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# The Coronavirus in Asia and ASEAN – Live Updates by Country

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Due to the developing situation in China and Asia concerning the Coronavirus, we will be operating this article as a running live update service to keep businesses involved in ASEAN and Asia updated with the latest relevant regional news.

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## Travel Advisory

We are hearing accounts of travelers in some ASEAN countries being denied entry if they possess *any* China visa history in their passport. While this may not be official policy, it appears to be implemented at certain border crossings in more remote areas. Intra-Asia travel may best be arranged through main exit-entry points where facilities are more advanced.

ASEAN coronavirus updates (Live updates by country)

### Brunei

- 138 cases in the country.
- 137 cases in the country.
- Cases in the country are now 136.
- The total number of cases reaches 135.
- The number of cases has increased to 133.
- 131 COVID-19 cases in Brunei as of April 1
- The number of cases has reached 129.
- Brunei reported its first coronavirus death on Saturday.
- There are 115 cases in Brunei.

- Cases in Brunei increase to 91.
- The number of cases in Brunei has reached 88. Two patients have recovered.
- Brunei said its citizens and foreign residents in the country are barred from leaving the nation. The number of cases has risen to 50.

## **Cambodia**

- 122 cases recorded in the country.
- 120 cases in the country.
- Cambodia has 119 cases of COVID-19.
- Cambodia has reported four more cases, raising the total to 114.
- Cambodia has 110 cases.
- The country has 109 recorded cases.
- The Prime Minister has ordered the closure of all casinos in the country. The number of cases in the country has reached 107.
- The number of cases in the country stands at 99.
- Cambodia has confirmed another 12 cases of coronavirus. There are now 24 known cases in the country.
- Cambodia has reported four new cases of the coronavirus, including a four-month-old baby. The number of cases has risen to 12.
- Cambodia has ordered the closure of schools in the capital, Phnom Penh, and the popular tourist destination of Siem Reap.
- Cambodia has announced a ban on the entry of foreigners from Italy, Germany, Spain, France and the US for 30 days.
- Cambodia has found three British nationals infected with the coronavirus on a tourist boat on the Mekong River.

## **Indonesia**

- Infections in the country increased by 185 on April 20 to 6,760 with the death toll increasing by eight to 590. The number of patients recovered stands at 747.
- The country reported 327 new cases on April 19, bringing the national total to 6,575. The death toll also increased by 47 to 582. The number of patients recovered is 686.
- As of April 18, the number of cases increased by 325 to 6,248. The death toll also increased by 15 to 535 while 631 have recovered.

- The number of positive cases has increased by 407 to 5,923. The death toll increased by 244 to 520 whereas the number of recovered patients increased by 59 to 607.
- The Governor of Jakarta has said that the current large scale restriction policy in the city is likely to be extended.
- 380 new cases in Indonesia on April 16, bringing the total to 5,516. The death toll increased by 27 to 496. The number of recovered increased by 102 to 548.
- Another 297 new cases in the country, bringing the total to 5,136. The death toll also increased to 469. The number of patients that recovered has now reached 446.
- Indonesia recorded 282 new cases, bringing the total to 4,839. The death toll increased by 60 to 459. The number of patients recovered has reached 426.
- The country announced 316 new cases, bringing the national total to 4,557. The death toll also increased to 399.
- Positive cases in the country have increased to 4,241 with the number of deaths also increasing to 373. The number of recovered has reached 359.
- Indonesia has imposed curbs on public transport ahead of the annual exodus to home villages that marks the end of the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan.
- The number of cases in the country has increased by 330 to 3,842. The death toll also increased by 21 to 327. Only 286 have recovered.

## **Laos**

- The country now has 19 cases.
- 18 people are now positive for COVID-19.
- The country has 16 cases.
- Laos has now recorded 10 cases.
- The government has closed all international checkpoints to stop passengers from exiting and entering the country. The country has confirmed eight cases of COVID-19.
- The country has recorded six cases of COVID-19.
- Laos has recorded its first two cases of COVID-19. The two include a 28-year-old male hotel worker and a 36-year-old female tour guide.
- The government will postpone the 11th National Sports Games.
- The US government has provided personal protective equipment to Laos which includes 440 protective goggles, 1,500 surgical gowns, and 220 face shields,

along with biohazard disposal bags, aprons, N95 face masks, safety boxes, gloves, and hand sanitizer supplies.

## **Malaysia**

- 84 new cases reported on April 19, bringing the total to 5,389 and 89 deaths.
- 54 new infections on April 18, bringing the national total to 5,305 and 88 deaths.
- Malaysia on April 17 reported 69 new coronavirus cases, taking the total to 5,251 patients, 86 of whom have died.
- Malaysia reports an additional 110 cases and one more death. The total number of cases has reached 5,182 with the total number of fatalities to 84.
- The number of cases has now reached 5,072 with the death toll at 83.
- An Additional 170 cases recorded in Malaysia, bringing the national total to 4,987. the number of deaths increased to 82.
- 134 new cases in the country, raising the cumulative total to 4,817. The number of fatalities has also risen to 77.
- Another 153 cases recorded in the country, bringing the total to 4,683. The death toll has also reached 76.
- The country has reported an additional 184 new cases as of April 11, bringing the total to 4,530. The death toll also increased to 73.
- Malaysia on Friday reported 118 new COVID-19 cases, bringing the national total to 4,346. The death toll has also increased to 70.
- The country has extended the restriction on movement and travel for a further two weeks until April 28.
- Malaysia reported 109 new coronavirus infections, raising its cumulative total to 4,228 cases. There were also two new deaths, raising the total number of fatalities to 67.
- Malaysia reported 156 new cases of the infection, pushing the cumulative total to 4,119. The number of deaths reached 65.
- The country has declared its administrative capital of Putrajaya as a “red zone” following a surge in coronavirus cases in the region.
- Malaysian reported 170 new coronavirus cases, raising the tally to 3,963.
- Malaysia recorded 131 new cases, bringing the total to 3,793 with the number of deaths reaching 63.

