



## 1 JUNE 2020

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Total Recovered: 2837

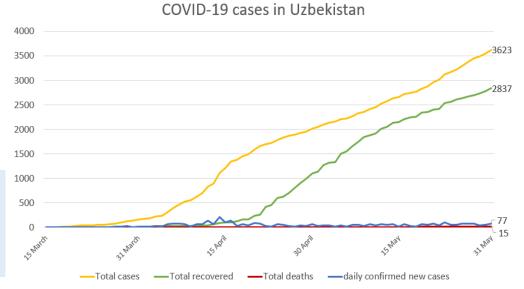
Daily new cases: 77

Total Deaths: 15

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statistics.

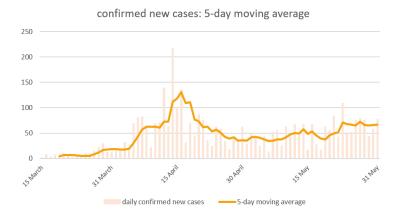
National Hotline: 1003



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Lockdown measures extended until 15 June
- Visas issued to foreign citizens automatically extended until 1 September

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

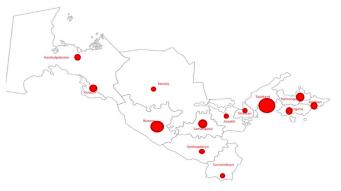


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## Cases by regions as of 31 May:

Tashkent: 1636	Navoiy: 157
Bukhara: 454	Karakalpakstan: 135
Samarkand: 362	Surkhandarya: 44
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- Of the 77 new cases confirmed on 31 May, 72 were identified in quarantine facilities or in home quarantine, one is an international truck driver, and four were detected among the population: one in Tashkent city and three in Bukhara (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz).
- Of the 58 new cases confirmed on 30 May, 33 were identified in quarantine facilities, four are international truck drivers, and 21 cases were detected among the population: 11 in Tashkent city, four in Samarkand and two in Namangan (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz).
- Of the 44 new cases confirmed on 29 May, 32 were identified in quarantine facilities, four are international truck drivers, and eight were detected among the population: four in Tashkent and four in Samarkand (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz).
- Lockdown measures extended until 15 June. In all regions, independently of their colour code, some restrictions and rules continue to apply, including maintaining physical distance, wearing masks and work from home for a number of institutions (gazeta.uz).
- Visas issued to foreign citizens and stateless persons in Uzbekistan extended until 1 September. This automatic extension was decided by the Special Republican Commission on COVID-19 (gazeta.uz).
- Control on movement of personal cars between regions tightened. Interregional trips in personal cars are still prohibited. An exception is made for the entry and exit from Tashkent city to the Tashkent region and vice versa (gazeta.uz).
- Kitab district (Kashkadarya) completely closed for quarantine, after a person with COVID-19 was in contact with a high number of citizens (podrobno.uz).
- Samarkand city and a number of other districts and cities in the region have been red zoned as of 1 June (podrobno.uz).

#### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

## **Health Capacity-Building**

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### **Health Procurement & Supply Chain**

WHO Regional Office for Europe has procured and delivered to the Agency of Sanitary and Epidemiological Wellbeing of Uzbekistan 14,400 test kits (SarbecoV Egene EAV control kit) and 2880 WH-Human\_1 genomic RNA tests. Some further equipment was also procured for laboratories, including one RNase Decontaminant, one piece of nuclease free water, as well as Diamond Tips (8 packs with 960 tips each).

#### **Health Other**

 WHO had started preparing the Joint External Evaluation (JEE) of International Health Regulation (IHR 2005) implementation in Uzbekistan, which is especially important in the context of COVID-19. A briefing on JEE was conducted for responsible representatives of the MOH, emphasizing the key project pillars and next steps of the preparation.

#### **ADDITIONAL RESPONSE PRIORITIES**

## **Protection and Key Populations**

 UNICEF has shared a technical note on COVID-19 for children deprived of liberty with key justice partners including the Ministry of Interior, the Prosecutor General's Office and the Ombudsperson's Office. Referring to this technical note, the General Prosecutor's Office has submitted an official request to the Special Republican Commission on COVID-19 for granting early conditional release to children deprived of liberty.





## **Risk Communication and Community Engagement**

- UNDP, in cooperation with the Ministry of Mahalla and Family Support and the European Union, has conducted a drawing contest among children to promote digital public services in rural areas. Over 400 submissions were received from all regions, including 80 submissions from the flood-affected areas.
- UNDP has transformed the World Water Day website into a COVID-19 information source. Twice a week, the website sends over 4,000 subscribers updates, which are in line with WHO and MOH messages.
- UNICEF has disseminated advice to parents on supporting the psychosocial wellbeing of teenagers during quarantine through social media channels.
- UNICEF has started disseminating, through social media channels, a series of advice to parents of children with disabilities on supporting them during quarantine.
- UNICEF, in partnership with national partners, has conducted two U-Report polls among young people on COVID-19 and related issues, including the school distance learning programme and young children at home in quarantine. The results will be used by the Ministry of Public Education, Ministry of Preschool Education and UNICEF to identify existing gaps and to improve the plans regarding risk preparedness of education establishments.
- UNICEF has conducted two online training sessions on mental health for U-Report volunteers. About 80 young people in eight regions of the country have taken part.
- Other
- UNICEF has held extensive consultations with the Ministry of Public Education, the Ministry of Preschool Education, the Ministry of Health, and WHO on the development of the safe school guidelines and plans for school and pre-school reopening, to be completed by August 2020. The plans consist of the following:
  - (a) policies and guidelines to support health and hygiene norms and practices, blended learning, equity, well-being and protection;
  - (b) capacity-building and trainings on health and hygiene practices, disaster risk reduction and

safe behaviour;

- (c) advocacy and outreach plans targeting school managers, teachers, parents and children;
- (d) the provision of supplies and advocacyenhancing materials.
- UNICEF has designed two rapid surveys, which are expected to be completed by mid-June 2020, on the outreach and effectiveness of distance learning programmes and early childhood care and educationrelated practices during COVID-19.









3 JUNE 2020

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Total Recovered: 2908

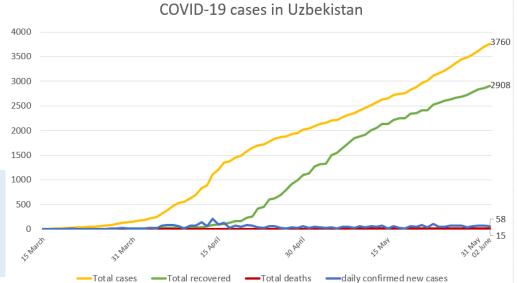
Daily new cases: 58

Total Deaths: 15

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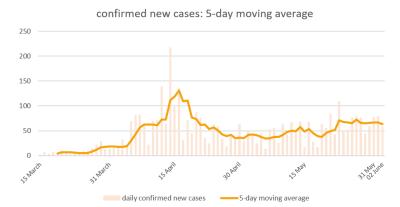
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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

• Charter flights to be organized from Turkey, Russia, Egypt and the UAE

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**



This chart shows the daily increase in confirmed new cases, as well as a 5-day moving average which helps smooth out the 'noise' from short-term fluctuations by averaging the data from the last five days reported.

## Cases by regions as of 2 June:

Tashkent: 1756 (+43)	Navoiy: 164 (+7)
Bukhara: 461 (+7)	Karakalpakstan: 135
Samarkand: 363	Surkhandarya: 44
Namangan: 260 (+1)	Kashkadarya: 6
Khorezm: 233	Jizzakh: 3
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- Of the 58 new cases confirmed on 2 June, 40 were identified in quarantine facilities, ten are international truck drivers, and eight were detected among the population in Tashkent and Bukhara (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 79 new cases confirmed on 1 June, 58 were identified in quarantine facilities in different regions, four are international truck drivers, and 15 were detected among the population: 14 in Tashkent (city and region) and one in Syrdarya (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz). The whereabouts of the remaining two cases are unclear.
- According to Chief State Sanitary Inspector Nurmat Otabekov, 80 percent of COVID-19 cases in Uzbekistan are mild. 15 percent of the cases take a moderately severe form, while two to three percent are severe, meaning respiratory failure (podrobno.uz).
- Nine further charter flights for the repatriation of Uzbek citizens are to be organized from Turkey, Russia, the UAE and Egypt (gazeta.uz).
- More humanitarian aid from South Korea sent to Uzbekistan. The cargo includes syringe pumps, antiseptics, and medical beds. An additional cargo worth about USD 66,000 is planned (gazeta.uz).
- The remainder of a second consignment of humanitarian aid from China has been dispatched. The cargo includes medical overalls, H95 masks and gloves. It is to be delivered by rail on 16 June (podrobno.uz).

