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Greetings,

In the following you can read the development of Coronavirus situation in Egypt, since its first appear to the very current moment, hopefully we can all see an end soon to this situation.

Starting 14th of February with relieving the news of the first Coronavirus case in Egypt (with a foreign tourist), the Egyptian government took many actions to contain the situation and slow the spreading of the virus, after 16 days and on the first of March, we discovered the second case with also a foreign tourist.

The Prime Minister has been always following the global epidemiological situation of the emerging coronavirus. The Minister of Health instructed to raise the level of readiness of all hospitals designated for referral and provide it with all the necessary capabilities

The preventive medicine sector always monitored the global epidemiological situation around the clock, publishing and distributing manuscripts, publications, and guidelines for the disease.

The official spokesperson for the Council of Ministers indicated that the Ministry of Health and Population, in its report, indicated that it had announced the discovery of the second case of illness for a foreign citizen, which confirms the ability and effectiveness of the preventive plan that have developed. The Ministry, under the supervision and follow-up of Minister Dr. Hala Zayed, also affirmed the ability of the Egyptian health system to monitor any case of epidemic disease, and take all precautions to prevent its spread.

In its report reviewed by the Prime Minister, the Ministry noted that the maximum degree of readiness has been raised in all health facilities and quarantine departments in all air, sea and land entry points, where all cases coming from areas affected by the disease are compared to early detection of any incoming case, Also, all preventive measures were taken and those involved in the case were monitored to ensure that the disease does not spread.

The report also indicated that the Minister of Health issued instructions to raise the degree of readiness and preparedness of all hospitals designated for referral and provide them with all the necessary capabilities, and the Ministry of Health, represented in the preventive medicine sector, monitors the global epidemiological situation around the clock.

At the same time, the plan to prepare for and respond to the emerging corona disease (19-COVID) has been activated, and manuscripts, publications, and guidelines for this disease have been published and distributed, and circulated to the places of health service provision, major fevers and chest, and general hospitals for suspected cases.

On March 1st,

The Egyptian government announced, medical examinations for Egyptians who were present with tourists who were infected with the emerging coronavirus, while the World Health Organization clarified that the confirmed cases in France were on a tourist visit to Egypt, and the source and location of the infection is still under investigation.

On March the 2nd,

The Egyptian Ministry of Health announced that it had raised the maximum level of readiness in health facilities and quarantine departments at entry points to the country, in a preventive measure against the emerging Corona virus "Covid 19".

The Egyptian authorities indicated that all those who come from areas affected by the disease are subject to a screening process, in an effort to discover early any possible new cases.

The Ministry confirmed taking all preventive measures and restricting and following up those in contact with the two affected cases to ensure that the disease does not spread, and the degree of readiness and preparedness of all hospitals designated for referral has been raised and provided with all the necessary capabilities.

The Egyptian Ministry of Health submitted a report to the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, in which it indicated the activation of the preparedness plan and response to the emerging corona disease.

Egyptian Health Minister, Hala Zayed, left on Sunday evening, despite the outbreak of the Corona epidemic, stressing that she was carrying a message of solidarity from President Abdel-Fattah El-Sisi in order to enhance cooperation with Beijing to combat the emerging Corona virus (Covid 19).

Before her departure, the minister held a press conference at Cairo airport in the presence of the Chinese ambassador to Cairo, where she confirmed that she was heading to China at the mandate of the Egyptian President.

The minister indicated that the visit to China will be loaded with a gift from President Sisi and the Egyptian people, which is a shipment of preventive medical supplies, noting the exchange of experiences between the two countries on precautionary measures to counter the emerging Corona virus.

"We are very interested in lending a helping hand to help China overcome this epidemic," she added, adding that "Egypt is doing this for humanity."

On March the 4th,

Mr. Kamal Najem, head of the Customs Authority, confirmed that the customs outlets are committed to implementing all the precautionary measures and preventive precautions approved by the World Health Organization, to ensure the protection of the country from the Corona virus.

It was not 6 days after the announcement of the second case of Corona virus, a 53-year-old Canadian expert, until the Ministry of Health announced the discovery of the third case in Egypt, which is the first case of an Egyptian whose virus was detected, as the two cases previously discovered were foreigners.

The Egyptian Ministry of Health and Population and the World Health Organization announced the discovery of a positive case of the new Corona virus (Covid 19) inside the country for an Egyptian citizen returning from abroad.

Dr. Khaled Mujahid, Advisor to the Minister of Health and Population for Media Affairs, and the official spokesperson for the Ministry, said that the case discovered by a 44-year-old Egyptian citizen returning from Serbia through France "transit" for 12 hours and upon his return to Egypt did not show any symptoms and after a few days began There are minor symptoms, so he went to the hospital where he was done laboratory tests, which came positive today, Thursday, 5 March 2020, and he is being transferred to the isolation hospital, which is designated to receive the necessary medical care.

The Minister of Health and Population followed the convening of the 24-hour Crisis Management Chamber, which included representatives from all ministries and relevant authorities, at the Ministry's general office, to follow up the situation of the Corona virus emerging inside the country and the Ministry's preventive plan in the ports and all health directorates in the Republic.

On March 6th,

Minister of Health: conducting analyzes of 2,166 suspected cases of emerging coronavirus and influenza in Egypt, all negative.

Dr. Hala Zayed, Minister of Health and Population, announced the analysis of 2,166 suspected cases of the emerging coronavirus (Covid-19) and influenza in Egypt, from last January to today, Friday, stressing that all of them were negative, except for 15 cases that proved positive. .

The Minister of Health and Population said that the 15 positive cases, 12 of them were discovered today, Friday, 6 March, carrying the virus, without any symptoms on board an Nile cruise ship coming from Aswan Governorate to Luxor Governorate, for Egyptians working on the ship, and they were transferred to the hospital designated for isolation, Noting that the remaining cases were subject to quarantine for a period of 14 days (the incubation period of the disease), where their health is monitored and reassured.

She added that the case that was diagnosed yesterday, Thursday, March 5, 2020, for a 44-year-old Egyptian citizen who returned from Serbia through France "transit" for 12 hours and upon his return to Egypt did not show any symptoms and after a few days began to show minor symptoms, he was transferred To the isolation hospital designated to receive the necessary medical care, and all preventive measures have been applied to those who come in contact with it.

The Ministry of Health and Population continued to raise its preparedness in all ports of the country (air, land, and sea), follow the situation first-hand regarding the "Corona emerging" virus, and take all necessary precautions against any viruses or infectious diseases.

On March 9th,

The number of confirmed cases of coronavirus has risen to 59, and 21 of them are the result of their negative tests

The Egyptian Ministry of Health and Population announced that the total number of confirmed positive cases of the emerging coronavirus (Covid-19) has reached 59 cases.

Dr. Khaled Mujahid, Advisor to the Minister of Health and Population for Media Affairs and the official spokesperson of the Ministry, said that the cases that have proven laboratory positive for the Corona virus, , 4 cases, including 3 Egyptians and a foreign lady, all of whom are in contact with previously announced cases, noting that the discovery of these cases It is part of the surveillance and investigation work carried out by the Ministry's preventive teams for direct and indirect contacts of cases that have proven positive, according to the guidelines of the World Health Organization.

On March 10th,

Health: 48 foreigners leave one of the Nile steamboats in Luxor after they have proven negative results of their analysis of Corona virus

The Ministry of Health and Population announced that 48 foreigners who were on board a Nile cruise ship in Luxor Governorate will leave for their country this evening, and 35 other foreigners will leave their country tomorrow morning.

These foreigners left Luxor Governorate to their country after following up their health and making sure of the negative results of their analyzes of the new Corona virus (Covid-19) and at the request of their countries to return to their country and follow all preventive measures The necessary precautions in coordination with the World Health Organization.

No new infected or suspected cases of infection with the Corona virus would be detected in all governorates of the Republic except for what has been announced, noting that once any infection is suspected, it will be announced immediately, in full transparency according to the international health regulations, and in coordination with the World Health Organization.

