NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 102

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<td>28.06.2020</td>
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (28/06/2020)

- The country (with exception of Walvis Bay, Swakopmund, and Arandis in Eroango region) will migrate to stage 4 of the lockdown (effective from 23h59, 29 June 2020 - 17 September 2020).
- Eroango region is in Stage 3 with restrictions in Walvis Bay, Swakopmund, and Arandis Local Authority Areas (effective from 23h59 of 22 June 2020 until 23h59 of 06 July 2020).

- One-hundred-and-forty-two 142 (77.6%) cases are local transmissions while forty-one 41 (22.4%) are imported.
- Cumulatively, forty-nine (49) cases were identified during active case search.
- Seven of the 14 regions have reported confirmed cases with Eroango region reporting the highest number of cases; 145 (79.2%).
- More female cases 105 (57.4%) were recorded compared to male cases 78 (42.6%).
- Of the 33 cases reported today, 13 are symptomatic, while 20 are asymptomatic.

Dashboard information can be accessed at: https://cutt.ly/Covid-19-situation-Namibia
EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

Namibia has recorded a total of 183 confirmed cases since 13 March 2020. Most, 92 (50.3%) of the cases were recorded during week 26 (Figure 2).

- A high number of cases were recorded in the past two weeks as a result of:
  - Spread of local transmission in Walvis Bay district
  - Increased active case search and testing, averaging 300 daily in the past few days.
- A total of 864 people are currently in quarantine with 18 new admissions. Since March 2020, 41 people who were in quarantine have tested positive for COVID-19.
- Call centre continues operation for 24 hours daily; 1,579 calls were answered with 8 alerts investigated over the past 24hrs.

○ To date, 7822 tests have been conducted by NIP & PathCare laboratories. The highest number of tests were from Khomas (3364) and the lowest from Kavango-West region (12).

○ Seven (7) regions have reported confirmed cases; with Erongo reporting the highest 138 (75.4%) followed by Khomas 25 (68.3%).

○ Zambezi and Ohangwena have each reported one confirmed case (0.55%).

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<th>Total No of cases</th>
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<td>Total</td>
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○ The most affected ages are within 20 and 39 years 114 (62.3%). Those aged 60 and above constitute 10 (6.7%) of those affected.

○ In Namibia, more female 105 (57.4%) are affected.
Since the beginning of the outbreak, 1498 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified of which 2 were added within the last 24 hours. Cumulatively, 628 contacts have completed their 14 days of follow up, while 120 out of 831 active contacts were monitored today.

Since March 2020, 3791 people have been placed into supervised quarantine facilities around the country.

A total of 243 trucks entered the country through various ground crossing points in the last 24 hours, of which 46.9% were heading to Khomas region, while 29.6% were heading to Erongo region.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION

- Integrated teams sent to Kavango and Zambezi regions to give technical support for a period of 7 days.
- Regions have intensified surveillance on travellers from Erongo region for early case detection.
- Targeted testing in Walvis Bay is ongoing.
- Stage 4 State of Emergency COVID-19 Regulations were gazetted today (28/06/2020)

CHALLENGES

- Inadequate isolation units, at health facilities in the regions.
- Inadequate PPE
- Inadequate nasopharyngeal swabs and appropriate transport media.
- Prolonged turn-around time of results at NIP.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish fully equipped isolation units at health facilities in the regions.
- Logistics pillar to continue with the procurement and distribution of sufficient PPE to the regions to ensure that response is not interrupted.
- NIP to continue sourcing for swabs and appropriate transport media.
- Enhance laboratory testing capacity throughout the country.

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