

General Information Source Sheet for Afghanistan

Check out [this google sheet](#) for all sources to look at including national/ sub national policies. The google sheet also has links to the timeline, country overview and data tracker sheet.

It is useful to use the timeline sheet, to keep track of what policies you have coded when working with another RA so you don't double code policies on the same day, highlight in yellow which ones haven't been entered into the Shiny App and then green for those who have so the other RA can cross check and see that it has been coded or not.¹

Tips and advice for each policy type:

All policies	Suggestion for sources	Links
Reg of Schools	Ministry of Education website. ²	
Declaration of Emergency	Pajhwok news, Ministry of Public Health	
Quarantine	U.S. Embassy in Afghanistan,	
Lockdown	Ministry of Interior	
Internal border controls, Lockdowns, Curfews, declarations of emergency (or high alert), regulation of mass gatherings, and regulations/restrictions of government services and businesses, social distancing	Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Hajj and religious affairs. Govt related to regulation of office hours (news section in each ministry site)	
Health (Monitoring, Testing, Resources)	The Ministry of Public Health uses Facebook a lot to announce new policies, so it can be helpful to follow it for updates or when the main website doesn't work.	
External Border	US Embassy, Pajhwok News, Civil Aviation Authority	

¹ There are few provincial government sites, so mainly we have to rely on newspapers (at least 2 sources for the purposes of triangulation).

² If the website does not work (which does happen), do not fear! They are quite active on Facebook / Twitter (which they link to facebook anyway) and you can use the govt facebook accounts when they post a new COVID related policy, pdf the post and save it

New Task Force/ Office	Presidential office	https://www.gmic.gov.af/english/index.php
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