The Minister of Manpower mandated Muhammad Saafan, the labor representation offices affiliated with the Ministry with Egyptian embassies and consulates abroad, to work an operations room to follow up the conditions of Egyptian workers moment by moment, respond to any inquiries from them, and provide support and assistance to them at any time, especially in that critical period after the spread of a virus. Corona, "and stand on the decisions issued by the country of work, which pertain to expatriate labor, including Egyptian labor, and work to preserve the rights of that labor that may be affected by some of the measures taken by some countries in this regard, within the framework of the great attention the Egyptian state gives And urge her children to b Outside to protect their rights.

They affirmed that continuous communication is taking place with the Egyptian community, and it was found that there are no cases of infection with the virus between them, and that all cases of infection within the Qatif region are not of Egyptian nationality, which were closed permanently, which led to the difficulty of movement for workers in the closed sector, and their place of residence Dammam.

The Ministry of Youth and Sports announced a package of executive, precautionary and preventive measures to counter the spread of the "Corona emerging" virus, as follows:

1. Postponing the implementation of sporting events and events in a manner that does not harm the interests of the Egyptian sports system, in accordance with the agenda of international obligations and their limitations in coordination with various international sports institutions, the Egyptian Olympic Committee and all sports federations.
2. Stopped all events, demonstrations, and youth and sporting events that result in masses or masses.
3. Coordination with the Ministry of Health and all relevant authorities to work to sterilize sports and youth training places.
4. Alert all sports and youth institutions and facilities, including sports clubs and youth centers, to observe the prevention and sterilization controls in administrative offices, youth and youth presence sites and all their facilities.

On March 11th,

Health: The number of cases that have been transformed as a result of its tests from positive to negative for the emerging corona virus has increased to 27. And the registration of a new positive case

The Ministry of Health and Population announced that the cases that were transformed as a result of its tests from positive to negative for the new corona virus (covid-19) rose to 27 negative cases today, Wednesday, after it proved negative laboratory analyzes of an Egyptian citizen within the four cases that were announced Reported their injury last Monday.

He pointed to the registration of a new case, which proved positive for its analyzes of the new Corona virus, today it was in contact with the four cases that were announced last Monday, bringing the number of cases that were recorded positive for the virus in Egypt 60 cases, including 27 cases that turned as a result of their analyzes to negative after receiving medical care According to WHO guidelines.

The Ministry of Health and Population continues to raise its readiness at all ports of the country (air, land, and marine), follow the situation first-hand regarding the "Corona emerging" virus, and take all necessary preventive measures against any viruses or infectious diseases, and hotline 105 has been allocated to receive citizens' inquiries regarding Corona emerging virus and infectious diseases.

Egyptian airports in cooperation with preventive medicine teams affiliated with the Ministry of Health and Population are intensifying procedures and operations of disinfection and sterilization significantly, including entry and exit halls for travel and access, passport containers, bag belts, luggage transport vehicles and waiting areas for passengers, recipients, depositors, and restrooms, and on the part of the National Company for Egypt to sterilize its aircraft in cooperation with teams Preventive medicine affiliated to Egypt Air, which included the cockpit, passenger compartment, corridors, seats, restrooms and plane stores, in addition to the fuselage from the outside as a precautionary measure to reduce Corona spread of the virus.

Egyptian airports have published posters to raise awareness of corona prevention methods and general guidelines for protection from the virus.

On March the 13th,

The Coptic Catholic Church issued a statement on church activities, gatherings, and seasons during the coming period.

The text of the statement said: "The whole world is going through difficult times at the health level, due to the outbreak of Corona virus in a number of countries, the injury of many people and the increasing number of deaths."

The statement said: "Therefore, everyone is required to be careful and to preserve the directives that help prevent the spread of the disease. This is the responsibility of all of us."

He added: "From this standpoint, the Fathers of the Patriarchal Synod sees the recommendation of all our churches not to hold ceremonies, excursions, Paschal revivals and dense gatherings until the outbreak of the crisis, while celebrating the Masses as usual, this matter stems from the reality of the Church's responsibility to protect the lives of all."

He continued: "The Synod Fathers believe that these times are a greater opportunity for families, to strengthen family ties and meditate together on the word of God and pray for the peace of our beloved homeland, Egypt and the world at large."

On march the 14th,

The Egyptian Prime Minister, Dr. Mostafa Madbouly, described the number of coronavirus infections in the country (109 cases) as "limited" when compared to its size worldwide.

And Madbouly, in a press conference, on Saturday, attributed the government's delay in taking immediate decisions towards dealing with the epidemic that "since we announced the first case in a long time, the injuries were very limited, but during this period the numbers began to increase, which obliged us to make quick and continuous decisions."

Madbouly pointed out that the government relies on a clear plan in the face of the Corona virus that depends on 3 stages, noting that "the availability of information about the presence of cases at more than one point, and in more than one place, is what obligated us to move according to the second stage (the emergence of the disease) to take the required measures To deal with these developments."

Madbouly was speaking during the conference to comment on the government's decision to suspend studies in schools and universities for two weeks, saying that education officials will take all necessary measures to sterilize all educational facilities during this period, to address this virus.

The president El-Sisi directed the suspension of studies in universities and schools for two weeks due to the Corona virus

Madbouly added: "We, as a government, take decisions on our part to protect our children. In return, citizens must take all necessary measures to protect their children from taking to the streets."

He also appealed to the Egyptian Prime Minister to "reduce departures to protect them" from the possibility of contracting the virus, pointing at the same time to the measures taken to establish prayers in mosques taken by the Minister of Awqaf, as well as the measures taken by the churches to prevent the spread of the disease.

For his part, Minister of Education Dr. Tariq Shawky said that there are only 7 students in separate areas out of the total number of people infected with the virus nationwide.

Shawky indicated that educational channels and the Ministry's website will be used through a special website to help students of some levels of education.

Egypt recorded two deaths from the disease, the first for a German citizen, and the second for an Egyptian woman living in the Dakahlia Governorate in the Egypt Delta.

The Coptic Orthodox Church has taken a number of precautions to prevent corona virus, especially after President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi’s decision to suspend the study for two weeks.

In a statement, the Church said, in solidarity with the President's directives to suspend study in schools and universities for health protection from the new COVID-19 virus, the Coptic Orthodox Church decided to work with a set of decisions for two weeks.

They explained that those decisions include the following:

1. Suspending all church education services of all ages.
2. Public and private sessions suspended.
3. Suspending all church activities that have gatherings such as (nurseries - rehabilitation centers - trips ... etc).
4. The suspension of the study in all theological institutes and colleges.

The statement added that it is possible to hold more than one daily service to avoid crowding, especially in occasions and holidays, taking care before going to the masses to ensure that there are no symptoms of high temperature or influenza, with each worshiper bringing their own tools (wrapping, water bottle and head cover for women).

In its statement, the Church indicated the necessity of observing the limit of handshaking as much as possible, stressing that it will continue to pray for God to protect Egypt and the countries of the whole world from all evil and save humanity from the danger of diseases and epidemics.

On March the 16th,

Egypt recorded 16 new cases to have a total of 126 infected cases, 34 has turned from positive to negative tests and 26 has completely healed from the virus.

On March the 17th,

Egypt recorded 30 new cases to have a total of 196 infected cases, 34 has turned from positive to negative tests and 26 has completely healed from the virus.

On March the 18th,

Egypt recorded 14 new cases to have a total of 210 infected cases, 40 has turned from positive to negative tests and 28 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 6 deaths.

Dr. Mustafa Madbouly, the Prime Minister, directed to suspend all sports and cultural activities to control the virus.

President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi announced the allocation of 100 billion pounds to finance the comprehensive plan to deal with the virus.

The Ministry of Awqaf prohibits mosques

The Egyptian Ministry of Endowments announced in a statement, that it banned its mosques, saying that they would limit mosque work to prayer and Friday sermon only, to no more than 15 minutes at the time of the sermon.

The ministry called to limit solace to funeral ceremonies without establishing parquets, in addition to restricting the invitation to weddings to families.

Aviation suspended until March 31

Dr. Mostafa Madbouly announced, last Monday, the suspension of air traffic in all Egyptian airports from the afternoon of next Thursday, until March 31.

