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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

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1. Good afternoon fellow Namibians. We have recorded ninety-seven (97) new cases. Ninety (90) from Walvis Bay, three from Swakopmund, two from Engela, Ohangwena Region, one from Outapi, Omusati Region and one from Katima Mulilo, Zambezi Region. Among the cases in Walvis Bay, three are health care workers.
2. Cases from Engela are of a 9-years old child and a 42-years old adult, both contacts to the confirmed case in the same district. They had been at home since the time their source case was confirmed. They were already beyond 14 days. Both do not have symptoms consistent with COVID-19.
3. A case from Outapi is of a 29-years old man who travelled from Walvis Bay on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2020 and arrived in Outapi on the 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020. He reported himself and was quarantined. This is a good practice and it is being encouraged.
4. We are still establishing the details for the case in Katima Mulilo. Of the ninety-seven cases, eighty-one are males and sixteen are females. The youngest one is 3 years old and the older one is 66 years. Contact tracing is ongoing.
5. Seven cases have recovered. Cases No 89, 103,143, 166, 169,179 and 244 have recovered and discharged.
6. On a sad note, today we are reporting again another death due to COVID-19, in Walvis Bay. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> case we have lost. This patient was being managed at a private hospital.
7. Thirteen cases are extremely sick either in high care unit or in ICU. They need oxygen support.

8. *Table 1: Summary*

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| Cumulative confirmed cases              | 1 344  |
| Newly confirmed                         | 97     |
| Recoveries                              | 42     |
| Active cases                            | 1 298  |
| Deaths                                  | 4      |
| Total samples tested                    | 17 994 |
| Active contacts                         | 1 881  |
| Cumulative number of people quarantined | 4 701  |
| Number of quarantined people discharged | 4 050  |
| Number of people in quarantines         | 651    |

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