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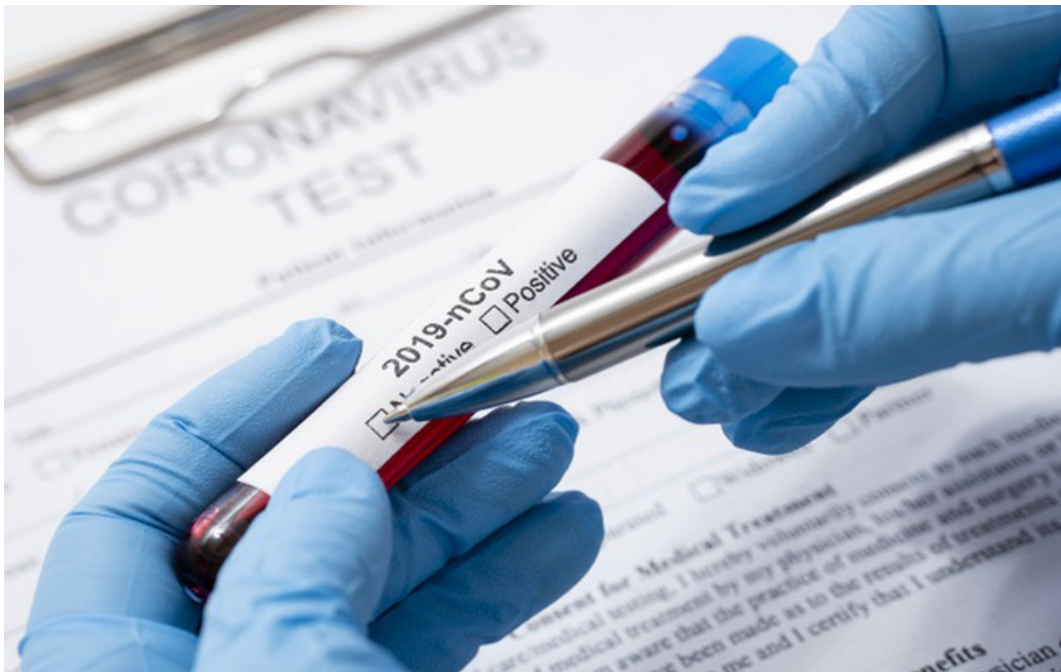
Bosnia confirms first COVID-19 death, cases rise to 126

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SARAJEVO (Bosnia and Herzegovina), March 23 (SeeNews) - Bosnia's Federation entity Institute for Public Health confirmed on Monday the first death in the country related to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), as the total

number of cases in the country rose to 126.

The number of confirmed cases of the coronavirus disease in the Federation rose to 36, the Federation's Institute for Public Health said on Monday.

At the same time the health ministry of Bosnia's other entity - the Serb Republic - said in a statement on Sunday that confirmed COVID-19 cases on its territory number 90.

Bosnia and Herzegovina is made up of two autonomous entities - the Federation and the Serb Republic.

On Saturday the Federation's Civil Protection Unit and the Serb Republic's interior ministry introduced a curfew for all citizens, restricting movement across the entities' territory from 6 PM to 5 AM.

On March 10, the Serb Republic government closed all schools and banned public gatherings for 21 days. On March 16, the entity's government declared a state of emergency.

On March 13, Bosnia's government closed the borders to foreigners coming from areas with a high number of COVID-19 cases. All Bosnian citizens arriving in the country will be subject to self-isolation of 14 days as of March 16.

On March 17, Bosnia's government declared a state of emergency in an attempt to curb the spread of the coronavirus disease in the country.