Madbouly indicated that the measure comes as a proactive step to prevent the "Corona" outbreak in the country and to prevent disease.

Reducing the number of workers in the country

Madbouly, on March 16, 2020, issued a decision to reduce the number of workers in the country in government departments and agencies.

On March the 19th,

Egypt recorded 46 new cases to have a total of 256 infected cases, 42 has turned from positive to negative tests and 28 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 7 deaths.

On March the 20th,

Egypt recorded 29 new cases to have a total of 285 infected cases, 60 has turned from positive to negative tests and 39 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 8 deaths.

The Catholic Synod, the supreme body of the Coptic Catholic Church in Egypt, has announced the cessation of the prayers of the Divine Liturgy and all group prayers in order to prevent the spread of the new Covid 19 virus known as Corona

The Church said in a statement after a meeting of the Synod Fathers today: The churches will remain open for individual prayers only in order to preserve public health and in response to the requirements of the current stage and we will devote our prayers so that God may remove this epidemic from us and the families who lost their loved ones

The Synod stressed that the funeral prayers should be limited to the family of the deceased only, that all the parishioners remain in the home, each according to his circumstances and condition, noting that the Church Fathers are waiting for what will result from the current stage to decide what will be in the prayers of Holy Week and Easter

The church statement added: We pray for the doctors, the nursing personnel and all the volunteers, that God reward them for their hardship and protects them from all evil.

The Egyptian churches had immediately responded to the state's instructions and precautionary measures against the spread of the Covid 19 virus known as Corona, while the Orthodox Church suspended Sunday schools and church education services, the Catholic Church called for the closure of cafes and gathering places and the Evangelical Church prevented conferences and trips.

On March the 21st,

Egypt recorded 9 new cases to have a total of 294 infected cases, 73 has turned from positive to negative tests and 41 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 10 deaths.

The Standing Committee of the Holy Synod, chaired by His Holiness Pope Tawadros II, met this morning to discuss the latest developments on the issue of the outbreak of the Corona virus emerging, COVID-19, where the committee issued a statement, which reads: “In the framework of following up the exceptional situation that the world is going through these days, as well as The data released by the World Health Organization, which shows the rapid spread of the newly created virus COVID-19 in various countries of the world, including our dear country, Egypt, whose officials are doing their best to contain the epidemic, which is the biggest serious health crisis we have faced for hundreds of years.

The statement continued: "And since the gatherings represent the greatest danger that leads to the rapid spread of the virus, the Coptic Orthodox Church decided, out of its national and ecclesiastical responsibility, and in order to preserve all the people of Egypt:

1. Close all churches and stop ritual services, masses and activities.
2. Closure of mourning halls, and any funerals are limited to the family of the deceased only, provided that each parish allocates one church for funerals and prevents visits to all monasteries of nuns and nuns.

This decision is effective from Saturday, March 21 for a period of two weeks from its date, until further notice.

The statement concluded: “Recalling the Church by saying Jesus:“ Do not tempt the Lord your God ”(Matt 4: 7), appeals to the masses of Copts in Egypt and abroad not to be complacent about the present crisis, and to adhere to the measures announced by the responsible authorities, to contribute effectively to averting a catastrophe looming in Horizon, translated by the increasing number of people infected with the virus and the deceased in the world, it is not wise or honest to have a person cause infection in others or lost a loved one.

The Church calls on everyone to raise prayers and supplications in every location, trusting that their prayers will reach the hearts of the Almighty Lord and that he will long for us and lift this distress, and give healing, peace and tranquility to the whole world and blesses all efforts that are made to face this epidemic that threatens the whole world.

On March the 22nd,

Egypt recorded 33 new cases to have a total of 327 infected cases, 74 has turned from positive to negative tests and 56 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 14 deaths.

On March the 23rd,

Egypt recorded 39 new cases to have a total of 366 infected cases, 96 has turned from positive to negative tests and 68 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 19 deaths.

On March the 24th,

Egypt recorded 36 new cases to have a total of 402 infected cases, 100 has turned from positive to negative tests and 80 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 20 deaths.

Egyptian Prime Minister Mostafa Madbouly announced the imposition of a night curfew in the country from seven in the evening until six in the morning for a period of 15 days from Wednesday.

Ther Egyptian government decided to impose a night curfew from seven in the evening to six in the morning (17:00 to 4:00 GMT) for a period of 15 days starting from Wednesday, according to Prime Minister Mostafa Madbouly.

Madbouly announced in a press conference a set of new measures, all of which will be applied from Wednesday for a period of 15 days to reduce the outbreak of the Corona virus, most notably "the ban on the movement of citizens on all public roads from seven in the evening (19:00 GMT) until the next morning."

He added that it was also decided to "stop all public and private mass transportation during the same period." He continued that "starting from five o'clock in the evening (15:00 GMT) until the next morning, all the shops, crafts, and commercial centers that we call malls and service stores and selling goods will be closed with full closure on Friday and Saturday."

He explained that the latest decision "will not apply to bakeries, grocery stores and supermarkets outside commercial centers and pharmacies."

The Egyptian Prime Minister confirmed that "all cafes, cafeterias and nightclubs will be completely closed during this period (two weeks), and all restaurants will be closed, provided that work is limited to delivering orders to homes."

He said that government offices that provide services "real estate registration (real estate registration and legal agencies), civil registry, passports and building permits will be closed except for health offices."

Madbouly stressed that "the penalties stipulated in the emergency law will be applied to violators, which start with a fine of 4000 thousand pounds (approximately 670 dollars) and reach imprisonment."

He explained that "our plan is divided into 3 phases, the first stage was implemented when the number of injured was less than a hundred."

He pointed out that the second stage is the increase of the injured to hundreds, "and as soon as we reached these numbers, we started taking other measures aimed at saving the lives of Egyptian citizens."

He warned that if the number of injured reached one thousand, "there will be a rapid increase in numbers, which is the stage we hope to slow down to reach."

He stressed that if the disease progresses, "there are more severe decisions that we may make."

He added that "the directions issued to the Ministry of the Interior are to deal with all decisiveness and firmness with any violations."

Madbouly stressed that his government "takes all steps according to the development and spread of the epidemic in Egypt."

He explained that the government is imposing precautionary measures to gradually reduce the spread of Corona to realize the impact of these decisions on "job opportunities and the livelihood of so many people that we do not harm those who depend on their strength and their livelihood for irregular work."

Almost a third of Egyptians live around the poverty line, or about 30 million citizens. There are no official statistics for the number of daily and seasonal workers in Egypt, but they are estimated in millions.

After the press conference of the Prime Minister, Information Minister Osama Haikal announced the extension of the "suspension of air traffic for an additional 15 days" until the fifteenth of next April.

Cairo Airport Air Cargo Company continued its precautionary measures to deal with the Corona virus through a series of measures, which were magnified by its decision to reduce employment in the workplace by up to 50%.

The company sources told "The Seventh Day": "We are well aware that we are in difficult circumstances and in front of a unique case, and that we do not have clear signs of what is going on in the future. We have analyzed the current events that are going on around us, the latest of which was a statement from the Chairman of the Board of Directors." The Egyptian ministers suspend air traffic in all Egyptian airports, except cargo air traffic, starting from Thursday noon until March 31, 2020, in order to prevent the spread of the Corona virus.

The company has taken two sets of measures to limit the spread of the virus and secure all packages received or traveling and to ensure that they are free and even preserve them from any virus accessing them. All workers at all sites in the company have been alerted, especially those who deal directly with incoming and outgoing goods and those who hesitate to complete the release procedures The customs man exercise great care and caution while dealing with all these variables and influences, including:

Pay attention to where you work to reduce the risk of exposure to yourself and others.

- Let your manager know what is going on that might happen to the parcel trading operations and also what may happen to the dealers around you.

- Working to reduce the numbers of those who are supposed to be inside the administrative offices and inside the customs release arenas, because this will effectively reduce the risk of exposure and spread of viruses, as well as reduce meetings.

- Maintaining a safe distance of no less than six feet (about two meters) from people and each other.

