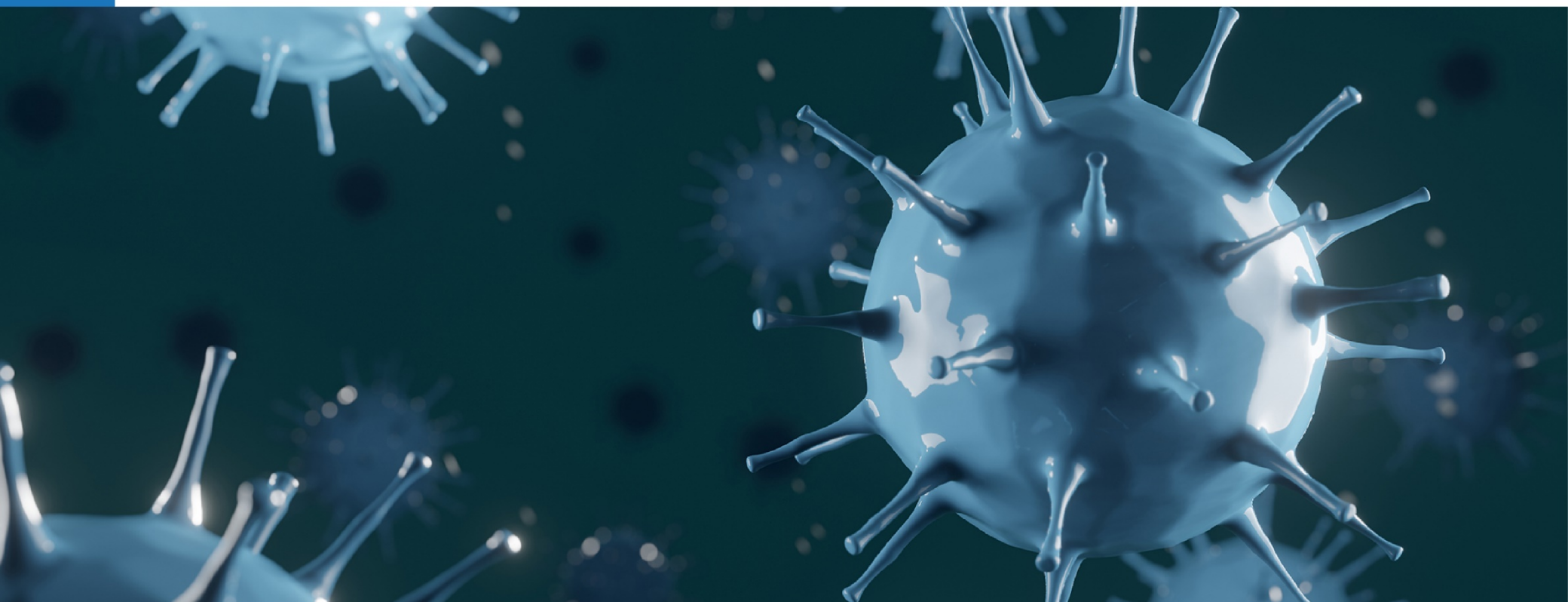


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Coronavirus Cases - Global



Confirmed Cases

307,208

Death

13,049

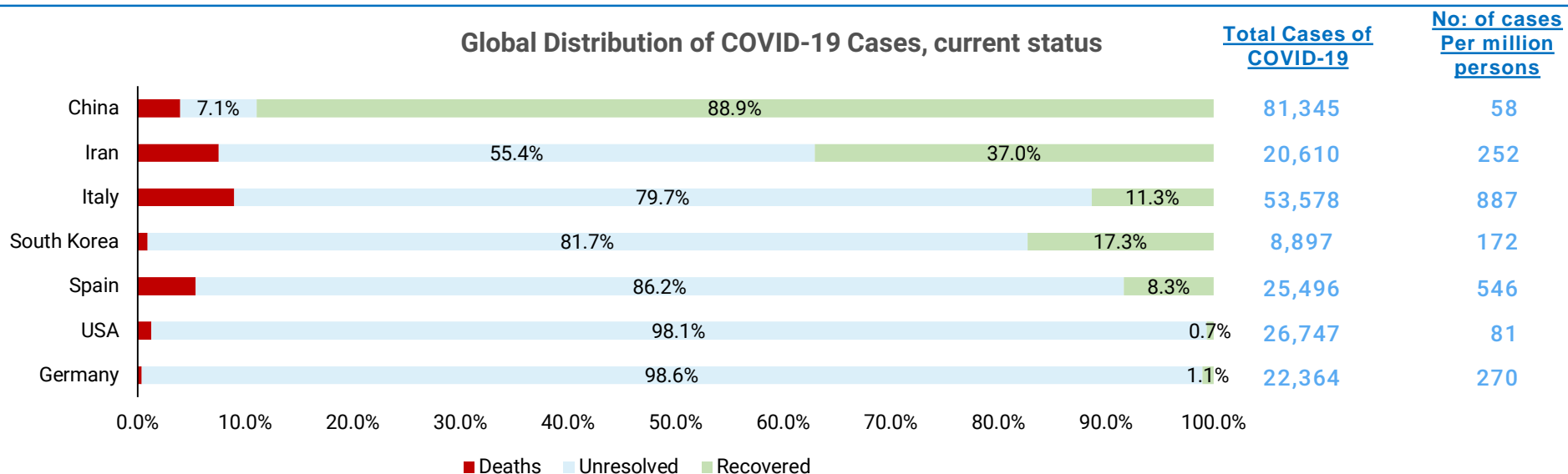
Recovered

92,373

of Covid-19 Test*

2,226,258

Global Distribution of COVID-19 Cases, current status



What authorities are actioning?

- More businesses in Italy to shut down as outbreak worsens
