

42,469 recoveries, 3,415 cases

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Bahrain yesterday reported yet another COVID-19 death, a 56-year-old expatriate man, raising the total number of casualties in the Kingdom's coronavirus battle to 168.

Kingdom's ministry of health announced the death on its Twitter account, without disclosing any further details.

The officials on the Twitter handle also wrote condolences to the family of the deceased.

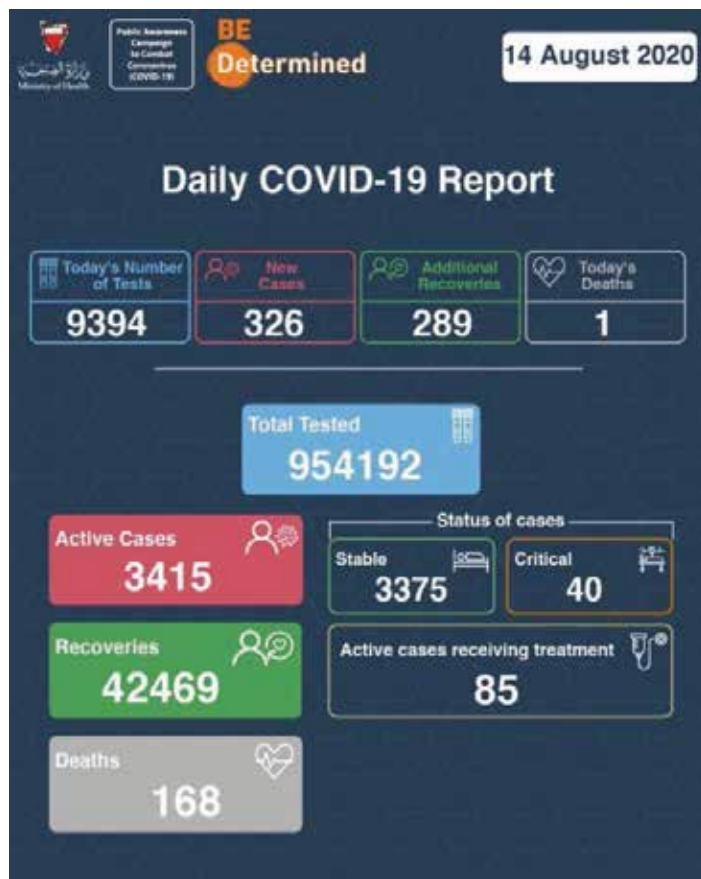
There are currently 85 COVID-19 patients in the Kingdom receiving treatment, out of which 40 patients are in a critical condition, Health Ministry said.

As of yesterday, there are 3,415 active coronavirus patients in the Kingdom, of which 3,375 patients are in a stable health condition.

Health ministry further tweeted that it carried out 9,394 COVID-19 tests yesterday to raise the number of tests conducted in the Kingdom after detecting it first case in February to 954,192.

Some 326 new patients were detected yesterday, the ministry said adding that 143 of them were expatriates workers, 182 were contacts of active cases, and one is travel related.

The ministry also announced 289 new recoveries yesterday increasing the total number of people cured of their infection



in the Kingdom to 42,469.

Through contact tracing, the Ministry of Health confirmed 2,750 COVID-19 cases this week, which includes 1,611 Bahrainis and 1,139 expatriates.

Some 1,068 of the week's cases were close contacts of active Coronavirus cases.

contact tracing

The ministry's contract trac-

ing page further said it found a total of 711 positive cases in tests conducted after developing symptoms.

In one such case, a 39-year-old Bahraini woman, who tested positive after developing symptoms, emerged contracting the virus to 11 others in four households, all of whom were immediate and extended family members.

In a similar case, a 22-year-old Bahraini man produced a cluster of 21 cases, all of whom were expatriates who work together. Twelve of the cases were living in the same accommodation.

In yet another case, a 55-year-old Bahraini woman, tested positive after developing symptoms, was linked to 11 family-related positive cases from 4 different households, of which two people were over 80-years of age.

A total of 9 cases had direct contact with the index case, while two were secondary infections.

Random community screening conducted this week found that an 11-year-old Bahraini girl infected with the virus was linked to 8 additional positive cases from 5 households, all of whom were family members having direct contact with her at a family Eid gathering. The cluster includes the index's grandmother, aunts, uncles, and other relatives.

In another incident, the minister, through contact tracing app, detected 19 cases from 9 households linked to an Eid gathering when a 41-year-old male citizen tested positive after developing symptoms.

Testing conducted last week also detected the infection in a 15-person family household after a 26-year-old expatriate woman linked to the family tested positive. The cases include both immediate and extended family members.

A memorable virtual mushaira



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Majlis-E-Fakher-E-Bahrain organised a virtual poetry session or mushaira with the participation over 1200 enthusiasts from all over the world amid the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The session, which maintained the ambience of classical Mushaira gatherings, was held under the patronage of Shakeel Ahmad Sabrahadi and presided by Dr Nusrat Mahdi, an eminent poet from MP India.

Mushaira is a poetic symposium, where poets gather to perform their works, greatly admired by participants as a platform for free self-expres-

A prominent scholar of Arabic language and literature, Dr Shueb Nigrami was the chief guest.

Some of the fine Urdu poets, who attended and recited their verses were: Ajmal Siraj, a well-known Urdu poet from Karachi (Pakistan), Shakeel Azmi (India), Aziz Nabil (Qatar), Afzal Khan (Pakistan), Alok Siriwastaw (India), Suhail Saqib, Shiraz Mahdi Zia and Ghazala Kamrani from Saudi Arab, Ahmad Adil, Rukhsar Nazim Abadi, Ahmad Amir Pasha, Saeed Sadi and Sad Iqbal from Bahrain.

This memorable poetical session was moderated by Aziz Nabil and Khurram Abbasi.

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