## **Myanmar**

- 107 infections in the country and five deaths.
- 94 cases recorded in the country and five deaths.
- Myanmar will release 25,000 prisoners amid coronavirus fears.
- The number of infections has reached 85.
- Myanmar now has 74 infections and four deaths.
- 63 cases now reported in Myanmar.
- 39 cases recorded in the country amid four deaths.
- The country is extending a ban on international flights into the country until April 30.
- 28 cases of COVID-19 in Myanmar.
- Myanmar now has 27 cases and three deaths.
- Two more people have died from COVID-19, bringing the total to three. The number of cases is 22.
- The number of cases increases to 21.
- The country has confirmed 15 cases.
- Myanmar has reported its first death from the coronavirus.
- Myanmar suspended issuing entry visas starting on Sunday, March 29, as part of efforts to curb the spread of the virus.
- The country now has five cases of COVID-19.
- Myanmar has reported its first cases of COVID-19, two Myanmar nationals, a 36-year-old travelling from the United States and 26-year-old returning from Britain.

## **Philippines**

- Another 172 infections recorded in the Philippines, bringing the national total to 6,259. The death toll increased by 12 to 409.
- The Health Ministry has reported 10 new coronavirus deaths and 209 additional infections. Total infections have now reached 6,087, while deaths have reached 397.
- The country has 5,878 infections and 387 deaths.
- 207 new cases and 13 new deaths. This brings the cumulative total to 5,660 infections and 362 deaths.
- The Philippines reports 230 new confirmed cases of coronavirus on April 15, and 14 deaths. This brings the number of confirmed cases to 5,453 and the number of deaths to 353.
- Covid-19 has so far infected 5,223 people locally and killed 335.

- The Health Ministry on Monday reported 18 new coronavirus deaths and 284 additional infections. The death toll has reached 315 while the number of infections has reached 4,932.
- 4,648 cases now recorded in the country amid 297 deaths.
- The Philippines reported 26 new COVID-19-related deaths on April 11, taking the total to 247. The total number of infections has reached 4,428.
- The Health Ministry has reported 18 more coronavirus deaths and 119 new infections. This brings the death toll to 221 with the number of confirmed cases at 4,195.
- 106 new cases in the country, bringing the total to 3,870. The number of deaths also increased to 96.
- The country currently has 3,764 confirmed cases and 177 virus-related deaths.
- The President has extended the lockdown of the country's main island of Luzon, including Manila, until the end of April.
- The Philippines reported 11 additional deaths and 414 new infections. Total deaths have now reached 163 and cases rose to 3,660, while 73 patients had recovered.
- The health ministry of the Philippines has reported the number of infections has risen to 3,094 while the number of deaths has also increased to 144.
- The number of cases in the country reaches 3,018 with 136 deaths.
- Bernardita Catalla, the Philippines Ambassador to Lebanon, has died from COVID-19.
- The President has warned that residents who break quarantine could be shot by the police.
- The Philippines recorded 227 new coronavirus cases and eight more deaths. This brings the total number of infections to 2,311 and the total number of deaths to 96.
- The health ministry reported its single largest daily increase in deaths and infections. Ten more people died, bringing the total number of fatalities to 88, while 538 additional infections increased overall cases to 2,084.

## **Singapore**

- Singapore has preliminary confirmed 1,426 new coronavirus cases as of midday on April 20, with the vast majority of these coming from work permit holders

residing in foreign worker dormitories. This brings the total number of infections to 8,014.

- Singapore reported 596 new cases as of April 19, bringing the national total to 6,588.
- The country reported 942 infections on April 18, bringing the national total to 5,992.
- Singapore reports another 623 new cases on April 17, bringing the total number of infections in the country to 5,050. The majority of these new cases have come from foreign worker dormitories.
- The country recorded a record 728 new cases, bringing the national total to 4,427.
- A record 447 new cases in the country, taking the national total to 3,699.
- The government has now made wearing a mask compulsory for anyone going outside. Anyone found without a mask will be fined 300 Singapore dollars (US\$212), while repeat offenders could be prosecuted in court and face higher fines.
- Singapore's health ministry has confirmed 334 more coronavirus infections, taking its tally to 3,252.
- Another 386 cases reported in the country, bringing the total to 2,918. The country also recorded one more death, raising the total to nine.
- The country is preparing to house hundreds of foreign workers in accommodation vessels typically used for offshore and marine industry staff.
- The country has registered 233 new coronavirus cases, bringing the total number of infections to 2,532.
- An additional 191 cases reported in the country, bringing the national total to 2,229. The death toll is now eight.
- The country reported another 198 new cases, taking the total number of cases to 2,108. The death toll also increased to six. The total number of recoveries in the city state jumped to 492.
- Singapore reported 287 new cases of COVID-19, bringing the national tally to 1,910. There are six deaths in the country.
- Singapore reported 142 new cases of COVID-19 on Wednesday, bringing the national total to 1,623.
- The Health Ministry reported 106 new cases, most of them locally transmitted, taking the total to 1,481.

- The country confirmed 66 more coronavirus cases, bringing the total number to 1,375.
- Singapore has told 20,000 foreign workers to stay in their dormitories for 14 days.
- Singapore just announced a third stimulus package worth US\$3.6 billion to soften the economic damage from the ongoing coronavirus outbreak.
- The country's health ministry reported 120 new cases of the virus on Sunday, bringing the total number of cases to 1,309.
- The country has expanded its stay-home notice to include countries such as France, India, Switzerland and all of the ASEAN region.
- Singapore confirmed 75 more cases, bringing the total to 1,189.
- The country reported 65 new cases, bringing the national total to 1,114 infections.
- The Prime Minister announced that most workplaces will be closed from next Tuesday (April 7) and all schools will move to full home-based learning a day later.
- The country recorded its fifth COVID-19 related death.
- Infections have increased by 49 to 1,049 with the number of deaths increased to four.

## **Thailand**

- 32 new cases on April 19, bringing the national total to 2,765. The death toll still stands at 47.
- Thailand reported 33 new infections, bringing the nation's total to 2,733.
- 28 new cases in Thailand, bringing the national total to 2,700 with the death toll at 47.
- The total number of infections has increased to 2,672 with 46 deaths.
- The country now has 2,643 cases amid 43 deaths.
- Thailand has extended a ban on incoming passenger flights until the end of the month.
- Total infections have reached 2,613 with 41 deaths.
- An increase in infections has raised the total to 2,579. The number of deaths has reached 40.
- Thailand reported 33 new coronavirus infections on Sunday, bringing the national total to 2,551 cases. The death toll has reached 38.