- FDA OKs 'emergency use' coronavirus test
- USA approves paid sick and family leave for many Americans while also offering free testing
- South Korea pledged \$39 billion stimulus package

Coronavirus Cases in GCC



Confirmed Cases

1,564

Death

3

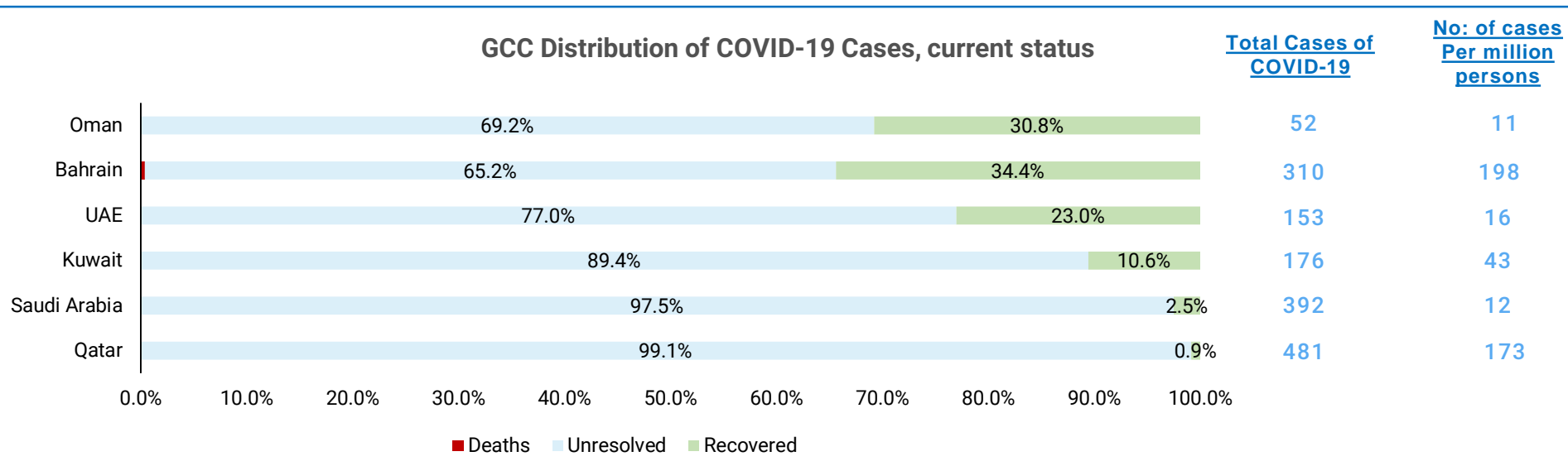
Recovered

246

of Covid-19 Test*

152,045

GCC Distribution of COVID-19 Cases, current status



What authorities are actioning?

