

# COVID-19 Update – United Arab Emirates

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Category	Recent Developments
<b>Economic Measures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Department of Government Support has announced that it will allocate 15% of government procurement spending &amp; annual contracts to mSMEs from 2020 onwards with hopes of driving growth for small businesses. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>The Authority of Social Contribution – Ma'an reminding Abu Dhabi citizens and residents whose income has been affected by the current health and economic situation to apply for its food support scheme by registering at togetherwearegood.ae. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>Dubai Healthcare City Authority launched on Tuesday a dedicated coronavirus fund in partnership with Al Jalila Foundation. The fund calls on residents to support private hospitals at the frontline of the coronavirus outbreak. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>The '10 million meals' campaign exceeds target with over 11 million meals in the first week. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> </ul>
<b>Health &amp; Safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On April 28, the UAE saw 541 new cases (+10.4% from the previous day) of the coronavirus, bringing the total to 11,380 total confirmed cases. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>Abu Dhabi Health Services Company (SEHA) has completed about 20,000 coronavirus tests for mall and ship employees across the Emirate of Abu Dhabi ahead of reopening. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>The Ministry of Community Development has set a series of additional and exceptional precautionary measures to support people of determination in light of the spread of the coronavirus outbreak. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>Dubai Gold &amp; Jewelry Group announces high safety measures in Dubai Gold Souk Area. The Gold Souk will reopen on April 26. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>Awqaf and Minors Affairs Foundation today announced a new collaboration with the Mohammed bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences to launch a national endowment fund to combat diseases and support epidemiological research. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> </ul>
<b>Travel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emirates SkyCargo dials up focus on safety for employees and operations. As Emirates SkyCargo scales up its operations, it is also taking additional measures to ensure the safety of its employees and operations during the coronavirus pandemic. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>Etihad Airways is planning to gradually resume passenger flights on May 16. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>Emirates Airlines has announced a limited number of flights to Frankfurt, Jakarta, Johannesburg, Lagos, London, Madrid, Manila and Tunis starting next week. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> </ul>
<b>Daily Life</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Executive Council of Umm Al Quwain has issued a decision to reopen commercial establishments in the emirate as per the amended timing of the National Disinfection Program. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> <li>Ajman eases restrictions on malls, restaurants and other businesses for Ramadan. <a href="#">(Link)</a></li> </ul>