- If you are sick or have any of the main symptoms associated with coronavirus, please notify your manager and stay home until you fully recover.

- If you are coming from outside the country, you should not come to the company's headquarters, and you should go after arriving in the homeland for a period not exceeding 24 hours, go to a hospital affiliated with the Ministry of Health and bring a certificate stating that you are free of the disease

Cancellation of all travel related to the travel of our employees, including conferences and training courses, internally and externally.

And take preventive measures that include clearing the places of hesitation and dealing with the use of disinfectants, appropriate sterilization means, protective gloves and masks.

We also provide hand disinfection units in all locations and we will increase their numbers according to the changes we see according to the developments.

With provision of temperature measuring devices to all employees and customers, suspects will be excluded and prevented from mixing with our employees to reduce the spread of the virus.

On March the 25th,

Egypt recorded 54 new cases to have a total of 456 infected cases, 113 has turned from positive to negative tests and 95 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 21 deaths.

On March the 26th,

Egypt recorded 39 new cases to have a total of 495 infected cases, 130 has turned from positive to negative tests and 102 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 24 deaths.

Dr. Mustafa Madbouly, Prime Minister, held today, Thursday, the first video conference meeting, confirming that this meeting gives a message that the government begins implementing the decisions to reduce gatherings and prevent mixing, especially in light of the availability of the infrastructure for digital transformation.

The Prime Minister said that the government is keen to follow up the implementation of President Abdel-Fattah El-Sisi’s decisions regarding confronting the new Corona virus, especially with regard to stimulating the national economy, and limiting the non-positive repercussions of this exceptional circumstance on the sectors.

The government meeting resulted in a set of important decisions in light of the measures taken by the state to confront the Corona virus, monitored by the "news" through the following points:

1- Giving paid leave to employees and workers who move from one governorate to another to reduce transportation and movement in order to prevent mixing

2- The speedy completion of scenarios for the Egyptian economy in light of the spread of the Corona virus worldwide

3- Forming a working group chaired by the Prime Minister, and the Minister of Planning will be the one for her with the aim of coordination regarding dealing with informal workers.

4- Confining the stranded in the different countries, grouping them, then coordinating with the various parties for their return to Egypt.

5- Applying the idea of ​​safe quarantine in some work sites for housing projects.

6- Spending about 4 billion pounds from the Ministry of Housing to the companies that deal with it so that it can pay the dues of its employees.

7- Extending the pension disbursement period over 12 days to relieve stress.

8- Implement an intensive campaign against the use of hookah so that citizens are not harmed.

9- Take care during the application of the ban not to affect the economic situation.

10- Providing supplies to citizens.

The musician Omar Khairat's concert, which was broadcast by the Ministry of Culture on its YouTube channel, within the electronic initiative offers, keep you at home .. Culture in your hands is a record for viewing to turn into the first trend on the site as well as on the social networking site Twitter.

On March the 27th,

Egypt recorded 41 new cases to have a total of 536 infected cases, 147 has turned from positive to negative tests and 116 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 30 deaths.

On March the 28th,

Egypt recorded 40 new cases to have a total of 576 infected cases, 161 has turned from positive to negative tests and 121 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 36 deaths.

Cleansing 54 thousand buildings in the governorates and closing 4255 violators

And the confiscation of shisha from 4748 restaurants

The closure of 4,000 educational centers and the abolition of 1,449 markets

Maj. Gen. Mahmoud Shaarawy, Minister of Local Development, received a report from the Ministry of Operations and Crisis Management regarding the follow-up of the governor’s efforts in implementing the decisions of the Prime Minister to prevent gatherings in governorates, cancel weekly markets, and close private and educational centers during the period of suspension of study in schools and universities to confront and address the Corona virus and preserve On the safety and health of citizens and achieving the highest levels of safety for them.

Shaarawi said that the report he received from the operating room indicated that the number of buildings that had been cleared and sterilized in the governorates of the Republic amounted to about 54,948 buildings. The report also referred to the number of commercial stores in violation of the Prime Minister's decision, and 4,257 shops were closed.

Major General Mahmoud Shaarawi added that the number of cafes, cafes and restaurants in which the shisha was confiscated amounted to about 4748, adding that the number of educational centers that were closed in the governorates amounted to about 4045.

The Minister of Local Development said that the number of markets that were canceled amounted to about 1449 markets, and 1,656 wedding halls were closed at the governorates level to violate the decisions issued.

Shaarawi called on the operations room to continue its follow-up to implement the decisions and directives of the Prime Minister regarding confronting the spread of the new Corona virus and continuous coordination with the operations room in the governorates.

In order for the government to lift the burden on their shoulders from the consequences of corona

Manpower Minister: 500 thousand irregular workers who have registered their data so far

Checking the registered data first-hand in preparation for caring for this category

The workforce demonstrates a method

Irregular employment registration

Muhammad Sa`fan, the Minister of Manpower, is monitoring, around the clock, daily, the registration of irregular employment through the electronic system on the ministry's website, which started a week ago, and until now, where 500 thousand irregular workers registered from all governorates.

The minister emphasized that the employment data that is being registered first-hand is being audited, in preparation for consideration of caring for this group to lift the burden on their shoulders in light of the exceptional circumstances that the country is going through, and what the irregular employment that does not secure fixed income suffers, in the context of great interest from The political leadership represented by President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi and the comprehensive state plan to protect irregular employment from any repercussions of the emerging Corona virus "Covid-19".

On March the 29th,

Egypt recorded 33 new cases to have a total of 609 infected cases, 182 has turned from positive to negative tests and 132 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 40 deaths.

Extending the suspension of gathering and groups in mosques, corners, prayer halls, etc. until the suspension bug is removed

Prof. Dr. / Mohamed Mokhtar Gomaa, Minister of Awqaf, stated that based on the decision to suspend the establishment of gatherings and groups and the closure of all mosques, corners and chapels completely temporarily within the framework of achieving the legitimate purposes of preserving the soul that Islam surrounded by many fences of preservation and protection.

On March the 30th,

Egypt recorded 47 new cases to have a total of 656 infected cases, 196 has turned from positive to negative tests and 150 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 41 deaths.

The Minister of Awqaf: The penalty for opening any mosque throughout the period of closure is to end the service directly

The Ministry of Awqaf confirms that all of its employees continue to completely suspend the gathering and groups and completely close the mosques until the closure bug is removed and the ministry announces this, warning all employees of the directorates of workers, imams, inspectors and leaders of any lax implementation, while mandating the general and local inspection to intensify follow-up.

Kabbaj, extend suspension of nursery activities for two weeks

Nevin Al-Kabbaj, Minister of Social Solidarity, issued a decision to extend the suspension of all activities related to nurseries in all governorates of the republic for another two weeks until April 15th, in line with the decisions issued by the Prime Minister to extend the suspension of work in schools and universities.

Within the continuation of the precautionary measures taken by the government to confront the "Corona emerging" virus, (Covid 19), museums and archaeological sites in the Arab Republic of Egypt will continue to be closed to the visit, in addition to the continued closure of all restaurants, night and health clubs and swimming pools in all hotels And suspending all events, parties and social events inside the Republic's hotels, until 15 April 2020.

During this period, sterilization and disinfection works will be completed for all museums, archaeological sites and hotels at the Republic level.

On March the 31st,

Egypt recorded 54 new cases to have a total of 710 infected cases, 205 has turned from positive to negative tests and 157 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 46 deaths.

The Minister of Awqaf ends the service of Hisham Nazmi Al-Sayed Hassan Kabir with the rank of General Director of the Directorate of Endowments in North Sinai

According to the memorandum of the North Sinai Endowment Directorate, which stated that Mr. Hisham Nazmy El Sayed Hassan Kabir, Director General of the North Sinai Endowment Directorate, authorized some of the people and allowed them to pray in the Safa and Marwa Mosque of the Bir El Abd Endowment Department. The aforementioned service, and instructed the North Sinai Endowment Directorate to make an official report against him on the incident.

The Ministry of Education and Technical Education has announced a schedule of experimental exams (without grades) for the first high school from April 5 to April 22, 2020.