- Spain's PM Sanchez spoke to Saudi Crown Prince, who agreed to call urgent, extraordinary G20 Summit on Coronavirus
- IEA say in extreme event where Governments fail to contain Coronavirus, demand could drop by 730,000 BPD in 2020
- IEA cuts 2020 Global oil demand forecast by almost 1 mn BPD due to Coronavirus, sses first contraction since 2009
- UAE temporarily suspends entry of GCC citizens

Coronavirus Cases in Saudi Arabia



Confirmed Cases

392

Death

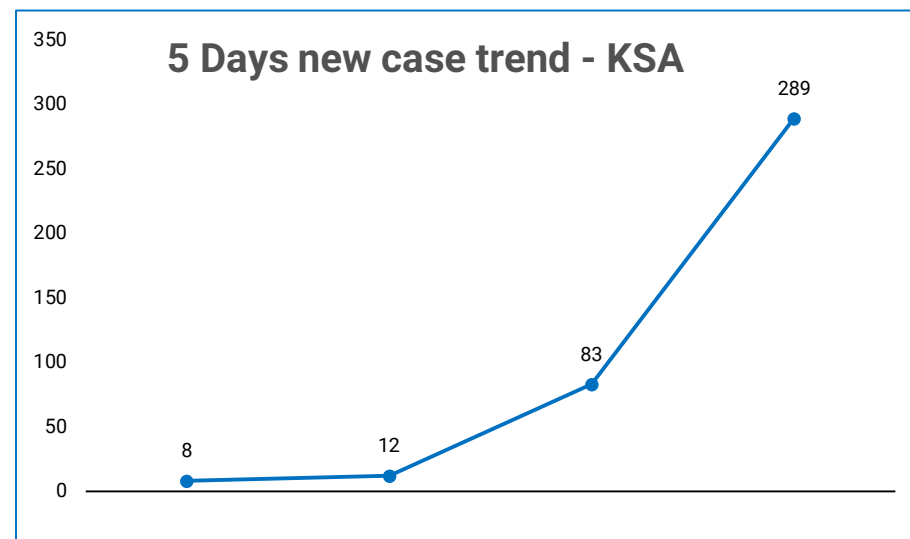
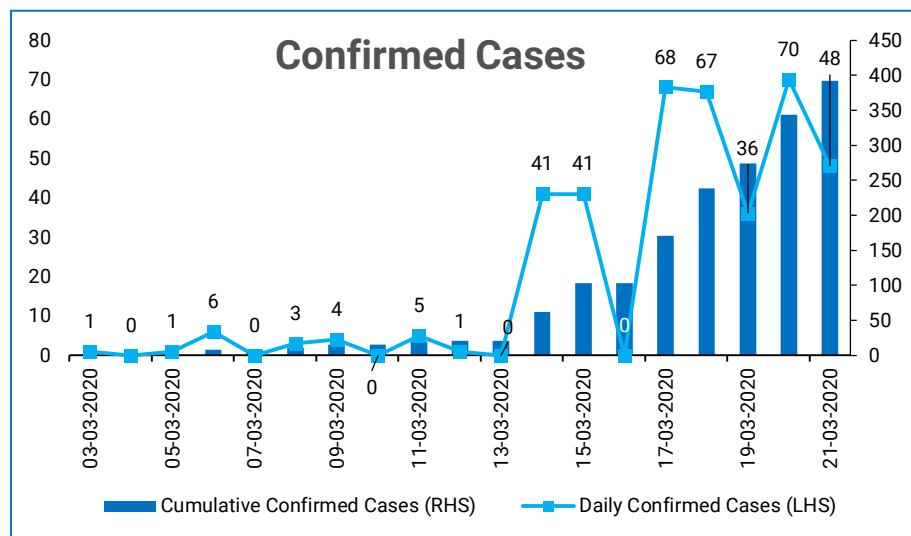
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Recovered

16

of Covid-19 Test*

NA



What authorities are actioning?

- Saudi Arabia's government unveiled stimulus measures amounting to 120 Saudi billion riyals (\$32 billion) , including postponement of tax payments and exemptions of various government levies and fees
- Saudi suspended most private sector activities and cut its state budget by nearly 5%, as the outbreak and low oil prices threaten growth
- The Kingdom temporarily stopped all travel to and from almost all of Europe and 11 countries in Asia and Africa