- Thailand recorded 45 new coronavirus infections on April 11, bringing the total to 2,518. The death toll also rose from 33 to 35.
- The country has 2,473 cases and 33 deaths.
- Thailand has reported three more deaths. 30 people have now died from the virus with a total of 2,369 confirmed cases.
- Thailand has extended a ban on all passenger flights from landing in the country for 12 more days until the end of April 18.
- Thailand reported 51 new coronavirus cases and three more deaths on Monday. The country has confirmed 2,220 cases and 26 fatalities.
- The country reported 89 new cases, bringing the national total to 2,067.
- There are now 1,978 infections and 19 deaths in the country.
- Thailand has announced an indefinite, nationwide curfew starting on Friday. Residents will not be allowed to leave their premises between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m.
- Thailand has reported 104 new coronavirus cases, bringing its total to 1,875 cases. The number of deaths stands at 15.

## **Vietnam**

- Vietnamese authorities have proposed to stop the shipping of goods through the Tan Thanh border gate with China in the northern Lang Son province due to the severe congestion of trucks. Officials state there are more than 2,600 trucks waiting at border gates, with only 600 trucks cleared by customs – a 50 percent reduction than before. The congestion has been due to China tightening border control recently.
- Hanoi authorities have begun screening sellers at local wholesale markets with quick-result test kits to fight the pandemic. No new cases reported in the last 72 hours.
- 1,523 companies were dissolved in Ho Chi Minh City in the first quarter of the year as per the city's municipal people's committee.
- Vietnam donated US\$100,000 worth of face masks and medical equipment to Japan as well as 200,000 facemasks to the US to assist these countries in the fight against COVID-19.
- As of April 16, Vietnam's Ministry of Health confirmed a total of 268 cases of COVID-19. However, 171 of the affected patients have recovered and discharged from hospitals.

- Vietnam isolated a village in the northern Dong Van district, Ha Giang province on the border with China after the latest confirmed case was from there.
- Vietnam has divided all localities as 'high-risk, 'at-risk' and 'low-risk' to deal with measures related to the pandemic.
- Social distancing measures will be loosened in other areas of the country allowing some industries and businesses to resume operations from April 16. Nevertheless, all localities must still enforce regulations on wearing face masks, avoiding mass gatherings, keeping a two-meter distance in social interactions, and observing strict hygiene standards.
- Vietnam extended the social isolation measures at least until April 22 for high-risk localities, which include Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City, and Da Nang cities as well as the provinces of Lao Cai, Quang Ninh, Bac Ninh, Ninh Binh, Quang Nam, Binh Thuan, Khanh Hoa, Tay Ninh, and Ha Tinh. The measures could be extended to April 30, depending on the situation in these localities.
- Vietnam's Ministry of Industry and Trade has decided to cut electricity bills for businesses and households by 10 percent for three months. Details of how this will be implemented are expected soon.
- As of April 15, Vietnam's Ministry of Health confirmed a total of 267 cases of COVID-19. However, 169 of the affected patients have recovered and discharged from hospitals.
- 266 cases now recorded in Vietnam.
- As of April 14, Vietnam's Ministry of Health confirmed a total of 265 cases of COVID-19. However, 155 of the affected patients have recovered and discharged from hospitals.
- Authorities ordered people working at a unit of Samsung Display in Bac Ninh province to be quarantined and isolated the Samsung factory after a worker tested positive for COVID-19. Samsung however, stated that its production lines remain unaffected.
- 265 cases recorded in the country.

## Other Asian countries and Regions

### **Afghanistan**

- The number of cases has now reached 1,026 amid 33 deaths.
- The country now has 996 infections and 33 deaths.

- 993 cases in the country and 32 deaths.
- At least 20 officials working at President Ashraf Ghani's palace have tested positive for coronavirus. 933 have tested positive in the country.
- 840 cases now recorded in the country with 30 deaths.
- The total number of infections has reached 784.
- The number of confirmed cases reached 714 with the death toll at 23.
- 665 cases now reported in the country.
- The country's number of confirmed cases reached 607. The EU has directed US\$127 million in aid to help the country battle the outbreak.
- The number of COVID-19 infections reached 555.
- The number of confirmed cases in the country reached 521.
- 367 cases so far recorded in Afghanistan
- 38 new Coronavirus cases have been confirmed, bringing the total number of infections to 337.
- The number of cases has reached 299 with the death toll at seven.
- The World Bank has approved a US\$100m aid plan to help Afghanistan's fight against coronavirus. This comes after the country recorded its sixth death and 199 infections.
- There are now 239 infections and four deaths.
- The total number of infections rises to 174.
- The number of cases has reached 120.
- Afghanistan has reported an increase in the number of cases, rising to 95.
- The number of infections in the country has risen to 84.
- The country has reported 33 new COVID-19 cases in the last 24 hours, bringing the total to 75. The number of deaths stands at two.

## **Bangladesh**

- The country now has 2,456 and 91 deaths.
- 2,144 cases in the country and 84 deaths.
- An additional 341 cases, bringing the national total to 1,572. The death toll is now 60.
- Another 219 cases and four deaths recorded in the country. This brings the total number of cases 1,231 and number of deaths to 50.
- The country now has 1,012 cases and 46 deaths.
- Bangladesh has now 803 cases amid 39 deaths.

- 621 cases now reported in the country
- 482 cases reported in the country with the death toll at 30.
- The country has extended the nationwide lockdown by 11 days.
- The country has 424 cases and 27 deaths.
- Bangladesh has imposed a lockdown in the southern district of Cox's Bazar, home to more than a million Rohingya refugees. The country has reported 218 cases of coronavirus and 20 deaths.
- Bangladesh reported its highest daily infections as 41 new cases took the total to more than 160.
- 123 cases recorded in the country.
- The number of cases has increased to 61.
- There are now 54 cases in the country with six deaths.
- 48 cases in Bangladesh amid four deaths.
- 39 cases reported in the country with five deaths recorded.
- The country will issue a general holiday starting from Thursday until April 4. The army will enforce social distancing.
- Thirty-three cases in the country, with the total deaths standing at three.
- Bangladesh has reported its first death from the novel coronavirus while 14 patients are infected with the disease across the country.
- Educational institutions across Bangladesh will be suspended for the next two weeks. The number of cases nationwide is eight.

