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UPDATE BY DR. KALUMBI SHANGULA, MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.

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WINDHOEK

**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce ninety-six (**96**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand six hundred and twenty-five (**1 625**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **6%** positivity ratio. The gender distribution is forty-nine (**49**) females and forty-seven (**47**) males. The age ranges from four (**4**) months to eighty-nine (**89**) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 10 August 2021

| REGIONS | NEW CASES | DISTRICTS | NEW CASES |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Ohangwena | 31 | Eenhana | 31 |
| Khomas | 29 | Windhoek | 29 |
| Omaheke | 9 | Gobabis | 9 |
| Otjozondjupa | 6 | Otjiwarongo | 4 |
| | | Okahandja | 2 |
| Kharas | 5 | Luderitz | 4 |
| | | Keetmanshoop | 1 |
| Oshikoto | 5 | Tsumeb | 4 |
| | | Omuthiya | 1 |
| Erongo | 4 | Swakopmund | 2 |
| | | Usakos | 1 |
| | | Omaruru | 1 |
| Hardap | 3 | Rehoboth | 3 |
| Oshana | 2 | Oshakati | 2 |
| Kunene | 2 | Khorixas | 2 |
| Total | 96 | | 96 |

2. Today we are reporting cases from ten (10) regions. Ohangwena region reported the highest number of cases, accounting for about 32% of all the confirmed cases, followed by Khomas region with 30%.
3. Among the confirmed cases are twenty-one (21) learners, two (2) teachers, one (1) student and three (3) health care workers.
4. Of all the confirmed cases only seven (7), representing 7%, are reported to have received only one dose of the COVID-19 vaccines.
5. We have recorded two thousand nine hundred and eighty-three (2 983) new recoveries. The recoveries are shown in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 10 August 2021

| Region | Number |
|---------------|---------------|
| Khomas | 1 750 |
| Ohangwena | 579 |
| Oshana | 345 |
| Omusati | 145 |
| Otjozondjupa | 50 |
| Kunene | 47 |
| Kavango West | 24 |
| Kharas | 16 |
| Kavango East | 16 |
| Hardap | 11 |
| Total | 2 983 |

6. We now have thirteen thousand five hundred and eight (13 508) active cases. Three hundred and seven (307) are hospitalized, of which thirty-nine (39) are in Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 10 August 2021

| Region | Hospitalized confirmed cases | Intensive Care Unit |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Khomas | 96 | 17 |
| Oshana | 36 | 7 |
| Kunene | 32 | 0 |
| Erongo | 25 | 9 |
| Ohangwena | 21 | 0 |
| Oshikoto | 19 | 4 |
| Kharas | 17 | 1 |
| Omusati | 17 | 0 |
| Kavango East | 16 | 1 |
| Otjozondjupa | 13 | 0 |
| Zambezi | 7 | 0 |
| Omaheke | 6 | 0 |
| Kavango West | 2 | 0 |
| Total | 307 | 39 |

7. We announce twenty-two (22) deaths from six (6) districts.

Table 4a. Summary of deaths, 10 August 2021

| District | Gender | | Total | Classification | | Home death | Comorbidity |
|---------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| | M | F | | C-Death | C-R death | | |
| Windhoek | 4 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Katima Mulilo | 4 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| Engela | 3 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Oshikuku | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Walvis Bay | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Swakopmund | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 15 | 7 | 22 | 20 | 2 | 7 | 7 |

Table 4b. Age group and vaccination status of the deceased, 10 August 2021

| Age group | No. of Deaths | Vaccination Status | | |
|--------------|---------------|--------------------|----------|--------------|
| | | 1st dose | 2nd dose | Undetermined |
| Under 1 | 0 | | | |
| 1-4 | 0 | | | |
| 5-9 | 0 | | | |
| 10-19 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 20-29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 30-39 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 40-49 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 50-59 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 60-69 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 70-79 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 80-89 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 90+ | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 22 | 0 | 0 | 5 |