Coronavirus Cases in Kuwait



Confirmed Cases

176

Death

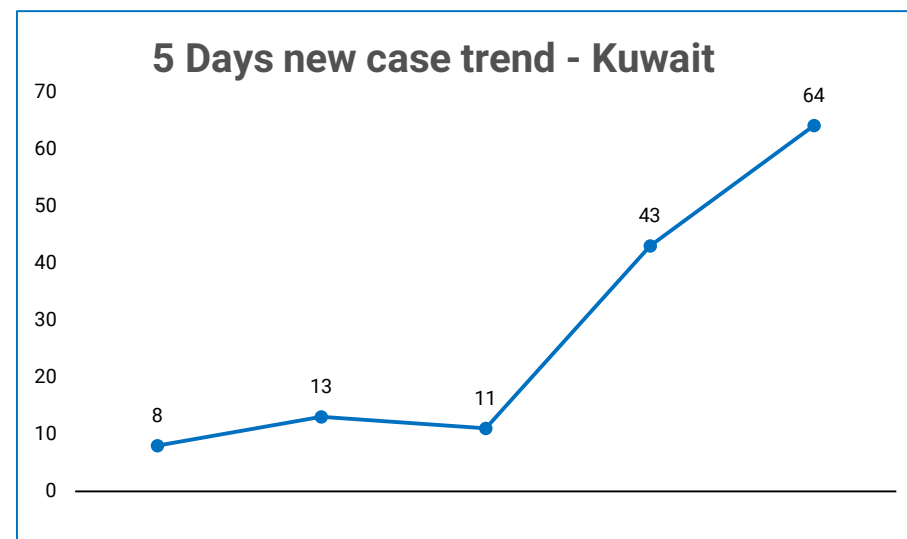
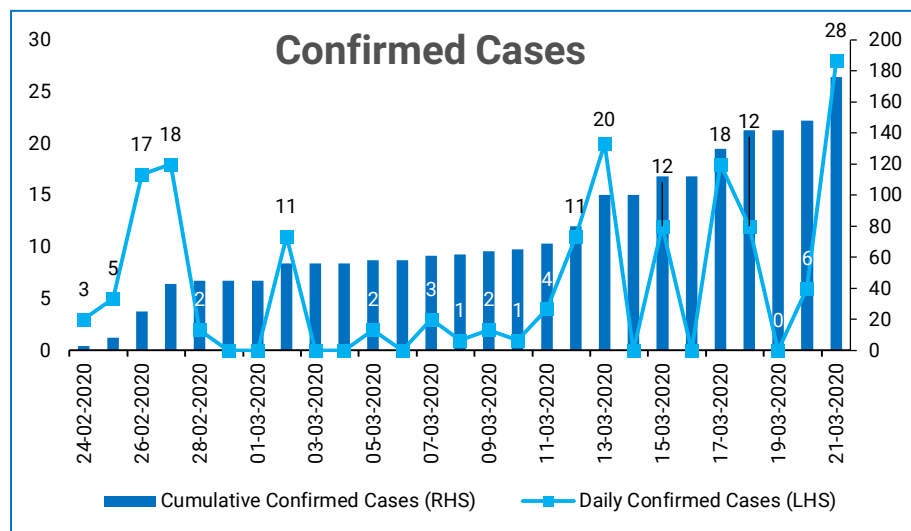
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Recovered

27

of Covid-19 Test*

NA



What authorities are actioning?

- Suspension of schools and universities until Aug. 4 ; Kuwait will impose a nationwide curfew starting on Sunday from 5 p.m. until 4 a.m.
- Kuwaiti cabinet has decided to extend the suspension of work in all ministries and state agencies by two additional weeks, until 12th April
- Kuwait increases ministries, governmental departments budget by KD500mn for fiscal year 2020/2021
- CBK cuts interest rates by 100bps to 1.5%, effective from 17th March