## **Bahrain**

- Bahrain has 1,881 cases.
- There are now 1,873 cases.
- 1,767 cases in Bahrain.
- 1,700 cases reported in the country.
- There are now 1,698 infections in Bahrain.
- 143 new infections in Bahrain, bringing the death toll to 1,671.
- Infections have now reached 1,522 amid seven deaths.
- The country now has 1,348 cases.
- Bahrain has recorded 1,087 cases.
- 1,016 cases reported in the country.
- Bahrain has 913 cases and six deaths.
- A total of 723 cases recorded in Bahrain.

- Bahrain now has 672 cases with four deaths.
- Cases in the country reach 567.
- The number of infections stands at 466 amid eight deaths.
- The government will deliver a US\$11.4 billion stimulus package.
- Bahrain has recorded its second death, with the number of cases reaching 183.
- The total number of cases reaches 332.
- The Formula One races in Bahrain and Vietnam have been postponed.

## **East Timor**

- 19 cases recorded in the country.
- East Timor now has 18 cases.
- Cases in the country now reach eight.
- Another two cases reported in the country.
- East Timor has a total of two cases.

## **Hong Kong**

- Hong Kong reported zero new cases of COVID-19 on April 20, the first time it has done so since March 5.
- 1,026 cases in the country.
- 1,024 cases now in Hong Kong.
- Cathay Pacific Airways is laying off hundreds of cabin crew in the United States and shutting down cabin crew bases in New York, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. This is set to lay off 286 staff.
- 1,018 cases in Hong Kong.
- 1,017 cases in Hong Kong.
- Infections have now reached 1,013.
- Hong Kong now as 1,10 cases.
- Hong Kong has recorded 1,005 cases so far.
- 1,001 cases reported in Hong Kong.
- The number of cases has reached 990.
- The number of cases jumps to 915.
- The number of cases has reached 862.
- Hong Kong will ban group gatherings with more than four people in public places from March 29 to April 11 with offenders liable to a fixed penalty of HK\$2,000

(\$258), or if charged in a court, a maximum penalty of a HK\$25,000 (US\$3,225) and imprisonment for six months.

- The city recorded 43 new cases, bringing the total to 845.
- There are now 765 cases in Hong Kong with four deaths.
- Cases in the city rise to 714.
- Cases in the city have reached 682.
- The number of cases in Hong Kong reaches 518.
- Hong Kong will ban all non-residents from entering the city as of March 25.
- The city has reported 44 more cases, bringing the citywide total to 317.

## **India**

- The number of infections now stands at 17,615 amid 559 deaths.
- India has 16,365 infections and 521 deaths.
- The country now has 14,792 and 488 deaths.
- 13,495 cases reported.
- The number of cases has reached 13,430 with 448 deaths.
- The number of infections has now reached 12,759 with the death toll at 423.
- The Indian state of Kerala is set to convert thousands of its iconic houseboats into isolation wards. Around 2,000 houseboats are currently being converted.
- 11,555 cases in India and 405 deaths in total.
- India will allow producers of IT hardware, industries and farmers in rural areas to resume operations on April 20.
- India has 11,439 infections and 377 deaths.
- 10,541 cases in India and 358 deaths.
- India's nationwide lockdown is to be extended till May 3.
- India has 9,635 cases and 331 deaths.
- The country has reported 9,166 cases and 289 cases.
- India reported 910 new cases of coronavirus and 34 more COVID-19-related deaths in the past 24 hours. The nationwide total has now reached 8,356 amid 273 deaths.
- 7,997 cases reported in the country with 249 deaths.
- The country's Prime Minister has extended the lockdown without saying how long the extension would be.
- India now has 7,062 cases and 229 deaths.

- India's nationwide tally for confirmed COVID-19 cases is 5,916, including 178 deaths.
- The number of cases has reached 4,553.
- Three doctors and 26 nurses at the Wockhardt hospital in Mumbai have tested positive for COVID-19.
- The Prime Minister and other top government figures will take a 30 percent salary cut this year.
- India has placed a blanket ban on all exports of hydroxychloroquine.
- India's Ministry of Health announced on Monday that a total of 4,067 people have tested positive for COVID-19. 109 people have died.

## **Iran**

- There are now 82,211 infections and 5,118 deaths.
- Iran will ease restrictions by allowing bazaars and shopping malls to reopen from April 20.
- There have been 73 new coronavirus deaths meaning there have been a total of 5,031 in the country so far. The number of people diagnosed with COVID-19 in the country has reached 80,868.
- Iran's death toll from the coronavirus reached 4,958. The total number of cases of infection reached 79,494.
- Iran announced 92 new deaths, bringing its official total to 4,869. 1,606 new infections had been confirmed in the past 24 hours, taking the overall figure to 77,995.
- Iran's new coronavirus death toll rose to 4777. The number of infections has reached 76,389.
- The country recorded 98 deaths on April 14, the first time to do so in one month. this brings the national death toll to 4,683.
- Iran recorded an additional 111 deaths, bringing the total to 4,585. The total number of infected cases had reached 73,303.
- The number of deaths has risen by 117 in the past day to 4,474. In total, the country has recorded 71,686 cases nationwide.
- There were 1,837 new infections as of April 11, bringing the total number to 70,029. The death toll also rose to 4,357.