### **Health Capacity-Building**

- WHO has organized a series of webinars and technical workshops for national specialists on different subjects related to lab testing, including a training on the 'Principles of COVID-19 Sampling and Testing'.
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.

## **Protection and Key Populations**

- This week, the UN Secretary-General is looking at the impact of COVID-19 on women, men and children who were already in vulnerable situations before the crisis.
- In his new policy brief, titled "COVID-19 and People on the Move", the Secretary-General presents some of the challenges faced by migrants, internally displaced persons and refugees, as well as possible solutions to alleviate the problems they face.
- In his launch statement, the Secretary-General stated: "The COVID-19 crisis is an opportunity to reimagine human mobility. Four core understandings must quide the way:
  - ⇒ First, exclusion is costly and inclusion pays. An inclusive public health and socio-economic response will help suppress the virus, restart our economies and advance the Sustainable Development Goals.
  - ⇒ Second, we must uphold human dignity in the face of the pandemic and learn from the handful of countries that have shown how to implement travel restrictions and border controls while fully respecting human rights and international refugee protection principles.
  - ⇒ Third, no-one is safe until everyone is safe. Diagnostics, treatment and vaccines must be accessible to all.
  - ⇒ Fourth and finally, people on the move are part of the solution. Let us remove unwarranted barriers, explore models to regularize pathways for migrants and reduce transaction costs for remittances."
- The policy brief and video message are available here: <a href="https://www.un.org/en/coronavirus">https://www.un.org/en/coronavirus</a>

# **Risk Communication and Community Engagement**

• On 3 June, WHO Regional Office organized a press briefing for Russian-speaking mass media representatives in the Russian Federation and in Central Asian countries. Dr. Hans Kluge, the WHO Regional Director for Europe, and several WHO emergency experts presented an update on COVID-19 and replied to the journalists' questions. From now on, the weekly press briefing will give journalists the chance to obtain updates on COVID-19 from the leading experts and the Regional Director. Uzbek media representatives also took part in the briefing.









## 6 JUNE 2020

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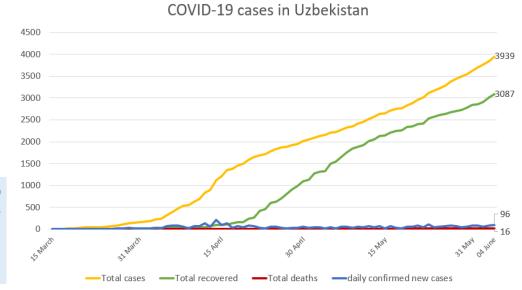
Total Recovered: 3087

Daily new cases: 96

Total Deaths: 16

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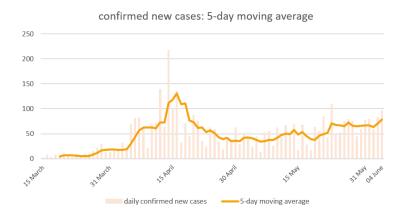
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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

 Restaurants, kindergartens, clothing markets and other enterprises to resume activities in yellow and green zones as of 15 June

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

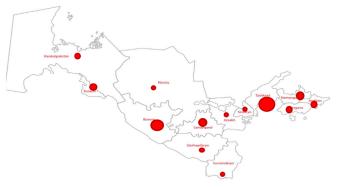


This chart shows the daily increase in confirmed new cases, as well as a 5-day moving average which helps smooth out the 'noise' from short-term fluctuations by averaging the data from the last five days reported.

## Cases by regions as of 4 June:

Tashkent: 1882 (+60)	Fergana: 158
Bukhara: 461	Karakalpakstan: 136 (+1)
Samarkand: 364	Surkhandarya: 44
Namangan: 260	Kashkadarya: 6
Khorezm: 233	Jizzakh: 3
Navoiy: 214 (+35)	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 178	been transported to Tashkent

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- Of the 96 new cases confirmed on 4 June, 81 were identified in quarantine facilities, two are international truck drivers, and 13 were detected among the population of the Navoiy and Tashkent regions (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 83 new cases confirmed on 3 June, 74 were identified in quarantine facilities in different regions, eight are international truck drivers, and one was detected among the population of Tashkent region (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz).
- A number of commercial activities to resume in yellow and green zones from 15 June. This includes kindergartens (in groups of no more than 15), public catering and restaurants, and clothing markets. In addition, as of 5 June, the activities of hotels in yellow and green zones, as well as gyms, swimming pools and religious organizations in green zones are permitted to resume (gazeta.uz, podrobno.uz).
- Special Republican Commission clarifies the lockdown measures which remain in place regardless of colour zones. These include the maintenance of a physical distance of two meters, the prohibition of gatherings of more than three people, mandatory use of masks and antiseptics in public spaces, as well as the suspension of educational activities (schools, colleges, universities etc.), and entertainment facilities such as night clubs, spas, billiard and karaoke rooms (podrobno.uz).
- Canada to allocate CAD 250,000 (approx. USD 185,000) to Uzbekistan for combatting COVID-19. The assistance was discussed during a telephone conversation on 4 June between the two respective Foreign Ministers (gazeta.uz).

### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

#### **Health Capacity-Building**

 On 4 June 2020, WHO Regional Office, jointly with the World Organization of Family Doctors organized a webinar on 'Family Physicians and the COVID-19 pandemic: The way forward'. During the presentation the role of primary health care and family physicians during COVID-19 and essential health services were

- discussed. GP-trainers from the Tashkent and Samarkand Medical Institutes participated in the webinar.
- **WHO**, in the framework of the COVID-19 Capacity-Building task force, has assisted Uzbek medical institutions in the organization of several seminars:
  - On 5 June, the Tashkent Medical Pediatrics Institute (Infectious Diseases Department) conducted a seminar on 'COVID-19 and children';
  - On 4 June, the Center for the strengthening of capacity of medical workers organized two seminars on the 'features of COVID-19 in cardiovascular disease' and on the 'features of COVID-19 in metabolic syndrome'.
- MHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.

## **Health Procurement & Supply Chain**

- WHO Regional Office has procured and delivered, to the Virology Laboratory of the Agency for Sanitary and Epidemiological Wellbeing, polymerase for RNA extraction (1000 reactions).
- UNFPA has procured 75,000 masks, 2900 sanitizers, 50,000 pairs of sterile gloves, and 50,000 pairs of nonsterile gloves, to be delivered to 21 maternity houses in the Andijan region by next week.
- **UNFPA** has procured **80,000 masks for maternities** in Tashkent city.

## **ADDITIONAL RESPONSE PRIORITIES**

### **Protection and Key Populations**

 The <u>telegram channel</u> 'psychological counseling', launched by several national partners and supported by





UNFPA, has received about **500 requests for support** between **7 April and 29 May, an average of 17 appeals a day**. Based on an analysis, most of the appeals are rooted in hidden domestic violence, and relating to the relationship between daughters-in-law and mothers-in-law.

 UNFPA has dispatched three computers to the 'Oydin Nur' shelter in Samarkand to ensure smooth and uninterrupted support by lawyers and psychologists to women and families in difficult situations, as well as GBV survivors.

## **Risk Communication and Community Engagement**

- WHO has developed posters on IPC and PPE recommendations for healthcare facilities. 120,000 copies, in Uzbek and Russian, will be delivered to the MOH, the Agency for Sanitary and Epidemiological Wellbeing, and the Tashkent Institute for Postgraduate Medical Education for further distribution to healthcare facilities (public and private) throughout the country.
- UNFPA, in collaboration with the Ministry of Public Education, has announced a video contest called '10 rules for effective summer holidays', targeted at strengthening the skills of adolescent girls, including on the use of ICT, in order to ensure a quality summer during the lockdown.