Coronavirus Cases in UAE



Confirmed Cases

153

Death

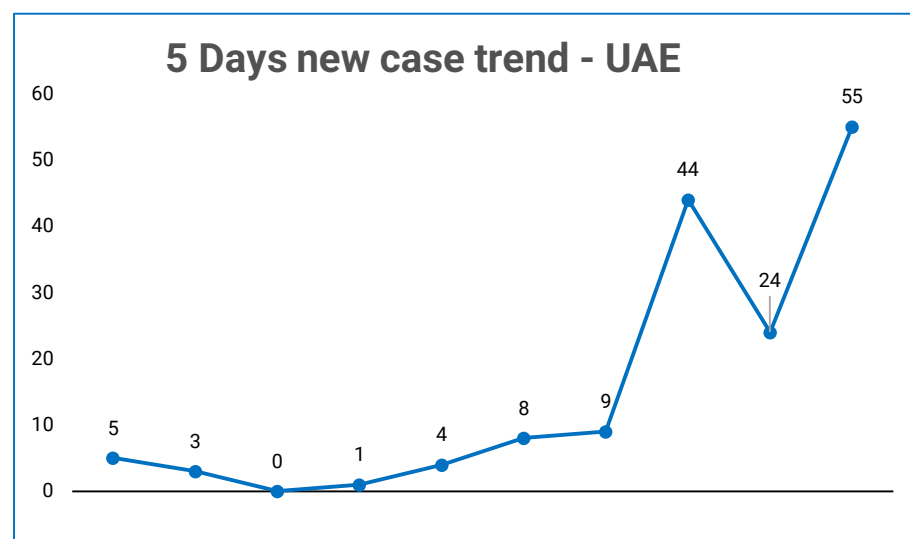
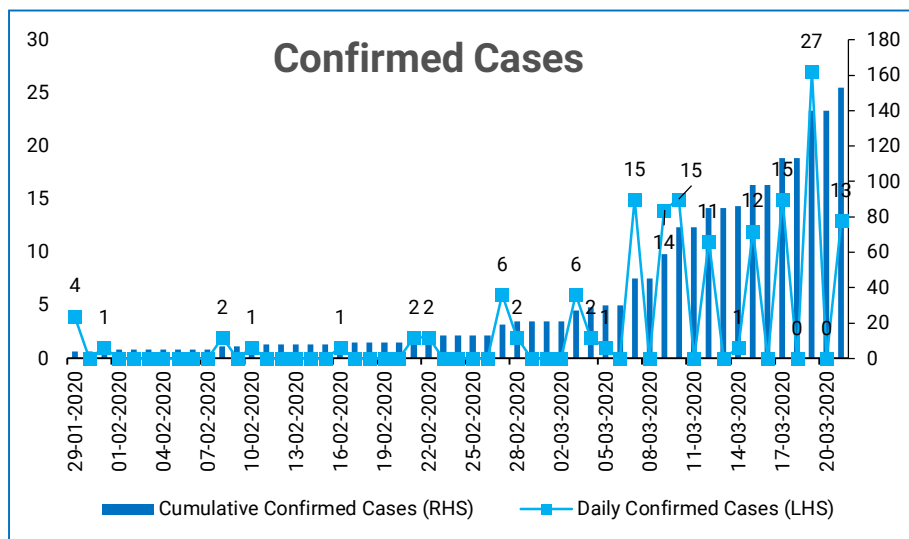
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Recovered

38

of Covid-19 Test*

125,000



What authorities are actioning?

- Loans to be rescheduled, delayed ; Beaches, parks to close ; Restaurants to stay open at reduced capacity
- EXPO 2020 Dubai on track for October launch, some changes to planned preparation likely due to COVID-19 outbreak
- UAE bans its citizens from traveling, bars entry to residency visa holders for two weeks, suspends work permit issuance
- UAE's Central Bank announces a comprehensive 100 bn Dirham targeted economic support scheme aimed at containing Coronavirus

