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

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1. We announce four hundred and forty-nine (**449**) confirmed cases from two thousand seven hundred and two (**2 702**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hour reporting cycle, which represents **16.6%** positivity ratio. Out of the total confirmed cases, four hundred and thirty-three (**433**) are new cases and sixteen (**16**) cases are reinfections. The sex distribution is two hundred and forty-two (**242**) females and one hundred and ninety-one (**191**) males. The age ranges from two (**2**) months to one hundred (**100**) years.

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases & Reinfections, 08 January 2022

Region	New cases	District	New cases	Reinfections	Total
Omusati	130	Oshikuku	63	0	63
		Tsandi	28	0	28
		Okahao	21	0	21
		Outapi	18	1	19
Khomas	66	Windhoek	66	7	73
Oshana	41	Oshakati	41	2	43
Oshikoto	31	Onandjokwe	26	0	26
		Omuthiya	5	2	7
Ohangwena	31	Eenhana	11	0	11
		Engela	11	0	11
		Okongo	9	0	9
Erongo	25	Swakopmund	19	0	19
		Omaruru	6	1	7
Otjozondjupa	25	Grootfontein	19	0	19
		Otjiwarongo	3	0	3
		Okakarara	2	0	2
		Okahandja	1	0	1
Kavango East	24	Rundu	24	1	25
Zambezi	22	Katima mulilo	22	2	24
Kharas	10	Luderitz	6	0	6
		Karasburg	2	0	2
		Keetmanshoop	2	0	2
Kunene	9	Khorixas	5	0	5
		Outjo	4	0	4
Hardap	8	Mariental	5	0	5
		Aronos	3	0	3
Kavango West	8	Nkurenkuru	5	0	5
		Ncamagoro	3	0	3
Omaheke	3	Gobabis	3	0	3
Total	433		433	16	449

2. We are reporting cases from all the 14 regions. Omusati recorded the highest number of cases (131), constituting 29.2% of the total cases of which one is a re-infection, followed by Khomas (73) cases, accounting for 16.3%, including seven re-infections.
3. Among the confirmed cases are thirty (30) learners, fifteen (15) health care workers, nine (9) teachers and nine (9) students from different institutions. Five (5) cases have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, fifty-one (51) cases are fully vaccinated of which two (2) have received booster doses, and seven (7) of the vaccinated cases did not specify the number of doses received. Three hundred and eighty-six (386) cases are not vaccinated, accounting for 86.0% of the total confirmed cases.

4. We are reporting two thousand eight hundred and seventeen (**2 817**) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 08 January 2022

Region	Number
Khomas	2472
Otjozondjupa	148
Oshikoto	89
Omusati	71
Kharas	18
Ohangwena	17
Hardap	2
Total	2 817

5. The number of active cases is ten thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven (**10 767**). Three hundred and ninety-four (**394**) cases are hospitalized across all the regions, of which thirty-five (**35**) are in ICU. Seven (**7**) of the hospitalized cases have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, thirty-five (**35**) are fully vaccinated, while three hundred and fifty-five (**355**) are not vaccinated constituting 90.1% of the total hospitalized cases. One (1) case in ICU has received one dose, two (2) cases are fully vaccinated while thirty-two (**32**) cases are not vaccinated representing 91.4% of all cases in ICU.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 08 January 2022

Region	Hospitalized cases		Vaccinated		ICU		Vaccinated	
	Current	Previous	1 st dose	2 nd dose	Current	Previous	1 st dose	2 nd dose
Khomas	80	80	4	7	15	15	1	1
Oshana	67	71	0	6	5	4	0	1
Omusati	35	35	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kunene	35	35	0	10	0	0	0	0
Oshikoto	34	30	1	1	10	13	0	0
Erongo	32	32	1	6	4	4	0	0
Ohangwena	30	29	1	1	0	0	0	0
Kavango East	24	17	0	2	1	2	0	0
Otjozondjupa	16	18	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kharas	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambezi	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omaheke	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango West	4	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Hardap	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	394	388	7	35	35	38	1	2

6. We are reporting nineteen (19) COVID-19 deaths from seven (7) districts, with Oshikuku and Oshakati districts reporting five (5) deaths each.

