## **REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**



## MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

## 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. A number of 1 185 results were received over the past twenty-four hours. We have recorded 74 new Covid-19 positive cases according the following distribution:

Region	Town	Number
Erongo	Walvis bay	56
	Swakopmund	3
	Omaruru	1
Khomas	Windhoek	4
Kharas	Luderitz	4
Oshana	Oshakati	2
Kavango East	Rundu	2
Oshikoto	Onandjokwe	1
Otjozondjupa	Okahandja	1
Total	·	74

Table: New Covid-19 positive cases

Of this number, fifty-four (54) are males and twenty (20) are females. Ages range from 15 to 77 years. Contact tracing has been initiated.

- 2. The case from Omaruru is that of a 57-years old male with no travel history and no contact with a known case. He presented with chronic backache and was tested as part of active case search on the 24<sup>th</sup> July 2020.
- 3. The cases from Rosh Pinah, in the Luderits district are all employees at the Spar and contacts of a confirmed case.
- 4. The Windhoek cases are as follow:
- 4.1. A 37-years old male was admitted at the private hospital with COVID-19 related symptoms. He has no known contact with a confirmed case and no travel history. He was tested on the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020 and result came out positive.
- 4.2. A 21-year old female and a staff member of the Khomas Regional Council, presented with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and was tested on the 24<sup>th</sup> July 2020. She does not have known contact with a confirmed case and no travel history. She had not been in quarantine.
- 4.3. A 21-year old female recently travelled from Ohangwena region. She was quarantined as per request of the family here in Windhoek although she was not reported to have been in contact with a known case and no COVID-19 related symptoms. She was tested on the 24<sup>th</sup> July 2020.
- 4.4. A 28-year old male and a Windhoek resident with no travel history, and no known contact with a confirmed case. He was tested on the 23th July 2020 as he had symptoms consistent with COVID-19. Had not been in quarantine.

- 5. The Oshakati cases are as follow:
- 5.1. One is a 47-year old female, a health care worker who presented with COVID-19 related symptoms. He has no travel history. She only came in contact with a parcel which was handled by a confirmed case.
- 5.2. The second one is a 35-years old male with no travel history and no known contact with a confirmed case. He has symptoms consistent with COVID-19 on admission.
- 6. The Rundu cases both travelled from Walvis Bay, and have been in quarantine. One is a 15-year female learner, and one is a 36-years old male.
- 7. Onandjokwe case is a 29-year old male and a health care worker. While he was on leave, he travelled to Windhoek and Grootfontein and resumed work on the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2020. He developed COVID-19 related symptoms and was tested as part of active case search. He does not have known contacts with a confirmed case.
- 8. The Okahandja case is that of a 33-male from the Oropoko Military base. He recently traveled to Windhoek. He has no known contact with a confirmed case. He was tested on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020 as he had COVID-19 related symptoms. He had been in quarantine.
- 9. We have registered three cases, all from Walvis Bay. They are Case No 292, 306 and 315.

Cumulative confirmed cases	1 917
Newly confirmed	74
Recoveries	104
Active cases	1 805
Deaths	8
Total samples tested	24 325
Active contacts	2 969
Cumulative number of people quarantined	6 023
Number of quarantined people discharged	4 636
Number of people in quarantines	1 387

10. Table 2: Summary