Coronavirus Cases in Qatar



Confirmed Cases

481

Death

0

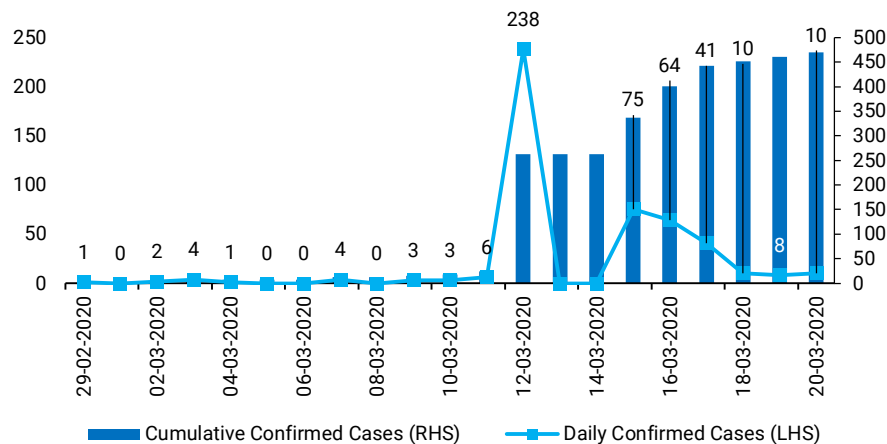
Recovered

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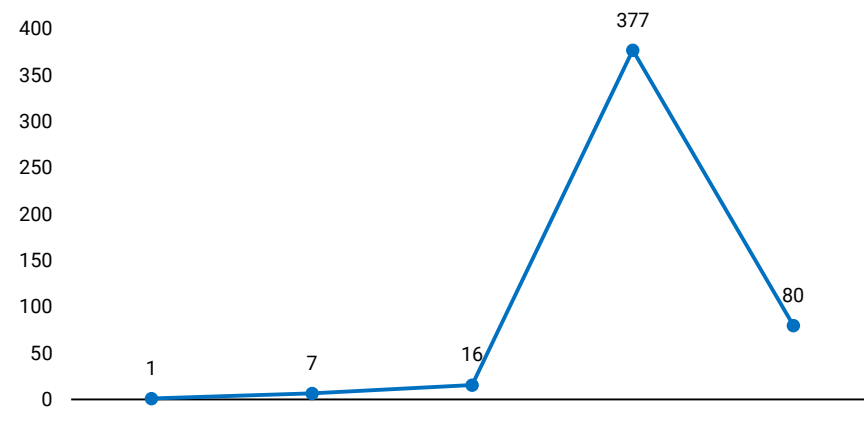
of Covid-19 Test*

8,400

Confirmed Cases



5 Days new case trend - Qatar



What authorities are actioning?

- Qatar Bans Gatherings, Deploy Patrols to Contain Coronavirus; closure of parks and public beaches until further notice
- Qatar suspends delivery of Visas on arrival to a number of European countries starting March, until further notice
- Qatar suspends schools and universities because of coronavirus outbreak
- Qatar announced the closure of all shops and bank branches. 80% of government employees were also ordered to work from home.

Coronavirus Cases in Bahrain



Confirmed Cases

310

Death

1

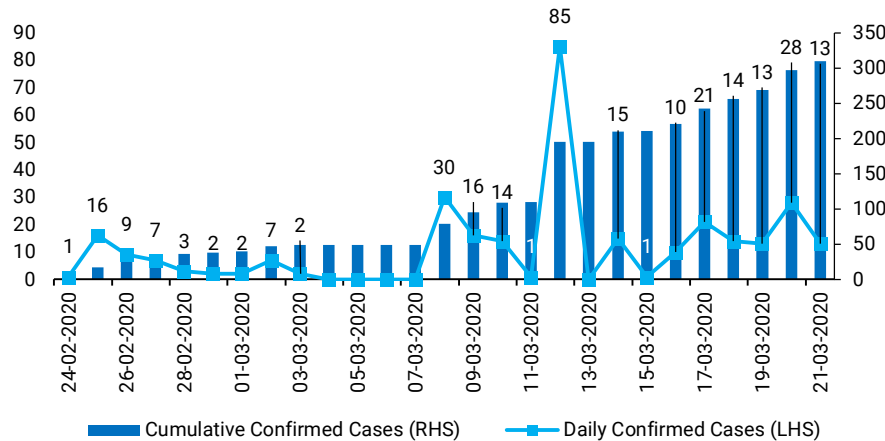
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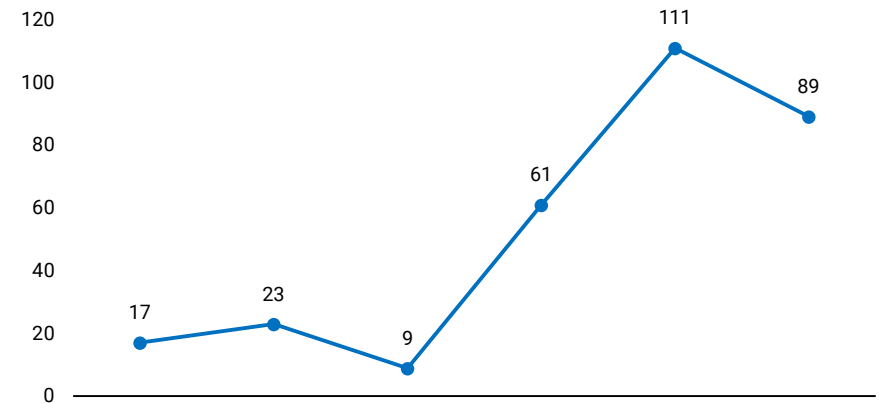
of Covid-19 Test*

18,645

Confirmed Cases



5 Days new case trend - Bahrain



What authorities are actioning?