## 8 JUNE 2020

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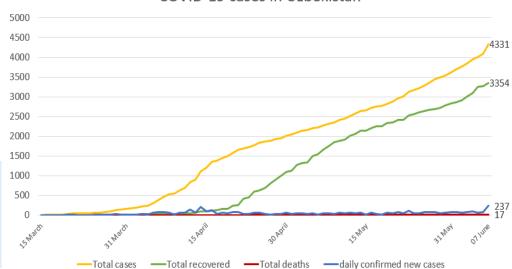
Total Recovered: 3354

Daily new cases: 237

Total Deaths: 17

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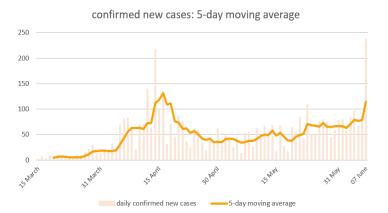
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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

 Record high of daily new cases recorded on Sunday, 7 June, majority of which amongst population of Tashkent city

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

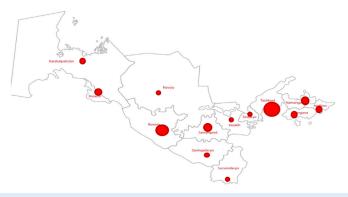


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## Cases by regions as of 7 June:

Tashkent: 2219 (+229)	Fergana: 158
Bukhara: 466	Karakalpakstan: 136
Samarkand: 378	Surkhandarya: 44
Namangan: 267	Kashkadarya: 11
Khorezm: 244 (+8)	Jizzakh: 3
Navoiy: 224	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 181	been transported to Tashkent

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- Of the 237 new cases confirmed on 7 June, 20 were identified in quarantine facilities, and 217 were detected among the population: 195 in Tashkent city, ten in Tashkent region and four in Syrdarya (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz).
- Of the 87 new cases confirmed on 6 June, 62 were identified in quarantine facilities, five are international truck drivers, and 20 were detected among the population of Tashkent, Samarkand, Kashkadarya and Navoiy (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz).
- Of the 68 new cases identified on 5 June, 42 were identified in quarantine facilities, nine are international truck drivers, and 17 were detected among the population: 11 in Tashkent (region and city), four in Kashkadarya, one in Bukhara and one in Namangan (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Highest ever daily increase in confirmed new cases recorded on 7 June. A previous but lower peak had been recorded on 14 April (gazeta.uz).
- Uzbekistan Airways to conduct another 20 charter flights between 8 and 21 June for the repatriation of Uzbeks abroad (gazeta.uz).
- In green and yellow zones, public transport to resume
  as of 8 June, with the exception of metro and minibus
  services. Passengers will be required to wear masks on
  public transport and vehicles will have to be disinfected
  before every trip (podrobno.uz).
- Proposal for resumption of international flights underway. The Agency for Sanitary and Epidemiological Welfare has announced that it is preparing a proposal, in cooperation with the Ministry of Transport, for the gradual resumption of international flights. The proposal will take into account the epidemiological situation in foreign countries, by dividing them, too, into green, yellow and red categories. The final decision will be announced by the Republican Special Commission (kun.uz).
- COVID-19 detected among the population of the following areas of Tashkent: Shaykhantahur,

**Yunusabad, Yashnabad and Mirabad** (kun.uz quoting the Head of the State Inspection of Sanitary-Epidemiological Surveillance).

#### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

#### **Health Capacity-Building**

- On 5 June, WHO Regional Office for Europe has conducted the second Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) related webinar for Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan on 'Diabetes services during the COVID-19 response'. Three speakers from the WHO Regional Office's NCD programme, the Portuguese Diabetes Association and the International Diabetes Federation provided presentations and responded to questions. The webinar discussed the re-organization of services needed in order to ensure people-centered care to those suffering from diabetes during COVID-19 and the lessons learned for future similar situations. 250 participants from Uzbek medical institutes and specialized health facilities attended the webinar.
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.









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# COVID-19 cases in Uzbekistan

Total Cases: 4520

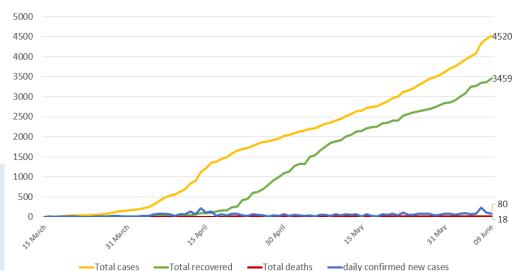
Total Recovered: 3459

Daily new cases: 80

Total Deaths: 18

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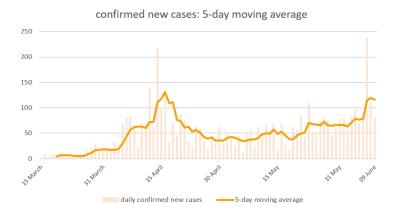
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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

- World Bank lowers GDP growth projection to 1.5% for 2020
- Unemployment increases to nearly 2 million

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

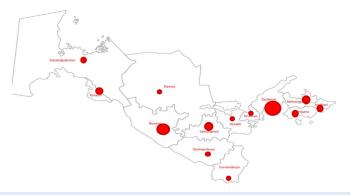


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Khorezm: 244	Jizzakh: 3
Navoiy: 242 (+13)	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 181	been transported to Tashkent

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- Of the 80 new cases confirmed on 9 June, 42 were identified in quarantine facilities, 13 are international truck drivers, and 25 were detected among the population: 13 in the Navoiy region, 11 in Tashkent city, and one in the Tashkent region (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and podrobno.uz).
- Of the 109 new cases confirmed on 8 June, 39 were identified in quarantine facilities, four are international truck drivers, and 66 were detected among the population: 54 in Tashkent city, five in Navoiy, four in the Tashkent region and three in Namangan (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- World Bank lowers forecast for GDP growth in Uzbekistan to 1.5% in 2020 from previously 1.6%. The country remains the only one in Central Asia with projected economic growth. For 2021, the World Bank has projected a GDP growth of 6.6% (gazeta.uz).
- A total of over 61,000 Uzbek citizens have been repatriated from abroad, including 16,000 on 108 charter flights between 16 March and 7 June. An additional 40,000 citizens were assisted to return overland from Kazakhstan (podrobno.uz).
- Unemployment in Uzbekistan reaches nearly 2 million. In the first quarter of the year, the unemployment level had stood at 1.35 million (gazeta.uz).

### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

## **Health Capacity-Building**

- WHO Country Office has held a training session for Ministry of Health (MOH) on the estimated number of supplies needed for the COVID-19 response, based on the WHO-developed Essential Supplies Forecasting Tool. A number of scenarios for COVID-19 in the country were presented and discussed with the MOH. A further session on how to use the Supply Tool in practice will be organized for the MOH at a later stage.
- WHO continues organizing webinars and technical workshops for national specialists on a set of subjects related to lab testing for COVID-19.

• WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.









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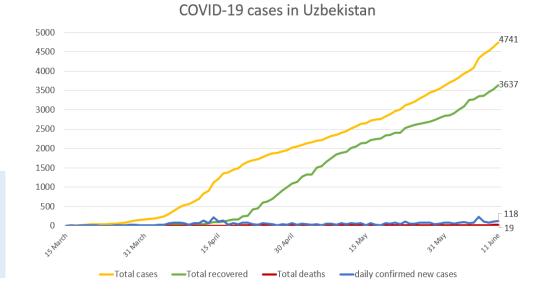
Total Recovered: 3637

Daily new cases: 118

Total Deaths: 19

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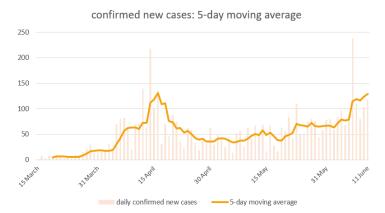
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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

• Tashkent city: map of Makhallas and their colour code published

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

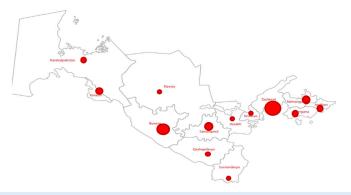


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Samarkand: 383	Surkhandarya: 44
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## Regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan with reported COVID-19 cases



- Of the 118 new cases confirmed on 11 June, 70 were identified in quarantine facilities, nine are international truck drivers, and 39 were detected among the population: 18 in Navoiy region, 17 in Tashkent city, three in Namangan region and one in Tashkent region (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 103 new cases confirmed on 10 June, 64 were identified in quarantine facilities, 12 are international truck drivers, and 27 were detected among the population (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- 42 Tashkent Makhallas are categorized in the red zone.
   The Sanitary and Epidemiological Aid Agency has published new data on quarantine levels, which specifies the colour zones of the 513 Makhallas in Tashkent (gazeta.uz). The full list, as well as an interactive map indicating the different Makhallas, can be accessed here: <a href="https://www.gazeta.uz/ru/2020/06/10/levels/">https://www.gazeta.uz/ru/2020/06/10/levels/</a>.
- Quarantine center for 1200 people built in Namangan region. The center consists of 'container' boxes for four people each, which are equipped with a shower, air conditioning and a TV (gazeta.uz).
- EU financial assistance for Uzbekistan in 2021-2027 to be aimed at mitigating COVID-19 consequences and reducing poverty, according to the Ministry of Investment and Foreign Trade (gazeta.uz).

#### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

## **Health Capacity-Building**

 On 11 June, the WHO Regional Office conducted a follow-up webinar on 'Cancer and palliative care services during the COVID-19 response' for Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. Uzbek specialists in oncology attended the webinar which included presentations from the senior Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) coordinator of the Regional Office, Professors of medical oncology from Italy and Georgia and members of the European Society of Medical Oncology and COVID

- -19. The experts described the reorganization of services needed to **ensure people-centred cancer care and palliative care during COVID-19** and the lessons learned to prepare similar situations in the future.
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.

### **Health Procurement & Supply Chain**

- On 10 June, a transfer ceremony took place with participation of the Ministry of Health Department on Mother & Child healthcare. Within the joint UNAIDS-UNFPA Agreement, PPE and other sanitary items have been procured for 21 maternity hospitals in the Andijan region. The items will be delivered and distributed in the coming days.
- To ensure that the national immunization programme continues, UNICEF, with financial support from the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunizations, has procured and delivered PPE to all 14 regional centres of the Agency for Sanitary and Epidemiologic Wellbeing of Uzbekistan. More than 25,000 boxes of medical gloves, 820,000 disposable masks, 8000 gowns and caps, 4000 liters of hand sanitizer, and 130 kilograms of disinfectant powder have been distributed. As a result, more than 4000 employees, including 3000 vaccinators working at the primary level, are equipped with PPE to provide safe immunization services during COVID-19.

#### ADDITIONAL RESPONSE PRIORITIES

#### **Protection and Key Populations**

 UNAIDS has provided a grant to the 'Nurbonu' NGO in the Samarkand region in order to support 150 lowincome families with HIV-positive children. During COVID-19 and the lockdown, many families have been





left without an income or the ability to procure food. Within the project, 150 families with children living with HIV will receive food packages, necessary psychosocial support and consultations on COVID-19 prevention.

- A survey titled 'How did quarantine affect family relationships in Uzbekistan?' has been published on 4 June on the 'No to violence' Telegram channel (launched by UNFPA and the Gender Commission of the Senate of Uzbekistan). The survey revealed that 71% of the 4,000 respondents found that the lockdown favourably influenced their family relations. 61% of the respondents highlighted the increased involvement of men in child care. Nevertheless, 27% of the respondents reported cases of domestic violence. The survey also revealed an increased number of conflicts between mothers-in-law and daughters-in-law, as well as between husbands and wives.
- In close cooperation with the Prosecutor General's Office and the Ministry of Public Education, UNICEF has produced a video cartoon to raise awareness of caregivers and parents on physical abuse. The video provides a clear message that all children can be vulnerable to violence, abuse, and neglect and that such violations can take place in a home environment under the care of parents and other family members. The video also provides tips to parents and service providers to consider in planning interventions. The video is being disseminated among 12,600 statutory bodies and 16,000 school psychologists dealing with children at all levels.
- Using the recent UNICEF developed Guidelines for the Provision of Remote Psychosocial Support to Caregivers during COVID-19, trained psychologists have provided psychosocial counselling to 229 children and conducted 103 group therapy sessions for 924 children of educational residential care institutions. In parallel, around 50 caregivers of these institutions have been informed about the impact of COVID-19 on children's wellbeing and were oriented to use the tips from the recently published brochures on positive parenting and stress management.

## Risk communication and community engagement

- WHO Country Office and the RCO UN Information Centre held an online meeting with 30 students of four medical universities of Uzbekistan on how young people can contribute to the global COVID-19 response. The meeting was held as part of the global #UN75 dialogues dedicated to the 75th anniversary of the United Nations. The students confirmed their commitment to follow WHO COVID-19 guidelines, including regular handwashing, keeping physical distance, avoiding crowded places, volunteering in communities, raising awareness and verifying news before sharing them.
- The joint communication campaign by UNFPA and the Senate Gender Equality Commission, calling for video submissions on spending quality time with family, has been completed. On 8 June, the selection committee selected the six best videos out of a total of 117 submissions from all over the country. An award ceremony will be conducted on the eve of National Youth Day (30 June).
- The UNICEF Representative Sascha Graumann has given several interviews:
  - On TV channel 'Uzbekistan 24' to comment on the Presidential Resolution 'On additional measures for improving the system of child protection' and on International Children's Day to cover social protection/child benefits issues. It was broadcasted in <u>Uzbek</u> and <u>English</u> and posted on social media.
  - To the national newspaper 'Yangi Ozbekiston' under the Cabinet of Ministers on cooperation between UNICEF and the Government of Uzbekistan, published with a circulation of 42,644 as well available online.









## 15 JUNE 2020

(DATA AS AT 11PM, PREVIOUS DAY)

This Sitrep outlines current information on the COVID-19 outbreak in Uzbekistan, and summarizes international partners' support to the national response effort.

Total Cases: 5080

Total Recovered: 3943

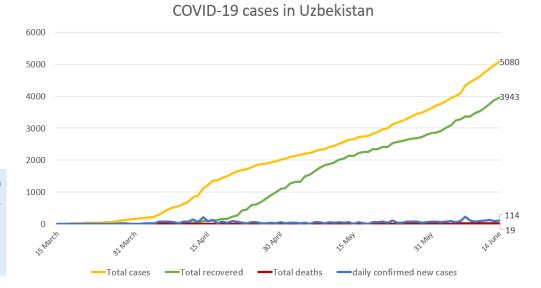
Daily new cases: 114

Total Deaths: 19

Global Info: Text "Hi" to +41 79 893 18 92 (WhatsApp) for the latest WHO global updates and

statistics.

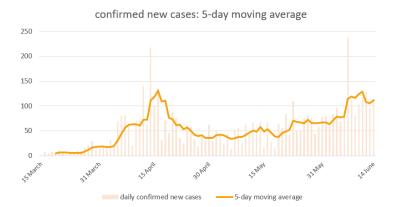
National Hotline: 1003



## **HIGHLIGHTS**

## Lockdown measures prolonged until 1 August

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

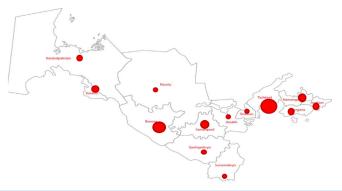


This chart shows the daily increase in confirmed new cases, as well as a 5-day moving average which helps smooth out the 'noise' from short-term fluctuations by averaging the data from the last five days reported.

## Cases by regions as of 14 June:

Tashkent: 2838 (+100)	Fergana: 158
Bukhara: 475 (+2)	Karakalpakstan: 142
Samarkand: 387 (+2)	Kashkadarya: 57
Namangan: 273	Surkhandarya: 53 (+9)
Navoiy: 260	Jizzakh: 3
Khorezm: 247	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 187 (+1)	been transported to Tashkent

## Regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan with reported COVID-19 cases



- Of the 114 new cases confirmed on 14 June, 81 were identified in quarantine facilities, six are international truck drivers, and 27 were detected among the population: 10 in Tashkent city, nine in Surkhandarya, two in Samarkand, two in Bukhara, one in Andijan and one in Tashkent region (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz). The location of the remaining two cases detected among the population is not yet clear.
- Of the 97 new cases confirmed on 13 June, 85 were identified in quarantine facilities, seven are international truck drivers, and five were detected among the population: three in Karakalpakstan and two in Tashkent (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz).
- Of the 128 new cases confirmed on 12 June, 94 were identified in quarantine facilities, eight are international truck drivers, and 26 were detected among the population: 14 in Tashkent city, five in Tashkent region, five in Bukhara and two in Samarkand (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Lockdown measures prolonged until 1 August. This
  includes the colour coding into red, yellow and green of
  regions and districts, as well as the obligation to wear
  face masks and use antiseptics in public places, and the
  principle of keeping physical distance (gazeta.uz).
- As of 15 June, some international flights have resumed. Uzbek citizens can go abroad to care for relatives, work or study. Diplomats, permanently registered foreigners and some employees of international companies and organizations are also allowed to enter or leave the country (gazeta.uz, coronavirus.uz).
- Opening of preschools postponed until 1 August. The additional time will allow the proper preparation of schools to follow sanitary and hygienic rules (podrobno.uz).

#### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

#### **Health Capacity-Building**

- WHO is organizing webinars and technical workshops for national specialists on a set of subjects related to lab testing for COVID-19.
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.









17 JUNE 2020 (DATA AS AT 11PM, PREVIOUS DAY)

This Sitrep outlines current information on the COVID-19 outbreak in Uzbekistan, and summarizes international partners' support to the national response effort.





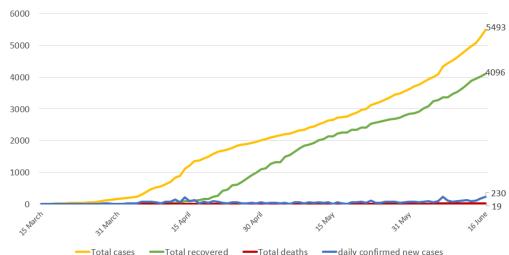
Total Recovered: 4096

Daily new cases: 230

Total Deaths: 19

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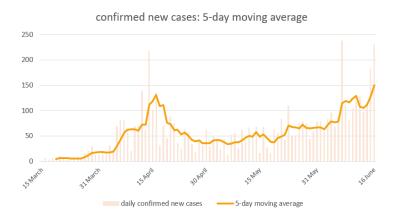
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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Spotlight: UNICEF U-Report poll on distance education, children at home, family relations and knowledge of COVID-19 during the lockdown

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

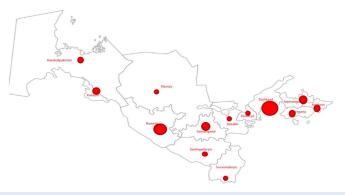


This chart shows the daily increase in confirmed new cases, as well as a 5-day moving average which helps smooth out the 'noise' from short-term fluctuations by averaging the data from the last five days reported.

## Cases by regions as of 16 June:

Tashkent: 3106 (+115)	Kashkadarya: 161 (+104)
Bukhara: 486 (+4)	Fergana: 158
Samarkand: 392 (+2)	Karakalpakstan: 142
Namangan: 283 (+5)	Surkhandarya: 53
Navoiy: 265	Jizzakh: 3
Khorezm: 257	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 187	been transported to Tashkent

## Regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan with reported COVID-19 cases



- Of the 230 new cases confirmed on 16 June, 196 were identified in quarantine facilities, 14 are international truck drivers, and 20 were detected among the population: Seven in the Tashkent region, six in Tashkent city, three in Bukhara, two in Samarkand and one in Namangan (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz). The location of the remaining case detected among the population is not yet clear.
- Of the 183 new cases confirmed on 15 June, 144 were identified in quarantine facilities, ten are international truck drivers, and 29 were detected among the population: 25 in Tashkent (city and region), three in Samarkand and one in Khorezm (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 1255 patients currently being treated for COVID-19 in the country, 14 are described to be in serious condition and two in an extremely serious condition (gazeta.uz). Source of infection of 57 COVID-19 patients remains unknown (gazeta.uz).
- Patients who are asymptomatic or have only mild symptoms of COVID-19 to be treated at home. This has been decided at the President's instruction on 16 June. Patients treated at home will remain under medical supervision (gazeta.uz).

#### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

### **Health Capacity-Building**

- WHO will conduct a webinar on infection prevention and control for health care and public health professionals from all regions of Uzbekistan on 18 June.
   Private health care facilities have also been invited to participate.
- As part of the continuous effort to support the government with its needs assessment for the COVID-19 response, WHO has held a training session for Ministry of Health (MOH) staff on the usage of the Adapt Tool. The tool is a special predicting instrument for estimating the number of medical beds and healthcare workers needed in the course of COVID-19.
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the

Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.

UNICEF SPOTLIGHT: U-Report polls on distance education, children at home, family relations and COVID-19 knowledge

- UNICEF, in partnership with national partners, has conducted a series of polls on U-Report. In the polls, young people from all over the country have shared their experience with distance learning programmes as well as care and early education for young children at home during the lockdown (polls of 17 and 29 May).
- Earlier U-Report polls have also assessed family relationships during the lockdown (28 April) and myths and facts about COVID-19 (7 May).

## **U-Report poll: Distance learning**

- 93% of respondents reported having continued their education as per the regular curriculum. The highest proportion of children who reported having interrupted their studies is from Jizzakh region (10%). The most common reasons for interruption of education during the lockdown are discomfort with remote learning mechanisms, lack of interest, and lack of access to TV/ internet.
- 33% of respondents reported having participated in distance learning activities on TV, while 32% reported having used Telegram.
- 68% of the participants, of which 73% were girls, reported having attended all the lessons.
- 54% of respondents rated the information and contents of distance learning programmes as good or excellent. 56% also perceived the methods and systems of distance learning as good/excellent.





- 65% of respondents felt strongly supported by their teachers during the lockdown, while 26% reported only having been graded, and 8% of respondents felt they did not receive any help from teachers.
- 40% of respondents are in favour of continuing distance learning even after the reopening of schools.

"The content and style of delivery need to be changed. [...] The Module system used for universities should be applied to schools as well."

"I really like distance learning [...]. But the only thing is that we will not be able to see (as before) friends, classmates. Learning with them is more fun."

### **U-Report poll: Children during lockdown**

- The poll has shown that, compared with other family members, siblings are the most active in engaging with preschoolers living with them. These young people are responsible for coming up with and planning activities and games for their siblings.
- 44% of respondents indicated that their children or siblings of preschool age felt stressed due to the inability to attend kindergarten; respondents in Surkhandarya (51%) noted so more than in any other region.
- 58% of respondents said that preschool children watch
   TV, play video games and stay on the phone longer than before the lockdown.
- 74% of the respondents confirmed that children in their family constantly wash their hands with soap.
   65% of respondent indicated that all family members teach the children how to correctly wear a mask and remind them to keep physical distance on the street.

### U-Report poll: Family relationships during lockdown

 38% of respondents believe that during the lockdown, family relationships had improved, half of which believing it to be due to increased communication.

- 8% of respondents noted that family relationships had worsened. 40% of men and 45% of women believe this worsening to be due to general irritability of family members, while 15-20% of respondents attribute the worsening to an attachment to mobile phones.
- 52% of respondents felt that they were able to maintain a positive and stable psychological state of mind, while the remaining respondents reported experiencing psychological problems of various natures.
- Women, compared to men, reported being more stressed about matters relating to online work and lessons due to self-isolation and family quarrels.

"Sometimes [...] there is the fear of the future, an anxiety that this will not end."

## U-Report poll: Facts and myths about COVID-19

- 55% of respondents knew that antiseptics need at least 60% alcohol in order to protect against viruses. Most of the respondents who could not answer this question (17% of the total number of participants) are from the Kashkadarya and Syrdarya regions.
- 95% of respondents were aware of how to best wash fruits and vegetables (wash hands first, then the produce).









19 JUNE 2020 (DATA AS AT 11PM, PREVIOUS DAY)

This Sitrep outlines current information on the COVID-19 outbreak in Uzbekistan, and summarizes international partners' support to the national response effort.

Total Cases: 5767

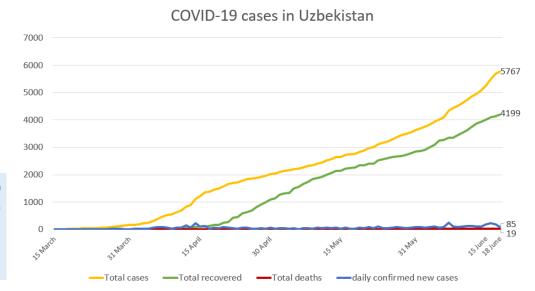
Total Recovered: 4199

Daily new cases: 85

Total Deaths: 19

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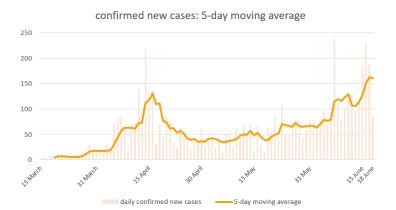
National Hotline: 1003



## **HIGHLIGHTS**

71 Makhallas in Tashkent city red zoned (up from 42)

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

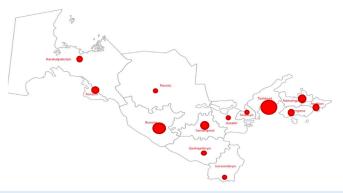


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## Cases by regions as of 18 June:

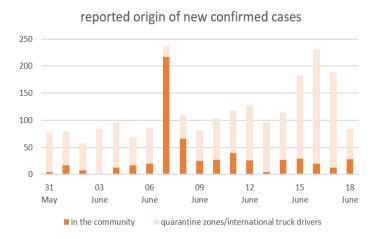
Tashkent: 3349 (+73)	Kashkadarya: 167 (+6)
Bukhara: 494	Fergana: 158
Samarkand: 397	Karakalpakstan: 142
Namangan: 283	Surkhandarya: 59
Navoiy: 271 (+6)	Jizzakh: 3
Khorezm: 257	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 187	been transported to Tashkent

## Regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan with reported COVID-19 cases



### Epidemiological update (cont'd)

- Of the 85 new cases confirmed on 18 June, 54 were identified in quarantine facilities, three are international truck drivers, and 28 were detected among the population: 14 in Tashkent region, six in Kashkadarya and three in Tashkent city (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz). The location of the remaining five cases detected among the population is not yet clear.
- Of the 189 new cases confirmed on 17 June, 169 were identified in quarantine facilities, seven are international truck drivers, and 13 were detected among the population: five in Tashkent City, three in Tashkent region, three in Bukhara and two in Surkhandarya (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).



This chart displays the total number of daily new cases, disaggregated by cases reported to have been discovered among the population and those reported in quarantine zones or in incoming truck drivers. Numbers correspond to those reported by the Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz from 31 May.

## **Latest National COVID-19 Response News**

- 71 Makhallas in Tashkent city 'red zoned'. This was announced by the press service of the Tashkent Central Internal Affairs Directorate.
- Flashka shopping complex, Dekhkan Market and Urikzor shopping complex temporarily closed after discovery of new cases of COVID-19 in Tashkent

(gazeta.uz).

Japan donates 500 million yen (approximately USD 4.5 million) to Uzbekistan for the purchase of medical equipment to combat COVID-19 (podrobno.uz).

#### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

#### **Health Capacity-Building**

- WHO Regional Office for Europe and the Country Office in Uzbekistan have provided an update on infection prevention and control (IPC), discussing modes of transmission, IPC strategies and COVID-19 infections among health workers. The webinar was conducted for 50 participants from academic institutions and health care facilities (including private clinics).
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.

## **Health Procurement & Supply Chain**

The PPE delivered this week to 21 maternity hospitals of Andijan region within the joint UNAIDS-UNFPA Agreement reached 410 doctors (including obstetrician – gynecologists, neonatologists and resuscitation doctors), 2550 midwifes, nurses and 1510 other staff of maternities. The provided quantity of PPE will help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission in the health sector in Andijan region for the next three months.

## **ADDITIONAL RESPONSE PRIORITIES**

#### **Protection and Key Populations**

 UNFPA has dispatched four computers to the 'Civic Initiatives Support Center' NGO to ensure smooth and uninterrupted support by lawyers and psychologists helping women and families in difficult situations as well as GBV survivors. The support is provided through the





- helpline services supported by **UNFPA**, the Gender Commission of the Senate of Uzbekistan, and OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan.
- Updates based on the data published on the 'No to violence' Telegram channel (launched by UNFPA and the Gender Commission of the Senate of Uzbekistan):
  - Between 5 and 11 June, 75 appeals were received through the helpline, the lowest weekly rate since the beginning of operations on 10 April. A possible reason for the lower figures, particularly a decrease in the number of appeals for material support, is the partial lifting of lockdown measures and people being able to resume their work.
  - Based on information received from the National Rehabilitation and Adaptation Centers for GBV survivors, between 27 April and 13 June, 1390 appeals for legal and psychological support were received nationwide. As per 13 June, 37 survivors are placed in rehab centers (19 women and 18 children).

## **Risk Communication and Community Engagement**

- WHO Regional Office has held its bi-weekly press briefing for journalists from the region on 18 June. Dr. Hans Kluge (WHO Regional Director for Europe) and technical experts presented a situation update on COVID-19 and the priority actions needed at the moment. Media representatives from Uzbekistan and the wider region took part in the briefing.
- The <u>video contest</u>, '10 rules for effective summer holidays', announced by the Ministry of Public Education in collaboration with UNFPA and targeted at adolescent girls with a view to strengthen their skills, including the use of ICT, has received a total of 514 submissions. The selection committee will announce the best six videos next week.









22 JUNE 2020 (DATA AS AT 11PM, PREVIOUS DAY)

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Total Cases: 6315

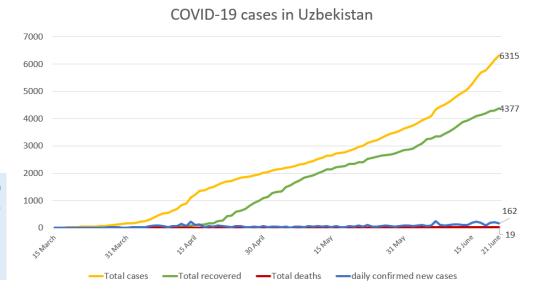
Total Recovered: 4377

Daily new cases: 162

Total Deaths: 19

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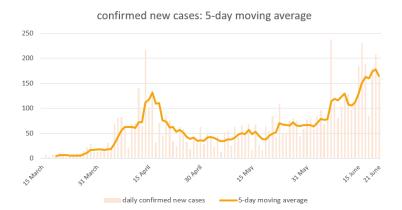
National Hotline: 1003



## **HIGHLIGHTS**

 Quarantine costs to be borne by business entities if COVID-19 infection found due to non-compliance with sanitary rules

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

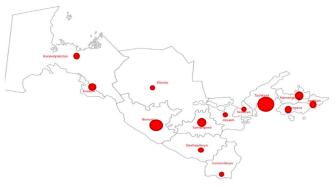


This chart shows the daily increase in confirmed new cases, as well as a 5-day moving average which helps smooth out the 'noise' from short-term fluctuations by averaging the data from the last five days reported.

## Cases by regions as of 21 June:

Tashkent: 3813 (+123)	Navoiy: 275
Bukhara: 507 (+13)	Fergana: 158
Samarkand: 411 (+10)	Karakalpakstan: 142
Namangan: 294 (+4)	Surkhandarya: 63
Andijan: 191 (+3)	Jizzakh: 3
Khorezm: 282	Syrdarya – all patients have
Kashkadarya: 176 (+9)	been transported to Tashkent

## Regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan with reported COVID-19 cases



#### Epidemiological update (cont'd)

- Of the 162 new cases confirmed on 21 June, 127 were identified in quarantine facilities, 13 are international truck drivers, and 22 were detected among the population: 11 in Bukhara, seven in Tashkent City and one each in Syrdarya, Samarkand, Andijan and Tashkent Region (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 207 new cases confirmed on 20 June, 179 were identified in quarantine facilities, nine are international truck drivers, and 19 were detected among the population: 13 in Tashkent City, four in Tashkent region, one in Khorezm and one in Surkhandarya (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 179 new cases confirmed on 19 June, 146 were identified in quarantine facilities, four are international truck drivers, and 29 were detected among the population: 26 in Tashkent City and region and three in Namangan (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).

reported origin of new confirmed cases

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This chart displays the total number of daily new cases, disaggregated by cases reported to have been discovered among the population and those reported in quarantine zones or in incoming truck drivers. Numbers correspond to those reported by the Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz from 31 May.

# **Latest National COVID-19 Response News**

 Updated list of regions by quarantine level / colour zones published. According to the Agency for Sanitary and Epidemiological Well-Being, Andijan, Jizzakh and

- Ferghana remain in the green zone, Tashkent region and all districts of Tashkent city are in the yellow zone, while some Mahallas in the capital continue to be redzoned (gazeta.uz).
- Urtachirchik district of Tashkent region red zoned.
   After five employees of a winery in the Bektemir district of Tashkent who live in Urtachirchik district contracted COVID-19, their houses have been quarantined (podrobno.uz).
- Man found hanged in quarantine complex in Yukorichirchik district (Tashkent region). On 20 June at around 4:00 AM, a native of Ferghana Region was found hanged inside a container built for temporary residence of citizens in quarantine. Where and when the deceased arrived in quarantine has not yet been specified (press service of the General Prosecutor's Office; gazeta.uz).
- Foreign tourists to receive compensation of USD 3000 in case of infection with COVID-19 while travelling in Uzbekistan. According to a presidential resolution signed on 19 June, tourists will receive the compensation if visiting the country under a programme organized by a domestic travel company.
- Republican Special Commission: If COVID-19 is detected
  as a result of non-compliance with sanitary
  requirements by business entities, the costs associated
  with quarantining facilities and persons must be
  reimbursed by those business entities (kun.uz).

