

Update 9: Afghanistan - US Embassy Announces to Suspend Visa Operations, Effective June 13, 2021 Amid Third Wave of COVID-19 Pandemic

- The US diplomatic mission in Afghanistan will suspend visa operations at the embassy's consular section
- The decision will be effective from June 13, 2021 as the third wave of the COVID-19 is intensifying across the country
- Those who have scheduled appointments will be able to reschedule as soon as visa operations resume
- However, the US government will continue to support efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 in Afghanistan
- Reported COVID-19 stats for Afghanistan:
 1. Confirmed Cases: 89,861
 2. Deaths: 3,527 (3.9%)
 3. Recoveries: 60,939 (67.8%)
 4. Vaccine Doses Administered: 641,295
 5. Fully Vaccinated: 158,343 (0.49%)
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments

Source(s)

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Targets Affected:

[Afghanistan](#)

Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

Guidance

Actions to consider:

- Consider implementing more detailed actions related to ['Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths'](#) under the ['COVID-19: Actions to Consider'](#) section below / next page

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Update 8: Afghanistan - Health Ministry Warns of Third Wave of COVID-19 Infection to take Peak in Ten Days

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Feb. 26, 2021

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Update 6: Afghanistan - Reports H5N8 Bird Flu in Poultry Farm, amid Ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic

Nov. 27, 2020

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Update 5: Afghanistan - Reports 226 New COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 45,716

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Update 4: Afghanistan - Reports 542 New COVID-19 Cases, Totaling 9,216; Eases Few Lockdown Measures

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Update 3: Afghanistan - Multiple Deadly Attacks Seriously Impact the COVID-19 Pandemic Response

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Update 2: Afghanistan - Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Increase to 2,704; Surge is Anticipated

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Update 1: Afghanistan - Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Exceed 1,000

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Afghanistan - Reports 56 New COVID-19 Cases, Taking Total to 423

Impact level Definitions

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Immediate	Certain - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	Possible in the long-term (after 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.