- Central Bank of Bahrain asks Banks, Financing companies must offer 6 month deferral on instalments, at no fees, for borrowers impacted
- Bahrain cabinet authorizes Finance Minister to withdraw funds from Public Account not exceeding 5% to deal with emergency measures
- Bahrain reports first death from Coronavirus - Health Ministry
- Bahrain Grand Prix to be participant –only event due to Coronavirus

Coronavirus Cases in Oman



Confirmed Cases

52

Death

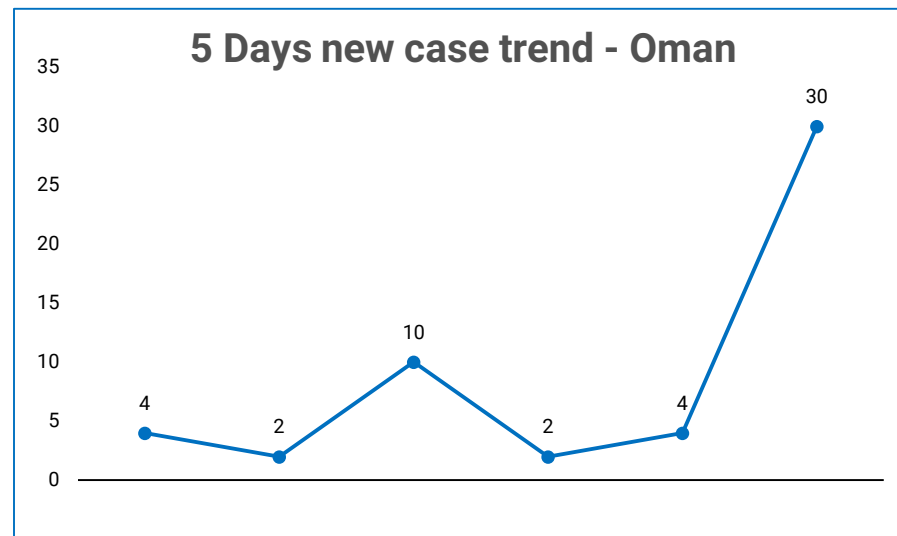
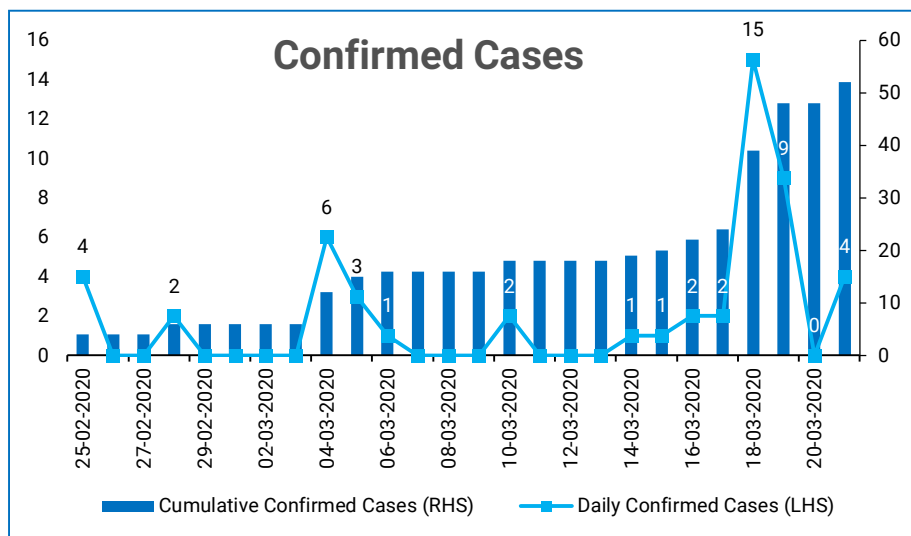
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Recovered

13

of Covid-19 Test*

NA



What authorities are actioning?

- Prescribed budget cuts of 5% in the budgets of the respective ministries and units
- Set aside funds to ensure food supply and reserves as well as to implement measures against the spread of coronavirus
- Oman closes parks, suspends Friday prayers, and social gatherings
- All sports events were cancelled, court attendance limited to essential personnel
- Friday prayers are to be stopped and social gatherings like weddings are banned

Tightening Lockdowns and Billions in Stimulus

Global

GCC

USA

U.S. Coronavirus Cases Jump; FDA Approves Rapid Test

The US Food and Drug Administration approves the use of the first rapid diagnostic test that could detect the novel coronavirus in approximately 45 minutes

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White House adviser says US stimulus could top \$2tn

The US government is working on a \$1 trillion-plus bill aimed at stemming the coronavirus pandemic's economic fallout for workers, industries and small businesses.

