COVID-19 is a human tragedy but has also created an OPPORTUNITY to build back a more equal and sustainable world. Our response must be based on a new Social Contract & new Global Deal that create equal opportunities and respect the rights & freedoms of ALL.

A new SOCIAL CONTRACT within societies will enable young people to live in DIGNITY; will ensure women have the same prospects and OPPORTUNITIES as men; and will PROTECT the sick, the vulnerable, and minorities of all kinds.

A new GLOBAL DEAL must be based on a FAIR globalization, the rights & dignity of every human being, living in balance with nature, respect for the rights of future generations, success measured in human rather than economic terms.

António GUTERRES
Secretary-General,
UNITED NATIONS
There will be no return to the “old normal” for the foreseeable future. However, there is a roadmap to a situation where we can control COVID-19 and get on with our lives. No matter where a country is in its epidemic curve, it is never too late to take decisive action.

SOLIDARITY is the key ingredient to fight COVID-19... TOGETHER, we can stop the virus from spreading, save lives, and build back better!

Dr TEDROS Adhanom
Director-General,
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION
When we have an effective COVID-19 vaccine, it will need to be rolled out at unprecedented speed & scale. Equity must be a central focus of our efforts. Too often, African countries end up at the back of the queue for new technologies.

WHO is working with partners to raise awareness & support greater access to COVID-19 testing and care among vulnerable populations facing protracted conflict humanitarian & emergencies.

Dr Matshidiso MOETI
Regional Director for AFRICA, WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION
Nelson Mandela’s message is more relevant than ever amid the COVID-19 pandemic. He stood for equality, justice & rights for the most vulnerable. We can carry on his legacy by standing in SOLIDARITY with those hardest hit by the pandemic, ensuring EQUITABLE access to health. Let us stand for JUSTICE, EQUALITY & RIGHTS of those hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr Matshidiso MOETI
Regional Director for AFRICA, WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION
A joint coordination and technical team comprising MoH | EPHI | WHO has been deployed to the Gambella to bolster the COVID-19 response in the region.

In Dire Dawa, WHO is providing technical support to the RHB to address the worsening IDP situation resulting from influx of displaced persons from the recent unrest in Oromia region in East and West Harraghe.
WHO continue to provide technical guidance to Addis Ababa City administration health bureau on lab testing for the surging of cases

WHO supported the country wide sero-survey in both Hawassa and Arba Minch of SNNP region where a total of 945 and 953 individuals were reached respectively

WHO supported the SNNP RHB in the development of an operational plan to expand COVID-19 testing capacity in the region
WHO supervised screening at Galafi border post, Afar region.

WHO conducted a WaSH assessment at Ethiopian Institute of Architecture, Building Construction and City Development (EIABC) quarantine center.

WHO supported the Dire Dawa RHB on creating a platform to share best practices on quarantine and isolation centers management.

WHO provided technical support to improve physical distancing and other prevention measures for arrivals in Addis Ababa Bole International Airport (ADD).

Ethiopia has revised the guidelines for persons entering the country with negative RT-PCR test; The revision indicates change from 72 hrs to 5 days prior to arrival in country.
Four (4) newly recruited WHO-IPC/WaSH and Case management experts have been trained and equipped with knowledge to support the GoE in the COVID-19 response.

WHO provided technical support to EPHI/MOH to develop reference manual for IPC/WASH in triage, quarantine, isolation and treatment centers.

Technical support was provided to EPHI in updating and refining the IPC | WaSH training package.

WHO supported the IPC WaSH pillar to draft an article on "travel restriction in Addis Ababa and its Effect to COVID-19 virus spread".

WHO provided technical review of the newly drafted IPC-WaSH Checklist for Geriatric centers.
CASE MANAGEMENT CAPACITY

STRENGTHENED

WHO provided technical support to EPHI to finalize the guideline on Implementation of Home-based Isolation Care

WHO provided technical guidance on the conversion of public institutions including training, quarantine, centers to treatment centers for increasing number of COVID-19 cases

WHO conducted a rigorous WaSH assessment at Eka Kotebe treatment center providing solutions for gaps observed
A joint technical team from FMOH, RHB, UNICEF, WHO has been deployed to support Cholera outbreak response in West Omo zone, SNNP region.

WHO continues to support post-measles SIA activities in the regions, including data compilation and documentation of lessons learned and best practices.

WHO provided support on strengthening of routine immunization, routine Vaccine Preventable Diseases (VPD) surveillance as essential services during COVID-19 response in Dire Dawa.

WHO finalized plans to commence phased trainings for HCWs on IPC, Surveillance and EHS in prioritized health facilities along major transportation corridors.

**LIFE-SAVING vaccines CAN be administered safely in a pandemic. DON’T delay!**

PROTECT children and adolescents from ...
During the World No Tobacco Day Award, the WHO Representative, Minister of Health, and DG of EFDA highlighted the risk of tobacco use with COVID-19 infection, advocated for enforcement of tobacco taxation, smoke free law, and cessation of smoking.

WHO supported the development of a video message on COVID-19 prevention and precautionary measures during shopping activities in supermarkets and other marketing areas.

Technical guidance was provided in the finalization of COVID-19 interpersonal communication response tools between HCWs and clients during health facility visits.
1 = Clean your hands frequently
2 = Avoided touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
3 = Cover your cough with a bent elbow
4 = Keep a distance of at least 1 meter from each other
5 = Wear a mask when physical distancing is not possible
6 = Stay home if unwell and contact a healthcare provider

Avoid crowded places
Wipe down surfaces with disinfectant; don’t forget your phone!

