

COVID-19 Update – United Arab Emirates

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Economic Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DP World has launched cutting-edge online logistics tools and services, covering sea, land and air shipping around the world. These new tools will allow freight forwarders and any business to book shipments of cargo from and to anywhere in the world. (Link)• The Executive Committee of the Abu Dhabi Executive Council has issued a resolution forming the Abu Dhabi Workers Committee. The committee is tasked with developing, executing and evaluating the inspection program for all private sector facilities to ensure they are complying with labor legislation. (Link)• UAE Water Aid Foundation has donated 10 million water bottles for distribution with the '10 million meals' campaign. (Link)
Health & Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On April 22, the UAE saw 483 new cases (1.42% decrease from the previous day) of the coronavirus, bringing the total to 8,238 total confirmed cases. (Link)• The UAE is close to completing close to one million tests, covering about 10% of the population. (Link)• Ambulatory Healthcare Services announced the launch of a child vaccination drive-through service in a number of selected healthcare centers in Abu Dhabi and Al Ain, as part of its ongoing effort to curb the spread of the coronavirus. (Link)• The Integrated Transport Centre of the Department of Municipalities and Transport in Abu Dhabi announced that all its public bus services in the Emirate will be suspended starting on Thursday April 23 until further notice. (Link)• The Abu Dhabi Department of Municipalities and Transport has announced that it will carry out a 48 hour sterilization campaign of public bus services. (Link)
Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The UAE government has coordinated with Islamabad to allocate additional flights to repatriate Pakistani nationals wishing to go home from the UAE. About 12 repatriation flights will depart the UAE between April 20 and April 28 and will be operated by Emirates Airline, Air Arabia and PIA. (Link)• Dubai Airports planning for phased travel re-start after coronavirus restrictions lift. (Link)• Etihad Airways has announced a new non-stop flight to Chicago on April 25. (Link)• Air Arabia announced that it will operate new repatriation flights from four cities in India to Sharjah carrying UAE nationals back home. (Link)
Daily Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Abu Dhabi Department of Economic Development and Dubai Economy have issued guidelines for re-opening commercial centers. These guidelines include reduced opening hours, mandatory testing for all employees, and masks and gloves must be worn by all shoppers (Link) (Link)• The Ministry of Health and Prevention and the National Emergency Crisis and Disasters Management Authority have directed local economic departments to study the possibility of

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	<p>re-opening commercial centers in consultation with their partners in the private sector, provided that all relevant precautionary and preventative measures are taken. (Link)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Abu Dhabi Department of Culture and Tourism has launched a new virtual exploration platform that allows users to go on 360-degree virtual tours while at home. (Link) • The Ministry of Education has announced that university students will not be issued academic warnings, be placed under monitoring or be dismissed while distance learning is in place. (Link) • The Commercial Compliance and Consumer Protection sector in Dubai Economy has imposed fines on seven traders, including three pharmacies in Warsan, Al Qusais and Al Jaddaf for tampering with the prices of face masks. (Link)