The ministry added that exams will be available to students at their homes and on the tablet in the time period from nine in the morning until four in the afternoon according to the schedule, knowing that the exam can be performed from a tablet device or any computer or laptop connected to the Internet through Wi-Fi or a chip.

On April the 1st,

Egypt recorded 69 new cases to have a total of 779 infected cases, 221 has turned from positive to negative tests and 179 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 52 deaths.

Within the e-initiative offers, stay at home.. Culture is in your hands:

The Minister of Culture launches a series of lectures and awareness seminars online

Abdel Dayem: The lecture series deals with many aspects of life in the Egyptian society and aims to educate and raise awareness

Agriculture" pays mobile outlets to sell its products at reduced prices in different governorates

Mobile outlets for "protected crops" touring Qalyubia Governorate ... and "comprehensive development projects" outlets to support the people of Shalatin

The Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation has pushed, through mobile outlets, to villages and various governorates, in implementation of the directives of Mr. Al-Qassir, Minister of Agriculture and Land Reclamation, to contribute to the state’s plan to raise the burden on the citizens, especially in light of the current crisis and prevent overcrowding to prevent the Corona virus.

The General Administration of Protected Agriculture pushed three cars as mobile outlets loaded with vegetables and fruit products, legumes and dairy products, jams and honey, roaming the center and the city of Toukh, Qaliubiya Governorate.

On April the 2nd,

Egypt recorded 86 new cases to have a total of 865 infected cases, 282 has turned from positive to negative tests and 201 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 58 deaths.

During the day's cabinet meeting:

The Minister of Health reviews the situation against the "Corona" virus in Egypt

94% of the deceased were in the age group over 50. And 100% of the deceased were suffering from chronic diseases

The isolation and movement ban measures contributed to the stability of the numbers of injuries in the Red Sea and Luxor governorates

During the cabinet meeting today, headed by Dr. Mustafa Madbouly, Dr. Hala Zayed, Minister of Health and Population, reviewed the current situation in the face of the emerging "Corona virus" in Egypt.

The minister pointed out that the cases that transformed the results of her analysis from positive to negative amounted to 221 cases, while cases that recovered and exited from hospitals increased to 179 cases, while the Ministry of Health registered 69 new positive cases, bringing the total number of injured inside the country to 779 injured, As of yesterday evening, 6 new deaths were recorded, bringing the total number of deaths to 52.

The Prime Minister listened to a detailed explanation of the situation in Egypt, which revealed that Egypt is still in a safe and stable stage compared to other developed countries in which the epidemic has increased significantly.

According to the Minister, the most affected age group is the age group 50 to 59, accounting for 22% of all injuries, and 94% of the deceased were in the age group over 50, and 100% of the deceased were suffering from chronic diseases ( Kidney failure, arterial insufficiency, pressure diseases, diabetes) and oncology patients.

The minister added: "The percentage of males reached 61% of the total injured, while the proportion of females recorded 39%, and the injuries of children under ten years came at a rate of 2% of the total injuries," explaining that the average period of hospital stay from the time of entry until full recovery was 8 days.

Dr. Hala Zayed revealed that the new injuries that were recorded are due, in large part, to the arrivals to the country and those who mix with them, pointing out that the measures of isolation and banning the movement played a significant role in the stability of the numbers in some governorates such as the Red Sea and Luxor governorates, due to the stoppage The source of infection from the tourist groups, and that the villages that were isolated, have not appeared new cases to date.

The Prime Minister: We periodically follow up on the continued operation of factories and the transportation of goods to ensure that the wheel continues to rotate

Providing 1,000 cars as mobile clinics to provide integrated medical services at work and production sites

All basic commodities are available, and there are sufficient reserves and stocks until Eid Al-Adha

Adequate strategic stockpile of various petroleum products

An official letter from the World Bank praising the measures taken by Egypt in the education sector to face the crisis

On April the 3rd,

Egypt recorded 120 new cases to have a total of 985 infected cases, 296 has turned from positive to negative tests and 216 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 66 deaths.

Dr. Hala Al-Saeed, Minister of Planning and Economic Development participated at the African Ministerial Meeting on the Corona Crisis, known medically as "Covid 19", through video conference technology, as it comes to complement the conference held on March 19th for African ministers.

Dr. Hala Al-Saeed, Minister of Planning and Economic Development, during the meeting on the Egyptian state taking serious and quick steps and measures to confront the global crisis of Corona, explaining that Egypt has many plans and scenarios for each stage facing the state in light of the crisis.

Al-Saeed added that Egypt places the principle of humanity a top priority in light of these precautionary measures taken and in the following scenarios once the state is compelled to implement it, indicating the state’s interest in Egyptian labor, which stresses the sovereignty of President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, the necessity of observing it always, in addition to the Egyptian expatriates abroad who want to return to their homeland.

Al-Saeed added that, despite this crisis and most countries resorting to reducing their budgets, Egypt is heading completely in another direction by increasing its budget, which reflects the success of the economic reform approach adopted by the Egyptian state in the last period, which contributed to confronting it to face this current crisis.

Dr. reviewed. Hala Al-Saeed, Minister of Planning and Economic Development, is the most prominent precautionary measure taken by Egypt to confront the emerging crisis of the Corona virus.

Al-Saeed explained that the system of digital transformation and automation in which the state was able to take large strides in it greatly helped in addressing the current global crisis and facilitating many services for citizens without having to resort to the headquarters of the providers of those services in implementation of calls to avoid gatherings and curfews taken by the state.

Al-Saeed pointed to the precautionary measures taken by the government to face the crisis in the budget for the fiscal year 2020/2021, where 36 billion pounds were allocated for the new budget project for initiatives to support the sectors of health, education and social solidarity, as well as increasing the budget of the health sector and university hospitals by a rate close to 100% for university hospitals and 70 % For the health sector for the fiscal year 2020/2001, compared to the budget for the current fiscal year 2019/2020.

Al-Saeed drew attention to the most prominent presidential decisions to confront the Corona crisis, pointing to the management of 100 billion pounds through the general reserves of the state devoted to dealing with exceptional circumstances.

And she followed d. Hala Al-Saeed talked about the decisions taken to confront the crisis, referring to the decision of the President of the Republic to pay a periodic premium to pensioners by 14%, to improve their financial and living conditions, and Al-Saeed pointed out to agree to include the five allowances of pensioners at 80% of the basic wage.

Al-Saeed also talked about the government's rapid measures to face the crisis, represented by the Prime Minister issuing several decisions that included making available 3.8 billion pounds as urgent cash amounts to support the health sector in the country to face the Corona crisis during the current month of March, and he added that 2.6 billion pounds had been procured and made available to the Ministry of Health, And 427 million pounds for its affiliated entities from public and central hospitals, specialized medical centers and mental health hospitals, as well as 738.5 million pounds for university hospitals and Al-Azhar University hospitals, in addition to the announcement by the President of the Republic that the medical profession allowance has increased by 75% recently.

Within the framework of the state’s keenness to provide the country's needs of strategic basic commodities, Al-Saeed said that urgent allocations of 8.7 billion pounds have been approved for commodity and service organizations in January and February, in addition to approving 4 billion pounds in provisions for the Supply Commodities Authority to meet the needs of citizens with food commodities The base during the month of March, with the allocation of 15 billion pounds to finance the purchase of local wheat from farmers during the next April, and the availability of 187.6 million pounds immediately after the crisis, including 153.5 million pounds to purchase raw materials and supplies to counter the spread of the virus, and 34.1 million pounds rewards It is intended for quarantine workers and isolation hospitals, in addition to allocating an additional 200 million pounds in the plan of the Ministry of Health and Population for the current fiscal year 2019/2020.

University hospitals reassure Egyptians and reveal their capabilities to tackle the Corona virus

In light of the rapid spread of Corona virus emerging in the countries of the world, university hospitals announced the lifting of the state of emergency and maximum preparedness to confront this virus, which threatens the lives of millions, and it became necessary for the state institutions to join hands to face this crisis.

What are the capabilities of university hospitals to cope with the Corona virus?

