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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. Good afternoon fellow Namibians. Today we are reporting forty-four (44) new COVID-19 confirmed cases identified from eight hundred and thirty (830) tests performed at the various laboratories. This translates in 5.2% positivity ratio. The gender distribution of the cases is thirty (30) males and fourteen (14) females. The age range is from ten (10) to eighty-one (81) years. The new COVID-19 cases are distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	27	Windhoek	27
Karas	8	Lüderitz	8
Erongo	4	Swakopmund	3
		Walvis Bay	1
Hardap	3	Rehoboth	3
Oshana	2	Oshakati	2
Total	44		44

2. Among cases from Windhoek district, eight (8) cases are from Mali national football team who came on return Africa Cup of Nations (AFCON) qualifying match. As per AFCON protocol, players are expected to be tested 48 hours before the match. The team arrive in Namibia on the 15 November 2020 evening, and they were swabbed on the 16 November 2020. Those who tested positive, were isolated from the rest of the team and did not play last evening. However, all the team members have gone back to their country this morning as per bilateral arrangements.
3. Today we are reporting twelve (12) new recoveries. This brings the total number of recoveries to 13 152.

Table 2: New recoveries per region

Region	Number
Khomas	7
Erongo	3
Omusati	2
Total	12

4. The total number of active cases currently stands at 316. Of the active cases, four (4) are in severe to critical condition. They are all in Khomas region.

5. *Table 3: Summary of the update*

Cumulative confirmed cases	13 610
Newly confirmed	44
Recoveries	13 152
Active cases	316
COVID-19 Death	108
COVID-19 Related Death	32
Total Deaths	140
Active contacts	2 726
Total samples tested	143 466
Cumulative number of people quarantined	19 647
Number of quarantined people discharged	19 163
Number of people in quarantine	484

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