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WINDHOEK

**Check Against Delivery*

1. Good afternoon fellow Namibians. A total number of **1 190** results were received from NIP and Pathcare laboratories. Of these, **152** samples tested positive for COVID-19. Ninety-six (96) are males and fifty-six (56) are females. The youngest is 6 months old, while the oldest is 77 years. The cases are spread as follows:

Table 1: New Covid-19 positive cases

Region	Town	Number
Erongo	Walvis Bay	64
	Swakopmund	9
Khomas	Windhoek	73
Otjozondjupa	Okahandja	2
	Otjiwarongo	1
Kavango West	Nankudu	1
Hardap	Mariental	1
Omusati	Outapi	1
Total		152

2. We are not going into details of the **Windhoek** cases as we now understand that most of these cases are linked to one other and they are increasing on a daily basis.
3. However, of note, 28 cases are from one locality. We have 10 cases reported from the same household and four cases are health care workers.
4. We are strengthening control measures in Windhoek as well as in all areas, to curb the further spread. These include increasing testing, increasing isolation and quarantine facilities, among others.
5. The two cases reported from **Okahandja** are those of a 37 years old male and a 44 years old female. Both are contacts to confirmed cases. They were tested on the 2nd August 2020, one of them presented with COVID-19 related symptoms.
6. The case reported from **Otjiwarongo** is that of a 16 years old female, contact to a confirmed case. She was tested on the 6th August 2020 as she presented with COVID-19 related symptoms.
7. The case reported from **Nankudu** is a 40 years old male, a cross border truck driver, who came from South Africa on the 28th July 2020. He was tested on the 3rd of August 2020. He did not present COVID-19 related symptoms at the time he was tested.
8. The case reported from **Mariental** is a 43 years old female, a health care worker. She was tested on the 5th August 2020 as part of active case search. She did not have symptom consistent with COVID-19 by then, however she later developed symptoms. She had been in contact with confirmed cases.

9. The case reported from **Outapi** is that of a 26 years old female, who travelled from Windhoek on the 22 July 2020. She had no contact with a confirmed case. She was tested on the 31st July 2020 as she presented with COVID-19 related symptoms.
10. Today, we report, eleven (11) recoveries, who were discharged home yesterday, all from Windhoek, Khomas region.
11. Of the active cases, we have five who are severely sick, one is from Khomas and four are from Erongo Region. Six patients are in critical conditions. Four of these are in Khomas while two are in Erongo Region.
12. *Table 2: Summary*

Cumulative confirmed cases	3 101
Newly confirmed	152
Recoveries	715
Active cases	2 367
Deaths	19
Total samples tested	35 175
Active contacts	3 818
Cumulative number of people quarantined	6 968
Number of quarantined people discharged	5 227
Number of people in quarantines	1 741

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