- Iran's total death toll from the coronavirus outbreak has risen to 4,232. The total number diagnosed with the virus increased by 1,972 in the past 24 hours to a total of 68,192.
- Iran on Wednesday reported 121 new deaths from the virus, bringing its overall number of fatalities to 3,993. The number of confirmed cases reached 64,586.
- Iran's coronavirus death toll rose to 3,872. The total number of cases climbed to 62,589.
- There have been 2,274 new cases of coronavirus in the past 24 hours in Iran, bringing the nationwide total to 60,500. The death toll also increased to 3,739.
- The President announced that "low-risk" economic activities would resume from April 11.
- The number of COVID-19 infections stood at 58,226 while the death toll from the outbreak was 3,603.
- Iran's death toll climbed to 3,452 on Saturday. The total number of cases diagnosed with the virus reached 55,743.

## **Iraq**

- The country now has 1,539 cases.
- The country now has 1,513 cases and 82 deaths.
- 1,434 cases reported in the country.
- 1,415 cases recorded in the country.
- 1,400 cases in the country.
- Iraq has 1,378 and 78 deaths.
- Iraq has 1,352 cases and 76 deaths.
- There are now 1,279 cases in Iraq.
- Iraq now has 1,232 cases and 69 deaths.
- A total of 961 cases of COVID-19 reported in the country.
- There are now 820 cases in the country.
- 630 cases recorded in Iraq.
- Iraq has recorded 547 coronavirus cases and 42 deaths.
- Iraq now has 458 cases and 40 deaths from the pandemic.
- Infections have now reached 266.
- The number of cases in the country reaches 233.
- The government has imposed a nationwide lockdown until March 28. This comes as the death toll rises to 20.

- Iraq has suspended all flights to and from Baghdad airport as of March 17 until March 24.
- Iraq has banned entry to travellers from Germany and Qatar.
- Iraq cancelled Friday prayers in the city of Karbala.

## Japan

- The country has 10,296 cases and 222 deaths as of April 19.
- The number of confirmed cases in the country hit 10,000 on April 18.
- 9,231 cases and 190 deaths in the country.
- Infections in the country now reach 8,626, excluding 712 from the Diamond Princess cruise ship.
- The Prime Minister announced he was considering cash handouts of 100,000 yen (US\$925) for each citizen, instead of the previous plan of 300,000 yen (US\$2,800) per low-income family.
- The Prime Minister has declared that Japan's state of emergency will be extended nationwide through May 6.
- Japan has recorded 488 new coronavirus infections and 17 additional deaths. That brings the country's total number of reported infections to 9,294, including 712 from the Diamond Princess cruise ship.
- The country has reported another 457 new infections, bringing the total number of cases to 8,100. The death toll rose to 131.
- Japan has reported 7,645 confirmed cases of coronavirus, and 109 deaths.
- The country now has 7,618 cases, including 712 infections on the Diamond Princess.
- Hokkaido, in northern Japan, has declared a state of emergency for a second time.
- The country now has 6,748 cases and 108 deaths.
- The total number of novel coronavirus infections in Japan has hit 6,005.
- At least 1,338 cases of the novel coronavirus have been recorded in Tokyo. Across the country, at least 5,480 people have been infected with the virus. The death toll currently stands at 96.
- Japan's government approved an emergency economic stimulus package worth 108.2 trillion yen (\$993 billion).
- Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe formally declared a one-month state of emergency.

- Japanese automaker Toyota announced that it will start producing 500-600 medical face shields per week.
- The country has a total 3,654 cases with 85 deaths.
- The Prime Minister will declare a state of emergency over the coronavirus as early as Tuesday. This comes after the number of infections in Tokyo topped 1,000.
- Japan has confirmed 336 new coronavirus cases with 118 in Tokyo alone.
- The country has 2,935 cases and 69 deaths.

## **Jordan**

- 417 cases recorded in Jordan.
- The country has 413 cases.
- 407 cases reported in the country.
- 402 cases in Jordan.
- Jordan now has 401 cases and seven deaths.
- 391 infections in Jordan.
- 389 cases now in Jordan.
- 381 cases now recorded in Jordan.
- 372 cases recorded in Jordan.
- Jordan has 345 cases.
- The country has 310 cases.
- Infections have increased to 299.
- The number of infections has increased to 278.
- There are 268 cases in Jordan, amid five deaths.

## **Kazakhstan**

- The country now has 1,676.
- There are now 1,615 cases reported in the country.
- The country has 1,362 cases and 17 deaths.
- 1,290 cases in the country and 16 deaths.
- Infections have now reached 1,202 with 14 deaths.
- The country now has 979 infections and 12 deaths.
- 927 cases reported in the country.
- 859 cases recorded in the country.
- The country now has 808 cases and 10 deaths.

- Kazakhstan will extend the state of emergency declared over the outbreak until the end of April.
- Kazakhstan has 629 cases with six deaths.
- The number of infections has increased to 525 with five deaths.
- The number of infections has increased to 460 with three deaths.

## **Kuwait**

- There are now 1,915 cases and seven deaths.
- The country now has 1,751 cases and six deaths.
- Kuwait now has 1,524 cases.
- The country now has 1,405 cases.
- 1,355 cases in Kuwait and three deaths.
- Kuwait has recorded 1,300 cases and two deaths.
- 1,234 cases now recorded in the country.
- The country now has 1,154 cases.
- The country now has 993 cases.
- Kuwait has 665 cases.
- Kuwait has recorded its first death from the COVID-19 outbreak. There are 479 cases in the country.
- Kuwait now has 417 cases.
- Kuwait records 342 cases.
- 289 cases recorded in the country.
- There are now 266 cases in Kuwait. The country has also implemented a nationwide curfew from 4am to 5pm.
- The number of cases in Kuwait has reached 208.
- Cases in Kuwait reach 189.

## **Kyrgyzstan**

- 554 cases now in the country.
- 506 cases now recorded in the country.
- A total of 489 cases recorded in the country.
- 466 infections recorded.
- 449 infections in the country.
- Infections have reached 430.
- Kyrgyzstan has 419 cases.

- 377 cases now reported in the country.
- There are now 339 cases in the country.
- Kyrgyzstan has recorded 298 cases and five deaths.
- There are now 216 cases in the country.
- The number of infections has risen to 144.
- The number of infections has risen to 130.
- The country has reported its first COVID-19 related death.
- Infections have increased to 111
- There are 107 new cases in the country.
- The number of cases currently stands at 58.
- The number of cases in Kyrgyzstan reaches 16.
- Kyrgyzstan has confirmed its first coronavirus cases with three citizens testing positive after arriving from Saudi Arabia.