Stay connected with your loved ones during COVID-19 ... send messages with your loved ones and celebrate our medical heroes using WHO-WhatsApp “Together at Home” sticker pack!

#STOPTHESPREADOFCOVID19
#TAKECAREBEFOREYOUSHARE #SPREADTHEWORD #NOTTHEVIRUS
A joint scoping mission comprising WHO, national authorities and WFP visited the UN Field Hospital in Addis Ababa built by WFP with the aim of establishing the first AFRICA Regional Emergency Medical Team (EMT) training center.

The WHO Emergency Medical Teams (EMT) Initiative assists organizations and member states to build capacity and strengthen health systems by coordinating the deployment of quality assured medical teams in emergencies.
THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS:
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, European Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (ECHO), United Nation’s Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Irish Aid, Department for International Development (DFID), USAID, Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ), and King Baudouin Foundation

Dr Boureima HAMA SAMBO
WHO Representative,
ETHIOPIA
COVAX Facility is a mechanism designed to guarantee rapid, fair and equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines worldwide ... for every country in the world, rich and poor, to make rapid progress towards slowing the pandemic.

- 75 countries, would finance the vaccines from their own public finance budgets and partner with up to 90 lower-income countries that could be supported through voluntary donations to Gavi’s COVAX Advance Market Commitment (AMC)
- Together, up to 60% of the world’s population (165 countries) offers ‘tremendous vote of confidence’ in the effort to ensure global access to COVID-19 vaccines, once developed
- The COVAX Facility forms a key part of the COVAX pillar of the Access to COVID-19 Tools (ACT) Accelerator, a ground-breaking global collaboration to accelerate the development, production, and equitable access to COVID-19 tests, treatments, and vaccines
- COVAX is co-led by Gavi, the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) and WHO, working in partnership with developed and developing country vaccine manufacturers
- The goal of COVAX is to deliver two billion doses of safe, effective vaccines that have passed regulatory approval and/or WHO prequalification; by the end of 2021
- Significant progress has been achieved by the COVAX partners to date, with seven of the nine candidate vaccines supported by CEPI already in clinical trials

“... The COVID-19 pandemic, like every health crisis, also presents us with opportunities ... a vaccine that is affordable and accessible to all will help us address systemic health inequalities. We need all countries to support COVAX to achieve this goal and bring an end to the acute phase of the pandemic.”

Dr Soumya SWAMINATHAN
Chief Scientist,
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION
Dr Moeti Tshidi speaks on the need for countries to scale-up public health capacities as they re-open borders and allow more economic activity & movement of people … key to take effective measures to mitigate the risk of a spike in COVID-19 flare-ups.

As countries open-up borders, WHO’s advice is to make decisions and take action based on the data … this requires strong surveillance systems, case finding & testing to know where the virus is

It is important to use data to determine the degree to which travel can start and to guide the conditions … in order to MINIMIZE the risk

Preliminary evidence on COVID-19 indicates asymptomatic, pre-symptomatic & mild cases play a significant role in transmission … follow-up of passengers for 14 days & strong contact tracing systems are incredibly important to identify imported cases of travel

… as AFRICA re-opens its air spaces, we need strong COVID-19 response measures to effectively DETECT, MONITOR and MANAGE possible surges in infections.

The risks of flare-ups CAN’T be reduced to zero, but minimized to allow SAFE air travel.

Dr Matshidiso MOETI
Regional Director for AFRICA, WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION
WHO mass gathering COVID-19 risk assessment tool
(for religious, sports, and any generic events)
Interim guidance
Guidance for authorities and event organizers planning mass gatherings during the current COVID-19 pandemic
https://apps.who.int/iris/rest/bitstreams/1272773/retrieve

Practical actions in cities to strengthen preparedness for the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond
Interim checklist for local authorities
This document provides local authorities, leaders and policy-makers in cities with a checklist tool to ensure that key areas have been covered
https://apps.who.int/iris/rest/bitstreams/1287712/retrieve

Doing what matters in times of stress
Illustrated guide
The guide aims to equip people with practical skills to help cope with stress. A few minutes each day are enough to practice the self-help techniques
https://apps.who.int/iris/rest/bitstreams/1276043/retrieve

With #OpenWHO you can now learn about COVID-19 in 8 African languages spoken by more than 380 million people... the learning platform hosts free online courses in Amharic, Igbo, Hausa, Oromo, Somali, Swahili, Yoruba & Zulu.

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GLOBAL and AFRICA COVID-19 UPDATE
UPDATED AS OF 21 JULY 2020

GLOBAL

AFFECTED COUNTRIES, AREAS or TERRITORIES
216

AFRICA

AFFECTED COUNTRIES, AREAS or TERRITORIES
54

Situation by WHO Region

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TOP THREE Affected Countries in the WHO AFRICA Region

SOUTH AFRICA
- 337,628 cumulative cases (61.48%)
- 5,173 Deaths
- 168,236 Active cases
- 194,865 Recovered

NIGERIA
- 37,225 cumulative cases (6.13%)
- 801 Deaths
- 20,769 Active cases
- 15,333 Recovered

GHANA
- 28,430 cumulative cases (4.68%)
- 153 Deaths
- 4,270 Active cases
- 24,901 Recovered
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