Table 4a. Summary of deaths, 08 January 2022

District	Sex		Total	Classification		Home death	Comorbidity
	M	F		COVID-19 death	C-R death		
Oshikuku	1 ⁺	3+1*	5	5	0	1	4
Oshakati	4	1	5	5	0	0	4
Engela	2	2	4	4	0	0	4
Khorixas	1*	1 ⁺	2	2	0	1	2
Swakopmund	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Okahao	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Eenhana	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Total	10	9	19	19	0	2	17

*Home death. ⁺ Dead on arrival

Table 4b. Age group and vaccination status of the deceased, 09 January 2022

Age group	No. of Deaths	Vaccination Status		
		One dose	Two doses	Three doses
Under 1	0	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
1-4	0	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
5-11	0	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
12-13	0	0	0	0
14-17	0	0	0	0
18-29	0	0	0	0
30-39	1	0	0	0
40-49	4	0	0	0
50-59	0	0	0	0
60-69	2	0	0	0
70-79	2	0	0	0
80-89	7	0	0	0
90+	3	0	0	0
Total	19	0	0	0

7. We are reporting nineteen (19) COVID-19 deaths, of which one (1) death occurred on 29 December 2021, nine (9) deaths occurred between 3–6 January 2022 and nine (9) deaths occurred on 7 January 2022, that is within the 24 hour reporting cycle. Two (2) cases from Khorixas and Oshikuku districts died at home, while two (2) cases from the same districts were pronounced dead on arrival. **All the deceased cases were not vaccinated.**
8. By 7 January 2022, a total of **407 865** people aged 18 years and above have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, representing **27.1%** of the target population (1 501 041). A total of **106 859** have received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, while **240 145** adults have received two doses of other vaccine types. Therefore, **347 004** adults have completed their vaccination, translating to **23.1%** of the target population.
9. A total number of two thousand six hundred and ninety (**2 690**) children aged 12-17 years have received at least one dose of the Pfizer vaccine, representing **0.9%** of the target population (307 298). Of these, eighty-nine (89) are fully vaccinated. Therefore, cumulative number of people vaccinated with the first dose, both adults and children is **410 555**, of which **347 093** are fully vaccinated.

10. Seven thousand six hundred and nine (**7 609**) people have received a booster dose. Details of vaccinations are presented in tables 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 below.

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 08 January 2022

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik V		Pfizer		J&J		Grand total 1st dose
	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	
Erongo	0	15885	0	13179	0	3	0	1015	0	9035	39117
Hardap	9	12576	0	5587	0	0	37	482	23	6554	25199
Kharas	4	10294	0	4594	0	0	9	198	38	5648	20734
Kavango East	0	10636	0	7075	0	0	0	1206	0	10282	29199
Kavango West	0	5766	0	4525	0	0	0	766	0	9500	20557
Khomas	20	41778	0	29514	0	94	91	4096	75	19503	94985
Kunene	0	11606	0	5432	0	0	0	67	0	7477	24582
Ohangwena	0	15742	0	5293	0	2	0	118	0	5888	27043
Omaheke	0	8316	0	5008	0	0	1	185	1	5273	18782
Omusati	0	13435	0	7217	0	0	0	253	0	5385	26290
Oshana	14	12399	0	4782	0	29	13	218	14	4396	21824
Oshikoto	3	12112	0	3718	0	0	4	73	19	5658	21561
Otjozondjupa	3	12382	0	8457	0	0	11	269	45	9376	30484
Zambezi	0	3623	0	939	0	0	0	62	1	2884	7508
Total	53	186550	0	105320	0	128	166	9008	216	106859	407865

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2nd dose, 08 January 2022

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik V		Pfizer		Grand total 2nd dose
	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd doses	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	
Erongo	0	13679	0	11350	0	5	0	430	25464
Hardap	7	10616	0	4239	0	0	42	204	15059
Kharas	11	8291	0	3166	0	0	3	113	11570
Kavango East	0	7379	0	3789	0	0	0	341	11509
Kavango West	0	4492	0	2970	0	0	0	186	7648
Khomas	52	35591	0	24578	0	63	88	2419	62651
Kunene	0	8594	0	4034	0	0	0	6	12634
Ohangwena	0	12957	0	4139	0	0	0	15	17111
Omaheke	10	5981	0	3041	0	0	14	96	9118
Omusati	0	11657	0	5853	0	0	0	89	17599
Oshana	11	10990	0	3848	0	8	10	97	14943
Oshikoto	4	10451	0	3079	0	0	0	14	13544
Otjozondjupa	7	10781	0	6476	0	0	5	129	17386
Zambezi	0	3154	0	739	0	0	0	16	3909
Total	102	154613	0	81301	0	76	162	4155	240145