## **Lebanon**

- 673 cases reported in the country.
- There are now 672 cases.
- 663 infections in Lebanon.
- 658 cases now recorded in the country.
- The country now has 632 cases.
- The total number of cases has reached 630
- 619 cases recorded in the country.
- Lebanon 609 cases and 20 deaths.
- Lebanon has 541 cases and 19 deaths.
- The number of cases increases by 12 to 520.
- The country now has 508 cases with 17 deaths.
- Lebanon has 479 cases and 14 deaths.
- There are 463 cases amid 12 cases.
- Lebanon has 391 cases and seven deaths.
- Cases in the country increase to 368.
- Lebanon will extend the countrywide lockdown until April 12.

## **Macao**

- The number of cases has reached 45.
- Macao records a single infection, bringing the total to 43.

- The number of cases increased by one to 42.
- 41 people have contracted the virus in Macao.
- 33 people have now contracted the virus in Macao.
- Macao will ban visitors from mainland China, Hong-Kong, and Taiwan who have travelled overseas in the last 14 days.
- Macao will ban the entry of most non-residents. 25 people have contracted the virus.
- Macao will quarantine travelers from Germany, France, Spain, and Japan, coming into the country.
- Macao has imposed a compulsory quarantine on people who have traveled to Italy or Iran in the past 14 days.
- Macao has allowed 29 casinos to open but would be operating at 30 percent capacity. Furthermore, the casinos would have to follow new health and safety guidelines. These are mandating all casino employees wear a mask or keep a distance of one meter apart from others, and barring anyone with fevers or acute coughs.

## **Maldives**

- The country has 52 cases.
- 51 cases now reported in the country.
- 34 cases in the Maldives.
- The Maldives has locked down its capital.
- The country has 23 cases.
- The country now has 21 cases.
- 20 cases now reported in the Maldives.
- 19 people have now tested positive for COVID-19.
- 18 people have tested positive for the virus.
- Total cases increase to 14.
- Total cases reach 13.
- The Maldives has reported its first cases of the novel coronavirus in two employees working at a tourist resort.
- The Maldives announced a ban on travelers arriving from China, February 3. Chinese tourists made up the bulk of visitors in 2019.

## **Mongolia**

- 32 cases in the country.
- 31 cases now reported in Mongolia.
- 30 cases in Mongolia.
- Cases of COVID-19 has increased to 16.
- The number of cases has increased by one to 15.
- There are now 14 cases in the country.
- Mongolia has 12 cases of COVID-19.
- Mongolia has 11 cases.
- Mongolia is temporarily banning any travel into the country through its border with Russia.
- Mongolia has barred anyone from entering or leaving its cities for six days. The capital Ulaanbaatar and all province centres are quarantined until March 16.
- Mongolia said on Tuesday that a French national working in the country had been confirmed to have the coronavirus.
- Mongolian President Khaltmaagiin Battulga has been placed under a 14-day quarantine after a one-day visit to China.
- Mongolia will restrict travel from its capital Ulaanbaatar to other provinces until March 3.
- Mongolia has halted all flights from South Korea.

## **Nepal**

- The country has 30 cases.
- 16 cases in the country.
- 14 cases now recorded in Nepal.
- 12 people now confirmed with COVID-19 in the country.
- Three new infections in the country, raising the total to nine.
- The number of cases increased by one to six.
- The country has five cases of the virus.
- Nepal's government announced that it would cancel all climbing permits for Mount Everest from 14 March until 30 April.
- Nepal Government announces suspension of visa-on-arrival for all foreign nationals till 30 April.
- Nepal has one confirmed case, arriving from Shanghai. Screening on arrival has begun.

## North Korea

- North Korea says it released thousands of people from quarantine, including all but three foreigners.
- North Korea's state airliner Air Koryo will run a special flight from Pyongyang to the Russian city of Vladivostok for diplomats and international organisation staff who want to return home.
- North Korea, has postponed the start of the new school term.
- State media has said the government has quarantined 380 foreign nationals.
- North Korea has cancelled its April marathon over the virus outbreak.
- North Korea will impose a 30-day quarantine for all foreign visitors.
- 72nd Anniversary of Military celebrations cancelled in Pyongyang, Seoul warns of "potential crisis" in-country, suggesting that Sinuiju, a North Korean border city with China has had multiple deaths and infections are spreading.

## Oman

- 1,266 cases reported in Oman.
- There are now 1,180 cases in Oman.
- A total of 1,069 cases now reported in the country.
- 1,019 cases in Oman.
- 813 infections in Oman.
- 727 cases now reported in Oman.
- 599 cases now reported in the country amid four deaths.
- The country now has 546 cases.
- Oman has 484 cases and three deaths.
- Oman has 331 cases of COVID-19.
- 25 new infections recorded in the country, raising the total to 277.
- The country has recorded 252 infections.
- Oman has 210 cases.
- Oman reports its first COVID-19 related death.
- There are 192 cases in Oman.
- The number of cases in Oman increases to 131.
- Oman recorded 66 cases in total.
- Oman has banned public gatherings and has also shut currency exchange bureaus. The country has reported 55 cases.

## **Pakistan**

- The number of diagnosed coronavirus cases as of April 19 was 7,993, with 159 deaths.
- The country now has 7,638 cases and 143 deaths.
- A total of 7,025 infections in the country and 135 deaths.
- The IMF on April 17 approved nearly US\$1.4bn in emergency aid to Pakistan.
- 6,919 infections in Pakistan with 128 deaths.
- The number of cases has increased to 5,988 with 107 deaths.
- 5,837 infections in the country and 96 deaths.
- The Prime Minister has extended the partial lockdown until the end of April.
- Pakistan has recorded 5,496 infections and 93 deaths.
- The total number of cases has reached 5,183 with 88 deaths.
- The number of cases has increased to 4,970.
- The death toll in Pakistan has increased to 71 with the total number of confirmed cases surging to 4,788.
- Pakistan now has 4,495 cases and 66 deaths.
- The country launched the largest social protection effort in its history with plans to pay close to US\$1 billion dollars to the country's poorest.
- Pakistan will distribute cash grants worth Rs12,000 (US\$70) to low-income families on Thursday.
- Pakistan has reported a total of 4,072 cases with 58 deaths.
- The country has now recorded 4,004 cases and 54 deaths.
- According to the Ministry of Health, there have been 3,277 cases of COVID-19 and 50 deaths.