● 35,825 beds

3959 intensive care beds

431 beds in intensive care for children

● 3754 ventilators

● 838 nurseries

So, what is the total manpower in university hospitals, to counter the Coronavirus?

1524 specialty anesthesia and intensive care

● 460 chest diseases specialty

● 401 specialization in endemic diseases

● 846 specialty analyzes

● 768 diagnostic radiology specialties

For a total of doctors: 3999 doctors

On April the 4th,

Egypt recorded 85 new cases to have a total of 1070 infected cases, 306 has turned from positive to negative tests and 241 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 71 deaths.

In coordination and under the supervision of the Hotel Establishments Chamber, this morning, a hotel overlooking the sea in the tourist city of Marsa Alam received a delegation of 293 people and 13 infants from the Egyptians returning from Washington DC, USA, to spend a 14-day quarantine period for them.

During the next two days, another hotel in the city will receive another delegation of Egyptians returning from the United States of America.

Endowments: There is no room for holding public breakfast tables this year. Cash and food commodities are first and most beneficial to the poor

The Ministry of Endowments stresses that it will not allow any party to set up tables in the vicinity of mosques or any attachments affiliated with it this year, and stresses to all philanthropists, righteous committees, societies, and bodies that used to hold breakfast tables in the Holy Month to initiate such cash or food commodities for the poor and needy before entering Blessed month

Within the framework of the efforts of the Ministry of Environment to limit the spread of the new Corona virus:

Environment: Inspection of 93 hospitals, medical centers and laboratories during the past 48 hours

Yasmine Fouad stresses that the Ministry follows strict control measures on all possible sources of the spread of the virus and calls on citizens to adhere to and follow instructions and methods of prevention.

To ensure the quality of health care products circulating in the local market

Operating the laboratories of the Chemistry Department at their maximum capacity to meet the increasing demand for testing the quality of protective products to ensure their conformity with Egyptian and international standards.

Mr. Magdy Fahmy: The Authority receives daily more than 500 samples of disinfectants, detergents, and alcohol and face masks

On April the 5th,

Egypt recorded 103 new cases to have a total of 1173 infected cases, 346 has turned from positive to negative tests and 247 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 78 deaths.

In a report from the Minister of Local Development:

The Prime Minister is following up the implementation of the decisions issued on the precautionary and preventive measures to confront the new Corona virus

Dr. Mustafa Madbouly, Prime Minister, in a report from Major General Mahmoud Shaarawi, Minister of Local Development, continued to implement the decisions issued on several precautionary and preventive measures to counter the emerging COVID-19 virus in light of the President’s directives to preserve public health and work to limit the spread The virus.

The report, which dealt with the measures taken until the end of March 2020, indicated that the governorates at the republic level witnessed the purification and sterilization of about 77 thousand buildings, which include government departments, places of worship, schools, public streets, and gathering places, in order to preserve the health and safety of citizens.

The report added that within the framework of strict application of the curfew measures and the continuation of follow-up efforts to limit the spread of the new Corona virus, the period referred to has witnessed the closure of about 5 thousand commercial stores that violate the opening and closing times, and the confiscation of "shisha" in about 7 thousand cafes and cafeterias, before It was completely closed, along with the closure of about 7,000 educational centers, the elimination of 2,166 popular markets, and the closure of 2,374 clubs and wedding halls.

The report revealed that the most governorates that witnessed intensification of the disinfection and sterilization of buildings are Menoufia, Dakahlia, Sharkia, Qena, Minya, and the New Valley, and Dakahlia came as the highest provinces in terms of closing the violating shops, while West, East and Kafr El-Sheikh ranked the highest provinces in terms of closing centers Educational violating, and the governorates of Menoufia and Kafr El-Sheikh in terms of the number of closed wedding halls and violating clubs.

Higher Education "launches" Stay Ready "initiative for franchise doctors and medical school students to tackle the Corona virus (video). Franchise doctors and medical school students: ready to help the White Army eliminate the Corona virus

The Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research announces the launch of the "Stay Ready" initiative, for franchise doctors and medical school students in Egyptian universities, to form a second line of defense for the White Army, to counter the emerging Corona virus, and to be ready for any mandate to support the health sector, and to support the state in eliminating This pandemic has spread to many countries of the world.

Many medical colleges have started to implement the initiative by training a number of franchise doctors and volunteer final-year students on how to deal with patients with the Corona virus, after providing all safety and prevention tools to students, and providing practical explanations from medical school professors in various disciplines, on how to isolate Cases of suspected infection with the virus, how to isolate them at home in a safe manner, training on methods of prevention and preventing transmission between patients and members of the medical team inside hospitals, and how to withdraw the sample from the patient for analysis in the laboratory in a proper way, as well as training in the use of ventilators.

The students stressed that they volunteered in this initiative to serve their country, and to help treat patients if they were needed, noting that the practical training they received contributed greatly to their willingness to participate as a second line of defense with the White Army to counter the spread of the Corona virus.

On April the 6th,

Egypt recorded 149 new cases to have a total of 1322 infected cases, 396 has turned from positive to negative tests and 259 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 85 deaths.

The Finance Minister meets via video conference technology with a group of businessmen to discuss the repercussions of the Corona crisis

Dr. Moait promises to study all proposals of the business community to support Egyptian industries and exports. The Minister agrees to exchange the full dues of the exporting companies up to 5 million pounds with the Export Development Fund. All exporters are excluded from submitting a tax position certificate to pay their dues with government agencies until the end of June

The Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research is visiting the university cities and hospitals to ensure their readiness as part of the emergency plan to combat the Corona virus

Within the directives of the President of the Republic, the need to take all precautions and preventive measures against the new Corona virus, and to prepare and rehabilitate university cities to receive Corona virus patients in case of need, and to ensure that all means of protection are followed for medical personnel and all employees of university hospitals, Dr. Khaled Abdel Ghaffar, Minister of Higher Education The scientific research on Monday morning inspected many university facilities and hospitals in Ain Shams and Cairo Universities, to determine the extent of their readiness and ensure that all precautionary and preventive measures are taken that guarantee the safety of medical teams and all University hospital staff, and follow-up of the ongoing sterilization and disinfection operations.

On April the 7th,

Egypt recorded 128 new cases to have a total of 1450 infected cases, 427 has turned from positive to negative tests and 276 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 94 deaths.

Minister of Planning: 3.8 billion pounds in additional investments for the health sector during the past month to face the emerging crisis of the Corona virus. The more economically sound the economy, the faster its ability to recover. The agriculture sector is one of the highly resilient sectors and can stand in the face of crises and be reliable in self-sufficiency in food, in addition to the possibility of exporting its products abroad.

Dr. Hala Al-Saeed, Minister of Planning and Economic Development, said that the Corona crisis is an unprecedented crisis globally, as the world has gone through many crises such as the global financial crisis in 2008 and before the Great Depression in 1929, stressing that the Corona crisis is more severe than them because of its very great repercussions; it is not It affects a sector on its own, but it greatly affects all productive sectors, as it affected the health sector, causing it to stop the wheel of production at the level of countries to start in China, which represents about 20% of the global economy and the volume of global trade to spread from them to all countries of the world, explaining that they have caused Well in time Production on the movement of the world level of supply and demand side.

Al-Saeed added that the depth of the crisis is very severe as the situation is currently characterized by uncertainty, explaining that international institutions are reviewing their expectations for their own growth rates as they reduce their growth rates from 2 to 2.5%, in addition to the loss in a number of jobs estimated at 50 million globally. Within the framework of the continuous follow-up by the Ministry of Local Development to the governorates efforts to implement the precautionary and preventive measures issued by the Prime Minister to confront the emerging Corona virus.

Major General Mahmoud Shaarawy, Minister of Local Development, received a report from the Central Administration for Citizen Service at the Ministry regarding the efforts of the "Voice of the Audience" initiative to resolve citizens' complaints regarding the implementation of cabinet decisions to confront the virus, the most important of which is stopping the provision of hookahs in restaurants, cafes and cafes and closing them at the dates announced by the master The Prime Minister, in addition to closing private and educational lessons centers and nurseries and not establishing markets.

