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Public health challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic in Iraq: Second wave implication

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This paper is to depict the current scenario of coronavirus diseases 2021 (COVID-19) in Iraq, how the government is tackling this pandemic as well as look at the public health challenges that Iraq is facing and might face in the future. Methodology: this paper is a viewpoint of COVID-19 activities conducted in Iraq.

Findings: Iraq is vulnerable to COVID-19, as it shares borders with Iran and other EMERO countries. Cases have started to be seen in different parts of Iraq. Government of Iraq has started various measures to control the spread of the virus such as deploying health workers, information sharing via different mediums. However, there are still many challenges that the government and public health officials need to be concerned about as well.

Originality/value: This paper provides information about the situation of COVID-19 in Iraq, how the government is handling, and public health challenges that may arise. This paper can be beneficial for further public health interventions.

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