## **Palestine**

- There are now 439 cases of the virus in Palestine.
- 431 cases in the country.
- 418 cases recorded in Palestine.
- 374 cases in Palestine.
- Palestine has 308 cases.
- 269 cases recorded in Palestine.
- 268 cases recorded in the country.
- Palestine has recorded 266 cases and two deaths.

- Palestine now has 252 cases.
- 210 cases now recorded in the country.
- 171 cases in the country.
- There are 134 cases in the country.
- The country has recorded 117 cases and one death from COVID-19.
- The country reports its first death from the virus amid 91 cases.
- The number of cases in the Palestinian territories reached 52.
- Jerusalem's Al-Aqsa mosque and Dome of the Rock have closed their doors as a precaution against the coronavirus.

## **Qatar**

- Qatar now has 5,448 cases.
- 5,008 cases recorded in Qatar and eight deaths.
- 560 new cases in the country, bringing the national total to 4663.
- 4,103 cases reported in Qatar.
- The number of cases in the country has now reached 3,711.
- Infections have reached 3,428.
- 3,231 infections now recorded in Qatar.
- 2,979 cases in the country with seven deaths.
- 2,728 cases recorded in the country.
- Qatar has now recorded 2,512 cases as of April 10 with six deaths.
- Qatar reported 225 new coronavirus cases, taking its total number of infections to 2,057. The death toll rose by two to six.
- Qatar has 1,604 cases of COVID-19
- Qatar announced 250 new infections, with 1,213 active cases in total.
- The number of cases has jumped to 1,075.
- The country has 949 cases.
- Qatar reported 54 new cases, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 835.
- The health ministry reported 88 new cases of the virus, taking the total number of infections to 781.

## **Russia**

- The number of Russian confirmed coronavirus cases reached 47,121 on April 20 with a death toll of 405.

- Russia reported 6,060 new cases, bringing its nationwide tally to 42,853. The official death toll stands at 361.
- The death toll has increased to 313 with 4,785 new cases. This brings the total number of infections to 36,793.
- Russia announced a new record number of coronavirus cases with 4,069 as well as deaths 41. The total number of infections is now at 32,007 and the death toll at 273.
- Russia reported 3,448 new confirmed cases of the novel coronavirus on April 16, bringing the number of cases in the country 27,938. The death toll increased to 232.
- Russia reported 3,388 new cases of the coronavirus on Wednesday, another record daily rise which brings the national total to 24,490. 198 people have died.
- A total of 2,774 more people tested positive for COVID-19, bringing the national total to 21,102. The number of deaths has risen to 170.
- Russia on April 13 reported 2,558 new cases, bringing its overall nationwide tally to 18,328. 148 have so far died.
- The number of confirmed cases in Russia jumped by 2,186 within 24 hours, bringing the total to 15,770. The death toll rose to 130.
- Russia has reported 1,667 new cases, bringing the national tally to 13,584. The number of deaths rose by 12 to 106.
- Russia reported a record one-day rise in cases of novel coronavirus with 1,459, bringing the total number of infections to more than 10,000. The death toll has reached 76.
- Our new Russia-specific updates [here](#).

## **Saudi Arabia**

- The number of infections now stands at 9,362 with 97 deaths.
- There are now 8,274 cases and 92 deaths.
- The country has recorded 7,142 cases as of April 17 and 87 deaths.
- Saudi Arabia now has 6,380 cases and 83 deaths.
- The country now has 5,862 cases and 79 deaths.
- 5,369 cases in the country and 73 deaths.
- The Kingdom now has 4,934 cases and 65 deaths.
- 4,462 cases recorded in the country amid 59 deaths.

- King Salman bin Abdulaziz al-Saud has ordered the extension of Saudi Arabia's coronavirus curfew until "further notice".
- 4,033 cases recorded in the Kingdom amid 52 deaths.
- The total number of cases in the country has reached 3,651 and 47 deaths.
- 2,523 cases now recorded in the Kingdom with the death toll at 38.
- The number of cases in the country increases to 2,179 with the number of deaths at 29.
- Saudi authorities have announced a lockdown and a partial curfew in seven neighbourhoods in the city of Jeddah, starting on Saturday. Residents in those neighbourhoods could only go out for grocery shopping and medical care, between 6 am and 3 pm.
- Saudi Arabia's King has ordered the 9 billion riyals (US\$2.39 billion) in financial support to more than 1.2 million citizens who work in private sector companies affected by the economic fallout of the outbreak

## **South Korea**

- On April 20, the country announced 13 new infections, bringing the nation's total infections to 10,674.
- South Korea recorded its lowest increase in infections on April 19 with eight cases. The nation's total tally is 10,661 cases and 234 deaths.
- The national total has reached 10,653 cases with 232 virus-related deaths.
- South Korea reports 22 cases, bringing the recorded total of 10,635 and 230 deaths.
- The country reports 22 new cases, bringing the total to 10,613.
- South Korea's ruling Democratic Party (DP) is set for a landslide victory in parliamentary elections.
- 10,591 cases in the country and 225 deaths.
- The country has reported 27 new cases, the 13th successive day where new cases numbered below 100. There are 10,564 cases in the country.
- 10,537 cases in the country.
- The country plans to send 600,000 testing kits to the US.
- Only 25 new infections reported in South Korea on April 13. 16 of the 25 were imported cases.
- Kia Motors Corp has said that it will suspend operations at three of its domestic factories as the outbreak weighs on exports to Europe and the US.

