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1. We announce seventy-six (**76**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six (**1 986**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **3.8%** positivity ratio. The sex distribution is forty-two (**42**) females and thirty-four (**34**) males. The age range is from seven (**7**) months to one hundred and one (**101**) years old. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

*Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 01 October 2021*

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Ohangwena	22	Engela	16
		Eenhana	3
		Okongo	3
Hardap	13	Rehoboth	11
		Mariental	2
Omusati	10	Tsandi	6
		Outapi	2
		Oshikuku	1
		Okahao	1
Erongo	7	Swakopmund	6
		Omaruru	1
Khomas	5	Windhoek	5
Oshana	4	Oshakati	4
Kharas	4	Luderitz	3
		Keetmanshoop	1
Kunene	3	Opuwo	3
Zambezi	3	Katima Mulilo	3
Otjozondjupa	2	Grootfontein	2
Oshikoto	1	Onandjokwe	1
Kavango East	1	Andara	1
Omaheke	1	Gobabis	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>		<b>76</b>

2. Of the confirmed cases, thirty-nine (39) are learners. Twenty (20) learners are from Ohangwena region representing 51% and they are distributed as follows: Engela district with eight (8) from Onyofi Combined School, six (6) from Okapombo Combined School and one (1) from Omutaku Combined School. Eenhana district with three (3) from Ohakafiya Combined School and Okongo district with two (2) from Ehafo Primary School.
3. Apart from Ohangwena region, Swakopmund district also reported five (5) learners from Coastal High School. The rest of learners are from different schools across the country.
4. Three (3) teachers from different schools, one (1) student and three (3) health care worker are also among today's confirmed cases.

5. One (1) case received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, five (5) are fully vaccinated.
6. We have recorded eighty-eight (88) new recoveries from ten (10) regions:

*Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 01 October 2021*

Region	Number
Omusati	19
Oshana	15
Kunene	11
Kavango East	11
Hardap	11
Oshikoto	9
Ohangwena	8
Omaheke	2
Khomas	1
Otjozondjupa	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>88</b>

7. The number of active cases is now one thousand one hundred and fifty(**1 150**). Seventy-nine (**79**) are hospitalized, of which fourteen (**14**) are in ICU. A total of six (**6**) hospitalized cases are vaccinated with the second dose of vaccines and none of the ICU cases is vaccinated.

*Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 01 October 2021*

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases		Vaccinated (current hosp.)		Intensive Care Unit		Vaccinated (current hosp.)	
	Current	Previous	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	Current	Previous	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose
Oshana	17	16	0	1	7	7	0	0
Ohangwena	11	23	1	2	0	0	0	0
Khomas	11	18	0	0	7	4	0	0
Omusati	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erongo	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango East	5	9	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kharas	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hardap	5	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kunene	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambezi	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oshikoto	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kavango West	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

8. We are reporting one (1) death from Mariental district. An eighty-two (82) year old female with co-morbidities who died at home on 14 September 2021. The deceased was not vaccinated.
9. By 30 September 2021, a total of **272 077** people have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, of which **15 776** have received the Janssen & Johnson vaccine, which is only administered as a one dose, while **174 454** had received two doses. Therefore, **190 230** have completed the vaccination, as depicted on tables 5 and 6 below.

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1<sup>st</sup> dose, 01 October 2021

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik		Pfizer		J&J		Grant total 1 <sup>st</sup> dose
	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	
Erongo	23	14 624	28	12 493	0	0	0	0	156	2 032	29 149
Hardap	20	11 360	35	4 960	0	0	0	0	88	1 131	17 451
Kharas	0	7 997	0	3 476	0	0	0	0	0	635	12 108
Kavango East	18	7 922	11	5 354	0	0	0	0	33	563	13 839
Kavango West	16	3 298	6	2 870	0	0	0	0	90	386	6 554
Khomas	91	38 678	42	28 392	0	61	0	25	418	5 141	72 297
Kunene	104	9 717	42	4 883	0	0	0	0	193	851	15 451
Ohangwena	219	13 014	31	4 636	0	0	0	0	145	542	18 192
Omaheke	35	7 536	9	4 554	0	0	0	0	146	728	12 818
Omusati	89	11 123	32	6 502	0	0	0	0	55	604	18 229
Oshana	54	10 939	2	4 563	0	0	0	0	102	692	16 194
Oshikoto	48	10 536	3	3 521	0	0	0	0	109	683	14 740
Otjozondjupa	51	11 416	9	7 697	0	0	0	0	285	1 629	20 742
Zambezi	5	3 260	4	894	0	0	0	0	15	159	4 313
<b>Total</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>161 420</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>94 795</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1 835</b>	<b>15 776</b>	<b>272 077</b>

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2<sup>nd</sup> dose, 01 October 2021

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik		Pfizer		Grand Total 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose
	New 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	All 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	New 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	All 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	New 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	All 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses	New 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	All 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	
Erongo	111	10 889	51	8 412	0	0	0	0	19 301
Hardap	85	8 167	47	3 159	0	0	0	0	11 326
Kharas	0	5 828	0	2 336	0	0	0	0	8 164
Kavango East	33	4 399	30	2 701	0	0	0	0	7 100
Kavango West	25	2 560	9	2 248	0	0	0	0	4 808
Khomas	202	28 370	73	19 489	0	0	0	0	47 859
Kunene	174	5 678	68	2 789	0	0	0	0	8 467
Ohangwena	135	8 436	46	3 056	0	0	0	0	11 492
Omaheke	79	4 580	43	2 093	0	0	0	0	6 673
Omusati	75	7 938	55	4 129	0	0	0	0	12 067
Oshana	95	8 174	1	2 876	0	0	0	0	11 050
Oshikoto	64	7 308	11	2 122	0	0	0	0	9 430
Otjozondjupa	141	8 731	80	4 911	0	0	0	0	13 642
Zambezi	12	2 428	3	647	0	0	0	0	3 075
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 231</b>	<b>113 486</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>60 968</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>174 454</b>

10. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 01 October 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	127 756
Newly confirmed	76
Recoveries	123 092
Recovery rate	96.3%
Active cases	1 137
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 <sup>st</sup> doses	272 077
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses	174 454
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	190 230
COVID-19 Deaths	3 227
COVID-19 Related Deaths	288
Total Deaths	<b>3 515</b>
Total samples tested	707 489
Active contacts	1 010
Cumulative number of people quarantined	78 555
Number of quarantined people discharged	77 894
Number of people in quarantines	661

11. **Key messages:**

- We have been observing a rise in cases over the last few days among learners as being reflected in case distribution. It is the responsibility of learners to exercise caution in preventing transmission as well as the COVID-19 taskforce in the respective schools to ensure that public health measures are closely observed.
- Parents and Guardians are also urged to ensure the children are observing the public health measures when going to school. Most affected learners are from Combined Schools.
- In addition, the public is highly encouraged to take vaccination seriously in order to build immunity against the virus and also reduce hospitalization due to severe illness and death. From today's statistics, all those who are in ICU are not vaccinated.

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