The Minister of Local Development announced that the number of complaints received by the "Your Voice is heard" initiative increased to 1747 complaints from citizens in all governorates through the announced means of communication via WhatsApp, Facebook, e-mail and the hotline, with a total of 636 new complaints within a week.

Sharawawi said that among those complaints, 14 complaints of gatherings of citizens and non-compliance with cabinet decisions, 165 complaints of not closing cafes, 39 complaints of wedding halls, 68 complaints about restaurants, and 182 complaints that some shops raise prices for a number of basic commodities, and 76 complaints To establish markets, and 8 complaints of not closing mosques in implementation of the Ministry of Awqaf’s decision.

The minister said that the rate of decrease in the number of complaints last week indicates the citizens ’understanding, response, and keenness to implement the decisions taken by the state to preserve their lives and their safety.

Endowments: Suspending all collective matters in Ramadan

In view of the increasing spread of the Corona virus globally and as a precautionary measure, the Ministry of Endowments decided to suspend all collective activities and activities during Ramadan, as it previously decided to prohibit the establishment of tables in the vicinity of mosques or their attachments, and stresses the prohibition of any mass breakfast operations in the Ministry or the Endowment Authority or the national group of the Ministry and all entities affiliated with the Ministry.

The Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs also addressed the competent authority of the Ministry of Interior and the Cairo Governorate regarding the failure to hold the Islamic Thought Forum in the Imam Hussein Mosque Square (may God be pleased with him) this year, as well as any public gatherings in any of the directorates in the holy month.

With our affirmation of all the endowments directorates that there is absolutely no room for any arrangements related to i'tikaaf this year, that the opening of mosques will not take place primarily unless any new positive cases are recorded, and the Ministry of Health assures that life returns to normal and that gatherings and groups no longer constitute any danger On spreading infection with corona virus.

Dr. Mustafa Madbouly, Prime Minister, held a meeting today with Hisham Tawfiq, Minister of Business Sector.

The minister reviewed efforts to implement the recommendations of the Ministerial Committee for Cotton, particularly with regard to the new system for cotton trade, which was started to be implemented experimentally in the governorates of Fayoum and Beni Suef and achieved good results, contributed to improving the cotton circulation system, especially since that system took into account all the details and problems that It negatively affected the quality of the cotton during collection and packaging. Tawfiq added that the report on evaluating the experience in Fayoum and Beni Suef had recommended that the application be generalized during the cotton season in 2020.

With regard to the gin development system, the Minister of Business Sector indicated that there are 3 gin plants that are being developed, and will enter service at the end of the summer of 2020, to be added to the Fayoum gin, which has been developed and modernized according to the latest global systems.

The Prime Minister chairs the meeting of the Higher Committee to Manage the New Corona Virus Crisis

Madbouly praises the efforts of the armed forces, which were reviewed today in cooperation with the relevant ministries, to combat the virus. The Minister of Health: 91% of the first 1,000 infected cases received medical care in regular hospital rooms. Statistics indicate that 88% of the affected cases have simple symptoms. The Minister of Higher Education displays the preparations of university hospitals to participate in facing the "Corona" virus and university efforts to manufacture respirators

The Minister of Supply confirms the availability of sufficient commodity stocks and calls on citizens not to store any commodities: There is no reason for this. Rest assured

The committee asks the media and social media users to adhere to the official data and not to mention the names of the injured or details about them.

On April the 8th,

Egypt recorded 110 new cases to have a total of 1560 infected cases, 439 has turned from positive to negative tests and 305 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 103 deaths.

Prime Minister Dr. Mustafa Madbouly announced the continuation of the decisions on curfews and the implementation of the measures previously announced for an additional two weeks, with the suspension of air traffic, the closure of schools and universities, and the reduction of the workforce

During a press conference after the cabinet meeting, Madbouli announced a one-hour delay in the start of the daily ban, so that the hours of the ban would begin at eight in the evening instead of seven in the evening, and the Cabinet’s decision to deduct 20% of the salary of all members of the Council for a period of 3 months in support of the Employment Grant Initiative The regular and the Long Live Egypt Fund, in response to the President's call for Egyptians to participate in supporting the Irregular Employment Grant Initiative.

These are the most prominent statements of Madbouly during the conference: -

* The curfew continues for another two weeks until April 23, with the Ministry of Interior mandated to abide by the curfew at 8:00 pm without excuses for those who fail to implement the decision.
* We send a greeting of thanks and appreciation to all state institutions and their efforts in combating the new Corona virus.
* The armed forces always stand beside the citizens to protect it from inside and outside.
* Egypt is still within the safe borders to control the disease due to the preemptive and preventive measures taken by the state
* There must be a strong commitment in the coming stage to limit the further spread of the virus.
* The most important criterion is the citizen’s commitment to implement all measures taken by the state.
* Until this moment, we are close to the scenarios that we expected from the beginning to the average number of injuries.
* We pray that we do not reach the dangerous stages that countries around the world have reached.
* We count on citizens continuing to abide by the state’s measures to get out of the difficult situation the world is facing with minimal loss of lives and economic losses.
* Were it not for the state’s economic reform measures, we would not be able to withstand the negative measures of the Coronavirus.
* The crisis committee recommended that the same ban measures previously taken for two weeks be continued.
* The next two weeks will witness religious events for Christians and Muslims, and we assure them of the need to avoid gatherings and crowds.
* The coming period will witness more decisions and procedures for sterilization and disinfection.

To counteract the Corona virus

The Ministry of Public Business Sector: Increasing the production of antiseptic and ethyl alcohol drug companies

Business Sector: Production of 95 thousand packages of 70% ethyl alcohol and 4 tons of antiseptics daily

Within the framework of the directives of Mr. Hisham Tawfiq, Minister of General Business Sector of the Holding Company for Medicines, to increase the production of subsidiaries from antiseptics and ethyl alcohol to ensure the availability of these products in the market in quantities and prices and to meet the needs of citizens within the preventive measures in the face of the emerging corona virus.

The subsidiary pharmaceutical companies (Nile - Arabia - El Nasr - Memphis) increased the production of antiseptics to 4 tons per day in packages from 60 ml to 4 liters, and from ethyl alcohol a concentration of 70%, the production was raised to 75 thousand packages per day, capacity 110-200 Milli (for personal use) in addition to 20 thousand bottles of 1 liter.

This comes within the framework of supporting the state's efforts in confronting the Corona virus and limiting its spread, and facing the unjustified rise that the market witnessed recently in the prices of antiseptics and alcohol as a result of some exploitation of the current situation and the increasing demand for it.

On April the 9th,

Egypt recorded 139 new cases to have a total of 1699 infected cases, 468 has turned from positive to negative tests and 348 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 118 deaths.

The end of the service of a mosque muezzin and the cancellation of the preaching of a preacher of a reward for the endowments of Menoufia for violating the instructions for closing mosques

According to the Memorandum of the Menoufia Endowments Directorate, which stated that the muezzin / Ahmed Mohamed Mohamed Ragab gave the keys to the Sidi Ali Abu El Nour Mosque in the Menouf Center in the Menoufia Governorate to his brother / Mohamed Mohamed Mohamed Ragab Khatib, a reward who started to conduct a lesson to revive the half-night of Shaaban after Maghrib prayer on Tuesday 7/4/2020 His Excellency Dr. Muhammad Mukhtar Jumaa, Minister of Awqaf, ended the mentioned muezzin’s service and canceled the preacher’s speech.

With our assertion that the ministry will end the service of anyone who violates the instructions for closing mosques immediately and without hesitation in light of the exceptional circumstances in which the whole world lives, and in light of the Egyptian Dar al-Ifta’s and other religious institutions affirming the prohibition of violating the endowment instructions in that, and the prohibition of insisting on establishing the group in The mosque, in light of the current circumstances in which the whole world emphasizes the danger of mixing with the human soul.

The Ministry of Awqaf also emphasizes several things:

1. The need for the mosque to be completely closed from the inside while raising the call to prayer.

2. Responding to the instructions of all state institutions is a legitimate, national and humanitarian duty.

3. That there is no place in the Ministry for affiliates or those absent from reality.

4. It is serious about ending the service of anyone who violates its instructions regarding the complete closure of mosques within the period specified by the competent authority.