## **HEALTH RESPONSE**

## **Health Capacity-Building**

On 19 June, WHO Regional Office for Europe has conducted a webinar on 'Maintaining Services for Chronic Respiratory Care during the COVID-19 pandemic' for health workers from Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. Uzbek specialists pulmonology and primary health care (PHC) attended the webinar. Experts from Imperial College of London and Ghent University, WHO specialists and members of the European Respiratory Society shared their experience and findings. Furthermore, the participants also discussed the re-organization of patient-centered care for patients with chronic respiratory diseases and the lessons learned for the future. A total of 102





**specialists** from Central Asia took part in the webinar.

- On 19 June, the World Bank and P4H (Social Health Protection Network) conducted a webinar on health financing during COVID-19. The webinar was moderated by P4H and WHO and featured the experience of Kazakhstan and the Russian Federation. Representatives of the Ministries of Health, Finance, Economy, and Industry of Uzbekistan attended the webinar, during which a number of issues were discussed, including health financing and planning of resources, government contributions for treatment, and coverage of essential health services.
- On 23 June, from 5:00 to 6.30 PM Uzbek time, the first Emergency Operations Network global webinar on Public Health Emergency Operations Centres for the COVID-19 response will be held. The webinar will focus on sharing knowledge and experience in developing and implementing a concept of operations and an incident management system.
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.









**24 JUNE 2020** (DATA AS AT 11PM, PREVIOUS DAY)

This Sitrep outlines current information on the COVID-19 outbreak in Uzbekistan, and summarizes international partners' support to the national response effort.

Total Cases: 6662

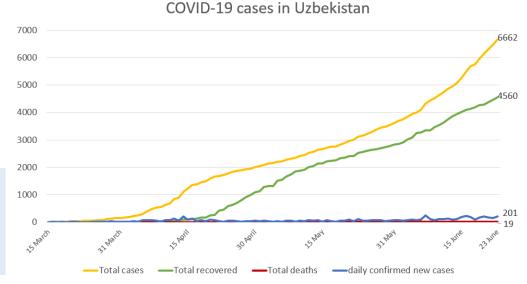
Total Recovered: 4560

Daily new cases: 201

Total Deaths: 19

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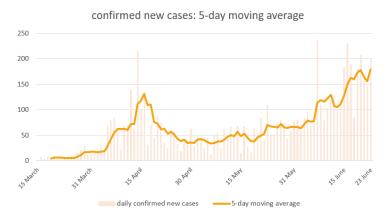
National Hotline: 1003



## **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Private clinics to carry out COVID-19 tests
- Option to quarantine in hotels instead of official quarantine sites introduced

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

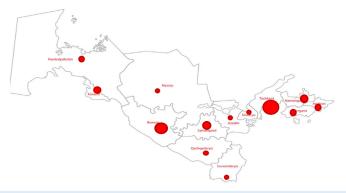


This chart shows the daily increase in confirmed new cases, as well as a 5-day moving average which helps smooth out the 'noise' from short-term fluctuations by averaging the data from the last five days reported.

Cases by regions as of 23 June:

Tashkent: 4118 (+159)	Kashkadarya: 183 (+7)
Bukhara: 507	Fergana: 158
Samarkand: 414 (+3)	Karakalpakstan: 143 (+1)
Namangan: 297 (+3)	Surkhandarya: 74 (+11)
Khorezm: 296 (+14)	Jizzakh: 3
Navoiy: 275	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 194 (+3)	been transported to Tashkent

Regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan with reported COVID-19 cases



#### Epidemiological update (cont'd)

- Of the 201 new cases confirmed on 23 June, 168 were identified in quarantine facilities, three are international truck drivers, and 30 were detected among the population: Nine in Tashkent City, six in Khorezm, four in Kashkadarya, three in Tashkent region, three in Namangan, two in Andijan, two in Surkhandarya, and one in Syrdarya (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 146 new cases confirmed on 22 June, 127 were identified in quarantine facilities, five are international truck drivers, and 14 were detected among the population: eight in Tashkent region and six in Tashkent City (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).



This chart displays the total number of daily new cases, disaggregated by cases reported to have been discovered among the population and those reported in quarantine zones or in incoming truck drivers. Numbers correspond to those reported by the Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz from 31 May.

## **Latest National COVID-19 Response News**

- As of 24 June, private medical facilities are allowed to provide laboratory COVID-19 tests. After obtaining agreements with the respective regional centers of sanitary and epidemiological welfare and being found in compliance with official requirements, private labs can provide PCR tests for COVID-19 (Ministry of Health and gazeta.uz).
- Uzbek Airways to carry out 21 further charter flights for the repatriation of Uzbek citizens from abroad (kun.uz).

- Over 1 million COVID-19 tests conducted in Uzbekistan. 17,600 tests were carried out on 23 June alone. Currently, 59,500 citizens persons are quarantined, of which 22,800 are in official quarantine sites (gazeta.uz).
- Quarantine after re-entry to Uzbekistan can be spent in officially listed hotels. According to a decision of the Republican Special Commission, Uzbek citizens who reenter the country from abroad can opt to spend their 14-day official quarantine in a hotel, the cost of which is borne by citizens themselves (daryo.uz).

#### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

## **Health Capacity-Building**

- who has held a first webinar for the six Who regions on 'Strategic spotlight on noncommunicable diseases (NCDs)'. The respective country speakers presented the implications of COVID-19 on NCDs, shared their experience on challenges, and their national responses on access to health services. Who Headquarters presented global survey results and an overview of operational guidance on maintaining essential health services. A follow-up webinar will be conducted on 30 June 2020 with translation into the six official Who languages.
- WHO is organizing a series of five webinars on how to address NCDs within the context of COVID-19 on 23 June, 21 July, 25 August, 22 September and 27 October 2020. National directors and programme managers responsible for NCDs in Ministries of Health are invited to take part.
- Project ECHO of the University New Mexico, together with the CDC and in collaboration with WHO, is organizing regular global webinars on Infection prevention and control (IPC) in the context of COVID-19. The webinars are simultaneously translated into Russian, among other languages. The topic of the next webinar on 25 June is 'Environmental cleaning in healthcare settings in the context of COVID-19.' The invitation has been disseminated by the WHO Country Office to the respective audience and experts on IPC, including specialists of the Ministry of Health (MOH), the faculty of medical institutes, and medical workers of





private clinics.

• WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the MOH in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.









26 JUNE 2020 (DATA AS AT 11PM, PREVIOUS DAY)

This Sitrep outlines current information on the COVID-19 outbreak in Uzbekistan, and summarizes international partners' support to the national response effort.

COVID-19 cases in Uzbekistan

Total Cases: 7177

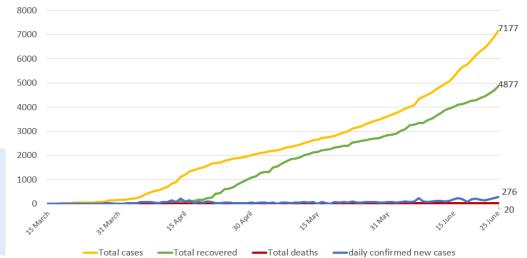
Total Recovered: 4877

Daily new cases: 276

Total Deaths: 20

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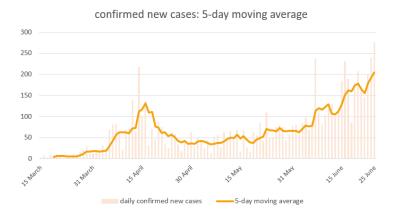
National Hotline: 1003



## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Record number of new daily cases (276) and record number of daily recoveries (192)
 reached

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

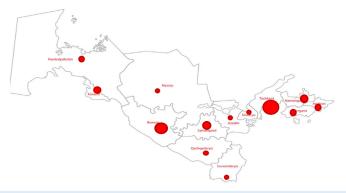


This chart shows the daily increase in confirmed new cases, as well as a 5-day moving average which helps smooth out the 'noise' from short-term fluctuations by averaging the data from the last five days reported.