8. Windhoek district reported the highest number of deaths with seven (7) deaths, followed by Katima Mulilo district with six (6) deaths, Engela district with four (4) deaths, Oshikuku and Walvis Bay district with two (2) deaths each, and Swakopmund district with one (1) death.
9. Seven (7) of the deaths occurred at home: six (6) from Katima Mulilo district and one (1) from Engela district. None of the death cases were reported to have been vaccinated.
10. Of the reported deaths, four (4) deaths occurred between 21-25 July, fifteen (15) occurred between 02-08 August, and three (3) occurred on the 10 August, within the last 24-hour reporting cycle.
11. By the 10 August 2021, a total of **177 470** people have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, while **57 587** had received two doses, as depicted on Tables 5 and 6 below:

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 10 August 2021

| Region | #New persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm | Total persons who received 1 st doses of Sinopharm | #New persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of AstraZeneca (AZ) | Total persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of AZ | Total persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm and AZ |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| Erongo | 203 | 8 658 | 4 | 9 343 | 18 001 |
| Hardap | 96 | 6 315 | 0 | 3 677 | 9 992 |
| Kharas | 0 | 4 795 | 0 | 2 769 | 7 564 |
| Kavango East | 183 | 4 975 | 2 | 4 443 | 9 418 |
| Kavango West | 40 | 1 555 | 0 | 2 173 | 3 728 |
| Khomas | 374 | 27 662 | 1 | 23 825 | 51 487 |
| Kunene | 125 | 5 282 | 0 | 3 526 | 8 808 |
| Ohangwena | 125 | 7 104 | 0 | 3 785 | 10 889 |
| Omaheke | 58 | 4 877 | 2 | 3 062 | 7 939 |
| Omusati | 250 | 6 782 | 0 | 5 183 | 11 965 |
| Oshana | 92 | 7 656 | 0 | 3 474 | 11 130 |
| Oshikoto | 138 | 6 114 | 0 | 2 824 | 8 938 |
| Otjozondjupa | 80 | 8 449 | 12 | 5 950 | 14 399 |
| Zambezi | 28 | 2 381 | 0 | 831 | 3 212 |
| Total | 1 792 | 102 605 | 21 | 74 865 | 177 470 |

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 2nd dose, 10 August 2021

| Region | # of new persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm | Total persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm | # of new persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca | Total persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca | Total 2 nd doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca |
|--------------|--|---|--|---|--|
| Erongo | 132 | 4 061 | 714 | 1 110 | 5 171 |
| Hardap | 49 | 2 225 | 171 | 201 | 2 426 |
| Kharas | 0 | 2 541 | 0 | 371 | 2 912 |
| Kavango East | 43 | 2 017 | 5 | 1 008 | 3 025 |
| Kavango West | 20 | 852 | 0 | 97 | 949 |
| Khomas | 154 | 13 913 | 1 938 | 3 209 | 17 122 |
| Kunene | 41 | 2 012 | 33 | 119 | 2 131 |
| Ohangwena | 85 | 2 714 | 0 | 289 | 3 003 |
| Omaheke | 14 | 1 748 | 17 | 181 | 1 929 |
| Omusati | 113 | 2 981 | 0 | 600 | 3 581 |
| Oshana | 71 | 3 673 | 0 | 966 | 4 639 |
| Oshikoto | 106 | 2 836 | 8 | 407 | 3 243 |
| Otjozondjupa | 65 | 4 922 | 96 | 1 022 | 5 944 |
| Zambezi | 41 | 1 397 | 0 | 115 | 1 512 |
| Total | 934 | 47 892 | 2 982 | 9 695 | 57 587 |

12. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 10 August 2021*

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|---|---------|
| Cumulative confirmed cases | 121 603 |
| Newly confirmed | 96 |
| Recoveries | 104 858 |
| Recovery rate | 86% |
| Active cases | 13 508 |
| Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses | 177 470 |
| Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses | 57 587 |
| COVID-19 Deaths | 2 949 |
| COVID-19 Related Deaths | 277 |
| Total Deaths | 3 226 |
| Total samples tested | 630 083 |
| Active contacts | 1 810 |
| Cumulative number of people quarantined | 70 323 |
| Number of quarantined people discharged | 68 599 |
| Number of people in quarantines | 1 724 |

13. **Key Messages**

- Ensuring good natural ventilation is one way to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 infection. Being outside the room is less risky than being inside as even a light breeze can help reduce the concentration of the virus.
- When making decisions about your daily life, and the interactions that you have, think about how you can increase ventilation. You can propose to meet friends and family outside not inside, or if you are meeting inside, making sure that you keep windows and doors open. Making good choices will help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

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