## REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA



MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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WINDHOEK

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1. Good afternoon fellow Namibians. Today, a total number of 1 310 results were received from the laboratories. Of these, 92 samples tested positive for COVID-19. Forty-eight (48) are males while forty-four (44) are females. The youngest is seven (7) months and the oldest is sixty-two (62) years. The confirmed cases are distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases

| REGIONS      | NEW CASES | DISTRICTS     | NEW CASES |
|--------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| Khomas       | 52        | Windhoek      | 52        |
| Oshana       | 6         | Oshakati      | 6         |
| Hardap       | 14        | Mariental     | 13        |
|              |           | Rehoboth      | 1         |
| Ohangwena    | 5         | Engela        | 4         |
|              |           | Eenhana       | 1         |
| Omaheke      | 3         | Gobabis       | 3         |
| Oshikoto     | 3         | Omuthiya      | 2         |
|              |           | Onandjokwe    | 1         |
| Erongo       | 3         | Walvis Bay    | 2         |
|              |           | Swakopmund    | 1         |
| Kavango East | 2         | Rundu         | 2         |
| Karas        | 2         | Keetmashoop   | 2         |
| Otjozondjupa | 1         | Okahandja     | 1         |
| Zambezi      | 1         | Katima Mulilo | 1         |
| Total        | 92        |               | 92        |

- 2. Most of cases, 33 reported from Windhoek were in contact with confirmed cases. Out of 13 cases reported from Hardap region, 12 are from Hardap correctional facility. I would like to inform the nation that the cases we reported yesterday as coming from Windhoek correctional facility, actually they are all from Hardap correctional facility. The team from Windhoek correctional facility went to support in Hardap, and swabbed a number of people, some were symptomatic while some were in contact with confirmed cases, more results are still awaited.
- 3. Today we are reporting 68 new recoveries. This brings the total recoveries to 9 419.

Table 2: New recoveries per region

| Region | Number |  |
|--------|--------|--|
| Khomas | 43     |  |
| Erongo | 11     |  |
| Hardap | 11     |  |
| Oshana | 2      |  |
| Kharas | 1      |  |
| Total  | 68     |  |

4. The total number of active cases now stands at 2 030. Of the active cases, eight (8) are either in severe or critical conditions.

Table 3: Distribution of severity of cases per region

| Region | Severe | Critical | Total |
|--------|--------|----------|-------|
| Erongo | 0      | 1        | 1     |
| Khomas | 1      | 6        | 7     |
| Total  | 1      | 7        | 8     |

Table 5: Summary of the update

| Cumulative confirmed cases              | 11 572  |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|
| Newly confirmed                         | 92      |
| Recoveries                              | 9 419   |
| Active cases                            | 2 030   |
| COVID-19 deaths                         | 97      |
| COVID-19 related deaths                 | 26      |
| Total deaths                            | 123     |
| Active contacts                         | 9 707   |
| Total samples tested                    | 102 031 |
| Cumulative number of people quarantined | 14 657  |
| Number of quarantined people discharged | 13 484  |
| Number of people in quarantines         | 1 173   |

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