**COVID-19 Update – United Arab Emirates**

**Wednesday May 06, 2020**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Recent Developments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| **Economic Measures** | • Abu Dhabi Customs has launched a package of 7 economic incentives to support importers in Abu Dhabi and mitigate the economic burden of the coronavirus. These incentives include postponing payments of importers’ customs duties for 90 days, licensing bond warehouses with no fees and others. (Link)  
• Abu Dhabi Exports Office has launched a national campaign to help business leaders use financial products and services to rebuild global export business and help the economy recover from the coronavirus. (Link)  
• Dubai Customs has launched a new platform titled ‘Aman’. This new platform is intended to enhance cyber security awareness by simulating cyber security violations and identifying loopholes. (Link)  
• The Sharjah Entrepreneurship Centre has pledged to create a solidarity fund of US $1 million to help startups affected by the impact of the coronavirus and celebrate the #UbuntuLoveChallenge. (Link) |
| **Health & Safety** | • On May 05, the UAE saw 462 new cases (-18.5% from the previous day) of the coronavirus, bringing the total to 15,192 total confirmed cases. (Link)  
• As of May 05, the UAE has conducted over 1.3 million coronavirus tests. (Link)  
• The UAE has managed to keep the death rate from the coronavirus below 1 percent, which is among the lowest in the world. (Link)  
• The UAE Ministry of Energy and Industry is collaborating with strategic partners in the medical sector to formulate plans to enhance the level of innovation, productivity and competitiveness of the country’s medical industries. (Link)  
• The Ministry of Health and Prevention has recently launched a mobile vaccination e-clinic service to provide vaccines for children while they are in their parent’s cars. (Link)  
• The Abu Dhabi Agriculture and Food Safety Authority has issued a guidance document on preventing the spread of the coronavirus in the food business sector. The document aims to raise awareness for food businesses, food workers and customers. (Link)  
• Dubai authorities are intensifying precautionary measures in labor camps to safeguard the health and wellbeing of workers amid the coronavirus outbreak. (Link)  
• The Abu Dhabi Agriculture and Food Safety Authority has announced preparations to reopen nine major vegetable and meat markets in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi. These markets will be re-opened with strict health and safety measures in place. (Link) |
| **Travel** | • Emirates SkyCargo reconnects six continents with scheduled cargo flights with 67 global destinations on a weekly basis. (Link) |
| **Daily Life** | • Individuals over the age of 60 and children under the age of 12 are prohibited from entering shopping malls and retail stores in the UAE. (Link) |