

## Chapter 3

# COVID-19 and Social Activities

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### ABSTRACT

*The COVID-19 pandemic outbreak recently was one of the most dangerous crises the world has faced in the 21st century and has affected entire countries of the world at all levels. The researchers aim to identify the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on social activities and the social interaction of individuals, where the greatest impact of COVID-19 emerged clearly in the social life of individuals and affected their social activities. In addition to the remarkable manifestations of COVID-19 in social terms such as the imposition of curfew, the imposition of full closure at specific hours, and the imposition of social distancing, lately the dependence was on virtual communication among individuals. Thus, social activities have almost become non-existent. Therefore, researchers will attempt in this chapter to give suitable suggestions that may increase real social activities instead of virtual activities.*

### INTRODUCTION

Modern Epidemics that appear in the world are still causing many concerns to the world's countries, which lead them trying to find appropriate treatments as soon as possible, as the health index is one of the indicators of human development. Therefore, with the emergence of the Covid epidemic, this posed a real danger and threat to humans' life in general. As well as It has had a particularly negative impact on the life and social activities that people was used to practice naturally and spontaneously without imposing restrictions on their social activities and interactions by reducing the manifestations of real social interaction due to the health preventive measures

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that are being imposed within the social crowds in the markets, work, restaurants, cafes...etc.

## **BACKGROUND**

The authors use both of the descriptive method and the content analysis method for literatures about the research topic. In this chapter, the authors review the role of the Covid-19 pandemic in the activities of social life among individuals. In addition to the fact that this crisis is still recent, consequently there is relatively little researches about it. Thus there is relatively little research about it, so it is important that it be presented through a book chapter rather than relying on the articles, while there is a need to expand research on this pandemic within many book chapters to deepen its social impact by providing possible solutions to make a new contribution at the social level by reducing the negative effects of the Covid Pandemic on social activity, but at the same time without these solutions affecting the general safety of individuals. In addition to the recent dependence on social communication virtually instead of real communication, because of the persist effect of COVID, which is still exist until now.

## **MAIN FOCUS OF THE CHAPTER**

### **Issues, Controversies, Problems**

There are many articles about COVID and Social Activities (Burzyńska; Bartosiewicz; & Rękas, 2020; Park; Kim; & Lee, 2020; Kocabiyik, 2021; Nasution; Pradana; & Casman, 2021; Piya, 2022). However, this pandemic is still recent, so most of the literatures are shedding the light in a general manner. While, the authors in this chapter are providing an organized explanation but with specific manner. There are also many reports of institutions or International Organizations (Cheng; Kim; & Koh, 2020; The Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities (CCSA), 2020; Dünya Doktorları Derneği, 2020; Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), 2020; Fedorowicz; Arena; & Burrowes, 2020; HM Government, 2020; International Labor Organization (ILO), 2020; OECD, 2020; United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), 2021;). Consequently, they are in somewhat inconclusive. On a similar note, there are only few books about Covid Pandemic, thus it is necessary having many reference books about this topic.

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