## Cases by regions as of 25 June:

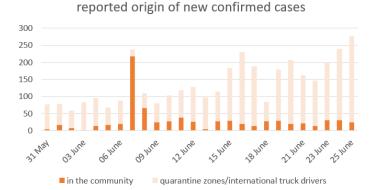
Tashkent: 4609 (+271)	Kashkadarya: 183
Bukhara: 507	Fergana: 158
Samarkand: 428	Karakalpakstan: 143
Namangan: 298 (+1)	Surkhandarya: 75 (+1)
Khorezm: 296	Jizzakh: 5 (+2)
Navoiy: 280	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 195 (+1)	been transported to Tashkent

## Regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan with reported COVID-19 cases



#### Epidemiological update (cont'd)

- Of the 276 new cases confirmed on 25 June, 243 were identified in quarantine facilities, nine are international truck drivers, and 24 were detected among the population: 17 in Tashkent City, four in Tashkent region, two in Jizzakh and one in Andijan (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 239 new cases confirmed on 24 June, 207 were identified in quarantine facilities, one is an international truck driver, and 31 were detected among the population: 18 in Tashkent City, eight in Samarkand and five in Tashkent region (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).



This chart displays the total number of daily new cases, disaggregated by cases reported to have been discovered among the population and those reported in quarantine zones or in incoming truck drivers. Numbers correspond to those reported by the Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz from 31 May.

## **Latest National COVID-19 Response News**

- Private clinics begin testing for COVID-19. Five private clinics have already concluded the necessary agreements in order to be allowed to carry out PCR and serology COVID-19 tests (gazeta.uz).
- ADB to loan Uzbekistan USD 500 million to mitigate the effects of COVID-19 on the economy. The decision was approved on 25 June by the ADB Board of Directors. The funds will be directed into the Anti-Crisis Fund and the state budget and are allocated for 15 years (gazeta.uz).
- Of the **2331 active COVID-19 cases** (as per Friday 26 June 10AM), 19 are considered to be in a severe

condition, and seven are in an extremely serious condition (gazeta.uz).

#### **HEALTH RESPONSE**

#### **Health Capacity-Building**

- On 26 June, WHO Country Office and the Ministry of **Health** (MOH) organized a joint seminar on 'COVID-19: pregnancy, childbirth and breastfeeding'. The webinar was based on the national interim guidelines and conducted for medical institutes, centers of professional training, and medical practitioners of perinatal care. A total of 35 participants took part in the webinar, including from the Republican Perinatal Center, the Ministry of Health's Maternal And Child Health Department and the Education and Science Department, and national experts.
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the Ministry of Health in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.

## **Protection and Key Populations**

- On 24 June, a group of international agencies (OSCE Project Co-Ordinator in Uzbekistan, UN Resident Coordinator and representatives of WHO and OHCHR) visited the quarantine zone 'Urtasaray' in Yoqorychirchik district, Tashkent region. The main areas of the zone were observed and conversations were held with medical and administrative staff.
- 'What are the causes of family conflicts?' was the question posed to the subscribers of the 'No to violence' Telegram channel, which is supported by UNFPA. The poll revealed that 72% out of 406 respondents consider that conflicts occur due to misunderstandings between spouses. 30% of the respondents highlighted parents 'interfering' in young couples' lives, 21% attributed family conflicts to economic constraints, and 19% to men being





- irresponsible towards family responsibilities. This poll elicited the attention of about 4000 channel viewers.
- The telephone helpline service, supported by UNFPA, continues to receive calls for support, and the number of calls received between 12 and 18 June increased by 20 calls (compared to the previous week) for a total of 95 calls (74 from women and 21 from men). The male callers usually seek support on reconciliation with spouses, advice on claims for alimony and legal grounds regarding parenting after a divorce.









29 JUNE 2020 (DATA AS AT 11PM, PREVIOUS DAY)

This Sitrep outlines current information on the COVID-19 outbreak in Uzbekistan, and summarizes international partners' support to the national response effort.

Total Cases: 7948

Total Recovered: 5329

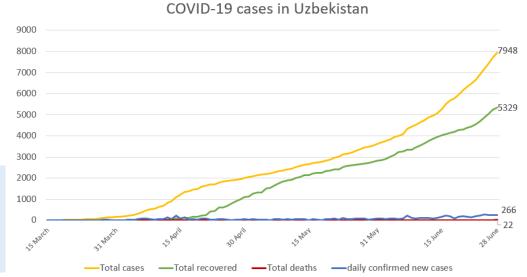
Daily new cases: 266

Total Deaths: 22

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statistics.

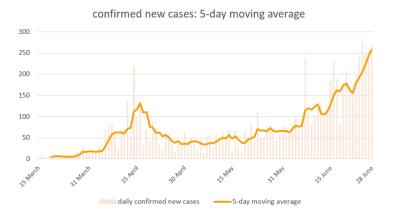
National Hotline: 1003



## **HIGHLIGHTS**

• 99 Makhallas in Tashkent red zoned (up from 71)

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATE**

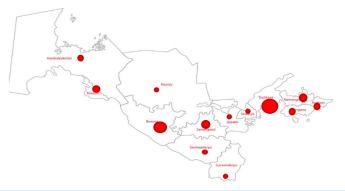


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## Cases by regions as of 28 June:

Tashkent: 5284 (+225)	Kashkadarya: 197 (+14)
Bukhara: 512	Fergana: 158
Samarkand: 432 (+4)	Karakalpakstan: 151 (+6)
Khorezm: 318	Surkhandarya: 101
Namangan: 298	Jizzakh: 5
Navoiy: 283 (+3)	Syrdarya – all patients have
Andijan: 209 (+14)	been transported to Tashkent

## $Regions\ of\ the\ Republic\ of\ Uzbekistan\ with\ reported\ COVID-19\ cases$



## Epidemiological update (cont'd)

- Of the 266 new cases confirmed on 28 June, 247 were quarantine facilities, identified in three international truck drivers, and 16 were detected among the population: six in Andijan, four in Samarkand, two in Tashkent City, in Karakalpakstan, one in Tashkent region and one in Syrdarya (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 255 new cases confirmed on 27 June, 169 were identified in quarantine facilities, 32 are international truck drivers, and 54 were detected among the population: 39 in Tashkent City, six in Tashkent region, four in Syrdarya, four in Surkhandarya and one in Bukhara (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).
- Of the 250 new cases confirmed on 26 June, 220 were identified in quarantine facilities, five are international truck drivers, and 25 were detected among the population: 10 in Khorezm, eight in Tashkent City, five in Tashkent region, one in Bukhara and one in Syrdarya (Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz and gazeta.uz).



This chart displays the total number of daily new cases, disaggregated by cases reported to have been discovered among the population and those reported in quarantine zones or in incoming truck drivers. Numbers correspond to those reported by the Ministry of Health on coronavirus.uz from 31 May.

#### **Latest National COVID-19 Response News**

- The Government of the Republic of Korea plans to allocate a grant of a total of USD 5 million to Uzbekistan under the 'COVID-19 Emergency Response Program'. Korea and Uzbekistan will jointly implement the components which include the provision of medical equipment, capacity building for medical specialists, and civil society cooperation for assisting vulnerable parts of the population. This grant is in addition to the USD 550,000 worth of emergency assistance for COVID-19 test kits and advisory support by medical specialists from Korea (Embassy of the Republic of Korea).
- 99 Makhallas in Tashkent red zoned (list available as of 29 June). 87 Makhallas are in the yellow zone and the remaining 333 Makhallas in the green zone. This was announced by the Agency for Sanitary and Epidemiological Surveillance (podrobno.uz).
- Over the weekend, new cases discovered in Tashkent City were, amongst others, a resident of Mirzo-Ulugbek district, an employee of the Logistics Universal Markazi, one of Uzbekistan Temir Yollari, a resident of Yunusabad district, and a bus driver (gazeta.uz).

## **HEALTH RESPONSE**

#### **Health Capacity-Building**

- Project ECHO of the University of New Mexico, together with the CDC and WHO, is organizing regular global webinars on Infection prevention and control (IPC) in the context of COVID-19, in multiple languages including Russian. The topic of the next webinar, to be held on 2 July, is 'Limiting the introduction of COVID-19 in healthcare settings'. Specialists of the Ministry of Health (MOH) and faculty of medical institutes and staff of private clinics have been invited to join this webinar.
- WHO continues to provide daily assistance to the MOH in various technical areas, in line with WHO global standards, including on case detection and isolation, contact tracing, laboratory and COVID-19 test kits, infection prevention control, IHR reporting and data collection, risk communication, case management, essential non-COVID health services, procurement specifications, protection of vulnerable groups, and RH-MNCAH related COVID-19 support.