Table 7: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 3rd dose, 08 January 2022

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik V		Pfizer		Grand total 3 rd dose
	New 3 rd dose	All 3 rd dose	New 3 rd dose	All 3 rd dose	New 3 rd dose	All 3 rd doses	New 3 rd dose	All 3 rd dose	
Erongo	0	455	0	80	0	0	0	861	1396
Hardap	18	253	0	0	0	0	21	394	647
Kharas	3	168	0	24	0	0	5	55	247
Kavango East	0	126	0	2	0	0	0	69	197
Kavango West	0	55	0	0	0	0	0	22	77
Khomas	72	881	0	355	0	0	167	1720	2956
Kunene	0	101	0	17	0	0	0	8	126
Ohangwena	0	50	0	2	0	0	0	1	53
Omaheke	0	31	0	3	0	0	0	11	45
Omusati	0	187	0	23	0	0	0	68	278
Oshana	23	412	0	57	0	0	11	154	623
Oshikoto	3	225	0	32	0	0	4	26	283
Otjozondjupa	15	330	0	58	0	0	18	233	621
Zambezi	3	38	0	5	0	0	0	17	60
Total	137	3312	0	658	0	0	226	3639	7609

Table 8: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines(12-17) Years, 1st dose, 08 January 2022

PFIZER FOR CHILDREN 1 st DOSE (12-17) Years					
Region	New (12-13 yrs)	All 1 st dose (12-13 yrs)	New (14-17 yrs)	All 1 st dose (14-17 yrs)	GRAND TOTAL 1 st DOSES (12-17 yrs)
Erongo	0	87	0	123	210
Hardap	11	123	18	13	136
Kharas	0	13	4	207	220
Kavango East	0	207	0	121	328
Kavango West	0	121	0	104	225
Khomas	23	104	29	24	128
Kunene	0	24	0	46	70
Ohangwena	0	46	0	14	60
Omaheke	0	14	0	76	90
Omusati	0	76	0	36	112
Oshana	5	36	5	11	47
Oshikoto	1	11	3	62	73
Otjozondjupa	5	62	4	2	64
Zambezi	0	2	0	925	927
Total	45	926	63	1764	2690

Table 9: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines (12-17) Years, 2nd dose, 08 January 2022

PFIZER FOR CHILDREN 2nd DOSE (12-17) Years					
Region	New (12-13 yrs)	All 2nd dose (12-13 yrs)	New (14-17 yrs)	All 2nd Dose (14-17 yrs)	GRAND TOTAL 2nd DOSE (12-17) Years
Erongo	0	0	0	0	0
Hardap	0	0	0	0	0
Kharas	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango East	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango West	0	4	0	9	13
Khomas	0	25	0	42	67
Kunene	0	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	0	0	0	0	0
Omaheke	0	0	0	0	0
Omusati	0	0	0	0	0
Oshana	0	0	0	0	0
Oshikoto	0	0	0	0	0
Otjozondjupa	0	3	0	6	9
Zambezi	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	32	0	57	89

11. Table 10: Summary of the national update, 08 January 2022

Cumulative newly confirmed individuals	152 390
Newly confirmed individuals	433
New reinfections	16
Cumulative cases including reinfections	154 231
Recoveries	139 725
Recovery rate	91.7%
Active cases	10 767
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st dose	410 555
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd dose	240 234
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	347 093
COVID-19 Deaths	3 407
COVID-19 Related Deaths	317
Total Deaths	3 724
Total samples tested	888 776
Active contacts	2 433
Cumulative number of people quarantined	85 850
Number of quarantined people discharged	85 120
Number of people in quarantines	730

12. **Key Messages**

- We are observing with great concern the increasing number of people developing severe COVID-19 outcomes requiring admission into hospitals and ICU with others progressing to death either in the health care facilities, at home or in transit to the health care facilities. It is even more concerning that the majority of these cases are not vaccinated. Vaccination saves lives! Let us not delay protecting ourselves and our loved ones before it is too late to save ourselves. The country currently has sufficient quantities of the COVID-19 vaccines to vaccinate everyone. Visit your nearest vaccination centre to receive your shot.

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