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EU

EU executive moves to formalize suspension of EU budget rules

The European Union moves to suspend EU budget rules that limit borrowing to help deal with the crisis.

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Coronavirus death toll surges in Italy and Spain

The death toll from the coronavirus has surpassed 6,000 in Europe, with Italy and Spain reporting a steep rise in infections

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Asia-Pacific

India imposes curfew as Malaysia deploys armed forces

Malaysia deployed the armed forces to help the country's police enforce a national lockdown; Singapore and Vietnam ban visitors to slow the spread of the pandemic.

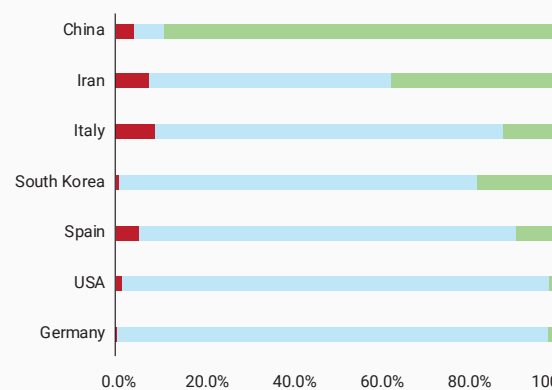
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China sees continued rise in imported coronavirus cases

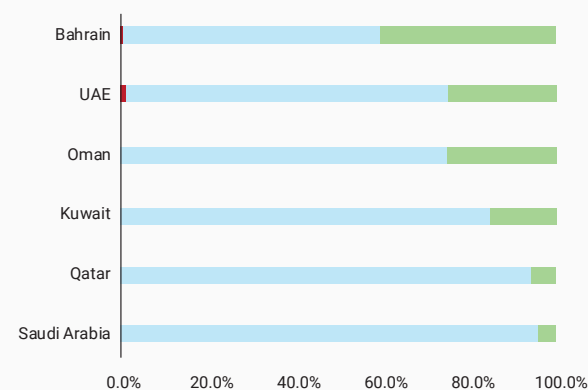
While China has drastically reduced the number of reported domestically transmitted cases there is a steady rise in imported cases, mostly from Chinese people returning from abroad.

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Global Distribution of COVID-19 Cases, current status



GCC Distribution of COVID-19 Cases, current status



■ Deaths ■ Unresolved ■ Recovered

Kuwait

Kuwait extends obligatory work suspension by further two weeks

The Kuwait cabinet extends the suspension of work in all ministries and state agencies for two more weeks

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Kuwait government imposes partial curfew, extends holiday for two weeks

In order to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus, government imposed an 11-hour curfew that would start by Sunday at 5:00 pm until 4:00 am the following day.

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Bahrain

Bahrain: LMRA Changes Work Procedures From Today

The Labour Market Regulatory Authority has outlined contingency work procedures that come into effect today

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Government of Bahrain to pay residents' electricity and water bills for three months

As a part of a BHD4.3 billion economic stimulus package, the government of Bahrain will pay residents' and businesses' electricity and water bills for three months from April 2020.

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Qatar

Qatar vows to protect all residents amid Industrial Area breakout

Qatar reports the highest number of COVID 19 cases in the GCC, the government is making all efforts to protect its residents and the millions of expatriate workers.

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Qatar prohibits all forms of gathering

As a recent measure to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, the government has closed the parks and beaches, prohibiting any public gathering.

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UAE

First two virus deaths announced in the UAE

UAE announced the country's first two deaths caused by coronavirus, early on Saturday, the government urges its citizens to adhere to the precautionary measures.

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Banks offer installment plans on school fees, loans, card payments

UAE banks announced relief measures for their retail, SME and other corporate customers to overcome the challenges from the impact of coronavirus.

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Oman

Oman approves coronavirus mitigation measures

Oman approved a set of measures to deal with the economic impact of coronavirus, which includes ensuring all government functionalities adhered to the prescribed 5 percent cut in their budgets.

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Four new coronavirus cases reported in Oman

The Ministry of Health has announced registering four new cases of coronavirus in the country bringing the total number of cases to 52.

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Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia announces \$32bn worth of measures to mitigate coronavirus impact

To mitigate the impact of coronavirus across the economy, Saudi Arabia announced a 120-billion Saudi riyal worth of initiatives.

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Saudi reports 70 new Covid-19 cases, total rises to 344

The total number of cases infected with the novel coronavirus in the Kingdom reached 344, with 70 new cases registered.

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