Convert fifty million pounds for the benefit of those affected by the effects of the Coronavirus

On April the 10th,

Egypt recorded 95 new cases to have a total of 1794 infected cases, 505 has turned from positive to negative tests and 384 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 135 deaths.

The Egyptian company for the management and operation of the metro continued the work of continuous and periodic sterilization and disinfection for all stations and trains, broadcasting awareness messages through the internal radio stations about the virus, its symptoms and ways to prevent it, and the continued wear of workers from those dealing with the public and those who purify and sterilized the muzzles.

The environment: Inspection of 404 medical facilities so far ... and the monitoring of 456 points of accumulation of waste in a number of Cairo and Giza neighborhoods and the immediate handling of them.

Yasmin Fouad: We raised approximately 46,617 tons of waste in a week for safe disposal in the governorates of the National Waste Program

Within the framework of the Ministry of Environment’s efforts to limit the spread of the new Corona virus to preserve the health and safety of citizens, the Ministry’s teams and committees from the regional branches and the Environmental Inspection Department passed through this week 268 medical facilities in a number of governorates, including hospitals, centers, and medical laboratories, so that the total medical facilities that were completed 404 facilities are visited by it, to find out the mechanisms for safe handling of medical waste and disposal of those facilities first and not overcrowded, and to ensure that the medical waste collection room complies with the requirements, and the commitment of health facility workers to the correct handling of medical waste Prevention of wear missions for their own safety, follow-up to avoid any observations and are monitored in coordination with the directorates of health officials and university hospitals.

The Waste Regulatory and Management Authority of the Ministry of Environment has intensified its work in controlling the Cairo and Giza dumps to reduce the potential pollution that may result from them, as daily passage has been made on the dumps of Katameya, fulfillment and hope, sand bricks, and Shabramant, and the stability of the conditions in them and the follow-up of the covering operations.

The Minister of the Environment also directed, in an urgent procedure, to allocate a burial cell for the waste of the village of Al-Moatamdia in the Shabramant landfill to ensure the safe disposal of it and the non-spread of infection that was placed under quarantine to limit the spread of infection with the Corona virus, which is emerging in it.

This comes within the field monitoring of the system for safe disposal of municipal solid waste and medical waste and the reduction of pollution hotspots.

The president stresses the utmost protection for workers

Workforce: inspection of 2031 facilities to follow up

Precautionary measures to confront "Corona"

The Minister of Manpower, Muhammad Sa`fan, through the permanent operations room, which is formed in the Ministry’s general office and all manpower directorates, at the 27 governorates level, is following closely the precautionary measures applied by factories, companies and establishments to protect employment, as well as following personal protection measures from masks and gloves, and that Through labor, safety and occupational health inspectors.

Reports from the directorates showed that 2031 factories, companies and establishments were inspected and followed up on the precautionary measures at the governorate level, which President Abdel-Fattah Al-Sisi stressed on the necessity of taking the highest levels of protection to protect workers in the face of the emerging Corona virus "Covid 19".

Al Sharqia Governorate came in the forefront of the governorates by inspecting 222 establishments, Giza 178 establishments, Beheira 141 establishments, Dakahlia 125 establishments, Sohag 124 establishments, Alexandria 123 establishments, Qalubiya 120 establishments, South Sinai 115 facilities, Damietta 107 installations, Gharbia 100 establishments, and Minya 77 establishments , Kafr Sikhs 73 establishments, Menoufia 55 establishments, and the rest of the provinces less than 50 establishments.

Reports also showed that some companies give paid leave for a period of 15 days, and others organize work with a system of rotation between workers to each other to reduce the gatherings of workers, as well as the facilities entrusted workers with them to work electronically from home.

On April the 11th,

Egypt recorded 145 new cases to have a total of 1939 infected cases, 542 has turned from positive to negative tests and 426 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 146 deaths.

The Minister of Local Development is following up the Governor of Al Gharbia and his deputy, setting quick solutions to the problem of hygiene and waste accumulations and implementing the decisions of the Prime Minister to limit the spread of Coronavirus

The Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research announces the ISESCO Prize for tackling Corona virus

Dr. announced Khaled Abdel Ghaffar, Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Chairman of the Egyptian National Commission for Education, Science and Culture (UNESCO - ALCO - ISESCO), on the launch of the Islamic World Organization (ISESCO) ISESCO Prize to tackle the emerging corona virus (Covid - 19).

The organization explained that the prize value is $ 200,000, with the award of the ISESCO medal to the winner.

The organization set several conditions for applicants to obtain the award, including that the independent researcher or a group of researchers or research institution, who is authorized to discover a treatment or a vaccine against the emerging coronavirus, must send its complete file to the committee secretariat.

On April the 12th,

Egypt recorded 126 new cases to have a total of 2065 infected cases, 589 has turned from positive to negative tests and 447 has completely healed from the virus with a total of 159 deaths.

In a clear indication of the Egyptian economy's resilience to crises and emergency changes, international expectations and estimates for 2020 indicate the ability of the Egyptian economy to achieve the highest growth rates in the region and its cohesion in the face of the repercussions of the Corona virus crisis, which negatively affected the global economy, thanks to the economic reform policies adopted by the state Over the past four years, as well as the extraordinary measures and measures taken to counter this crisis.

In this regard, the Media Center of the Council of Ministers, Info Info, published a paper that highlighted the expectations of international institutions for the economic growth rates of the countries of the Middle East and North Africa after the Corona crisis.

The InfoGraph highlighted the Fitch's view of the Egyptian economy, which expected it to continue to achieve the highest growth rate in the region for the year 2020 despite the Corona crisis, reaching 4.1% during the crisis - knowing that the government is targeting a growth rate of 4.2% - after it was expected according The agency has to reach 5.6% before the crisis, followed by Tunisia with a growth rate of 0.9% during the Corona crisis, after "Fitch" expected to reach 1.9% before the crisis, then Saudi Arabia with a growth rate of 0.8% during the crisis, and it was expected to reach 1.7% before The crisis, and Jordan with a growth rate of 0.4%, during the crisis, after it was expected to reach 2.8% before the crisis, and Oman with a growth rate of 0.3% during the crisis, after it was That signed up to 1.1% before the crisis.

Minister of Public Business Sector: operating 3 developed cotton gin at the end of 2020 ... and 3 more next year

The new system of cotton trade has achieved good results .. and circulated throughout the Republic the new season

The development of gin and circulation system raises the quality and price of Egyptian cotton and its exports

Mr. Hisham Tawfiq, Minister of Public Business Sector, affirmed that the Ministry started implementing an integrated system for the advancement of the Egyptian cotton in coordination with the ministries of Agriculture, Trade and Industry to improve the quality of Egyptian cotton, maintain global confidence in it and open new markets to its exports, thereby contributing to placing the Egyptian cotton logo in the appropriate position It is considered as the most important and finest species in the world.

He explained that the development of cotton gins has started in accordance with the latest international systems to ensure the production of cotton free of impurities, stressing that disposal of pollutants represents the most important challenges facing Egyptian cotton, in addition to developing a cotton circulation system to overcome the negatives of the current system and restore the reputation and standing of Egyptian cotton globally.

Agriculture: It disinfects more than 20,000 government installations free of charge to prevent corona virus.

The Live Egypt Fund provides 10 tons of food and 2.5 tons of meat to the residents of the village of Al-Moatamdia in a quarantine

The Executive Director of the Fund: We coordinate with the government and civil society to make good use of the available resources

Tahia Misr Fund provided a convoy loaded with 10 tons of food and 2.5 tons of meat to the village of Al-Moatamdia in Giza Governorate, which is currently under quarantine, to take care of the villagers during the quarantine period.

From all Catholic Community Research Unit team in Cairo, we are praying for the whole world to see an end to this pandemic situation, for God to have mercy on his creations, for the people around the world to never lose faith and for the beloved Egyptian people to get over this struggle with strength.

May you all be safe!