- 10,512 cases in South Korea.
- South Korea will test all travelers entering from the US for COVID-19.
- 10,480 cases recorded in the country amid 211 deaths.
- The government has announced that it will strap electronic wristbands on people who defy self-quarantine orders as it tightens monitoring.
- The country has recorded 10,450 cases as of April 10 with 208 deaths.
- The President Moon Jae-in will make an additional 36 trillion won (US\$29.5 billion) worth of cheap loans available for exporters hit by the coronavirus.
- The Korea Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is reporting 47 new cases, the lowest since February. The figure brings South Korea's total infections to 10,284. The death toll reached 136.
- South Korea has is reporting its first COVID-19 death of a medical worker. The country reported 94 new cases, taking the national tally to 10,156. The death toll rose by three to 177.
- The country becomes the second Asian country to reach over 10,000 cases of COVID-19. 86 new infections were reported, bringing the nationwide total to 10,062.
- South Korea has reported 89 new coronavirus cases, bringing the country's total to 9,976.
- South Korea has reported 101 new cases, bringing the total number of cases is 9,887.
- There are now 9,786 confirmed coronavirus cases in the country and a death toll of 162.
- All travelers entering South Korea will be subjected to two weeks of mandatory quarantine starting midnight on Wednesday, April 1.

## **Sri Lanka**

- The number of infections now stands at 271.
- The country has now recorded 269 infections and seven deaths.
- 248 cases in the country.
- 238 cases in Sri Lanka.
- 235 infections in the country.
- 219 cases in Sri Lanka.
- 217 cases in the country.

- The country has extended restrictions under which people must work from home by one week, to April 20.
- 203 cases now reported in Sri Lanka.
- 198 cases recorded in the country.
- The number of cases has reached 190 with seven deaths.
- There are now 185 cases in Sri Lanka with six deaths.
- 178 cases now reported in the country.
- The President has released 2,961 inmates in the past two weeks as part of an effort to reduce congestion in prisons during the pandemic.
- 162 cases in the country with five deaths.
- The country has recorded 151 cases.
- Sri Lanka has recorded 146 cases.
- Sri Lanka has confirmed its third COVID-19 related death amid 143 infections.
- There are 122 cases in the country amid two deaths.
- Sri Lanka records its first COVID-19 death. there are 110 infections so far.
- 106 cases confirmed in Sri Lanka.

## **Taiwan**

- Taiwan has 420 infections.
- Taiwan has quarantined 700 navy officers, servicemen and cadets for testing after 24 members tested positive for COVID-19.
- 398 cases reported in Taiwan.
- The country has a total of 395 cases.
- Taiwan reported no new cases of the coronavirus for the first time in more than a month.
- 393 cases in the country.
- 388 cases now in the country.
- 385 cases in the country.
- There are now 382 cases in the country with six deaths.
- Taiwan has 373 cases.
- 355 cases recorded in the country.
- Taiwan has 348 infections.
- There are now 329 infections.
- Taiwan will issue an economic stimulus response to the outbreak estimated to reach T\$1 trillion (US\$33.09 billion).

- 306 confirmed cases in Taiwan with five deaths.
- 267 now confirmed to be infected in Taiwan.
- The government announced 19 new cases of COVID-19, all imported, bringing the nationwide total to 235.
- The number of cases has jumped to 215 from March 24.
- Infections in Taiwan have reached 195.

## **Turkey**

- The number of infections has risen to 86,306 with the death toll at 2,107.
- Turkey has 82,329 cases and 1,890 deaths.
- 78546 cases in Turkey.
- Turkey has 74,193 infections and 1,643 deaths.
- There are now 69,392 cases and 1,518 deaths in Turkey.
- 61,049 infections and 1,296 deaths in the country.
- 52,167 cases confirmed.
- Turkey's confirmed cases of coronavirus increased by 4,747, bringing the total to 47,029. The death toll also rose to 1,101.
- Turkey will impose a two-day lockdown in 31 provinces, including Istanbul and Ankara.
- The total number of cases in Turkey has reached 42,282.
- Turkey's confirmed cases of coronavirus increased by 4,117 and 87 people have died, taking the death toll to 812.

## **United Arab Emirates**

- Dubai's Arabian Travel Market, one of the Middle East's biggest travel and tourism fairs, has been cancelled.
- The number of infections has increased to 6,781 with the death toll at 41.
- 6,302 cases in the UAE.
- A total of 5,825 cases in the country and 35 deaths.
- 5,365 cases in the UAE and 33 deaths.
- 4,933 infections and 28 deaths.
- Infections have reached 4,521 amid 25 deaths.
- 4,123 cases in the UAE.
- 3,736 cases in the UAE amid 20 deaths.
- The country has 2,990 cases as of April 10, with 14 deaths.

- The country has 2,076 cases with 11 deaths.
- The UAE has reported 1,799 coronavirus cases and 10 deaths.
- The Central Bank said it has doubled a stimulus package to support the Gulf state's economy to US\$70 billion.
- Dubai announced a two-week lockdown starting on Saturday to combat the spread of the coronavirus. Individuals will not be allowed to leave the house, except for essential purposes. Only one family member is permitted to leave the house for essential goods.
- The UAE reports an increase in infections by 241, bringing the total to 1,505. The number of deaths increased to 10.

## **Uzbekistan**

- 1,565 cases in the country.
- Uzbekistan now has 1,543 cases and five deaths.
- 1,450 cases in the country
- A total of 1,380 cases in the country.
- 1,302 cases in the country.
- 1,275 infections in the country.
- Infections have reached 1,113 and four deaths.
- 934 cases in the country.
- 833 cases in the country.
- 729 cases now recorded in the country
- Uzbekistan has 624 cases as of April 10.
- The country has 390 cases.
- An increase of 36 infections in the country, bringing the total to 263.
- The country has 221 cases.
- Uzbekistan has 181 cases with two deaths.
- 149 cases have been recorded.
- There are 144 confirmed cases of coronavirus in the central Asian country.
- The number of cases jumped to 83, with the country recording its first COVID-19 related death.
- Uzbekistan has locked down two more cities, Namangan and Andijan, to prevent the spread of the virus. The country has reported 65 cases.
- The country will lockdown its capital, Tashkent from March 24. The country has registered 46 cases so far.

- Uzbekistan sends 40 tons of protective equipment to China. This includes protective suits, masks, and gloves.

## **Yemen**

- Yemen has recorded its first case.

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