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**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. We announce seven hundred and seventeen (717) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from three thousand one hundred and forty-six (3 146) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 23% positivity ratio. This is the highest number of confirmed COVID-19 cases reported within 24 hours since the outbreak started in the country. The gender distribution is four hundred and nine (409) females and three hundred and eight (308) males. The age range is from nine (9) months to ninety-eight (98) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 03 June 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	382	Windhoek	382
Hardap	84	Rehoboth	71
		Mariental	11
		Aranos	2
Erongo	72	Swakopmund	42
		Walvis Bay	27
		Omaruru	2
		Usakos	1
Karas	39	Keetmanshoop	24
		Lüderitz	15
Otjozondjupa	36	Okahandja	17
		Otjiwarongo	10
		Okakarara	5
		Grootfontein	4
Oshana	34	Oshakati	34
Omusati	19	Okahao	11
		Outapi	8
Kunene	12	Outjo	12
Zambezi	10	Katima Mulilo	10
Kavango East	11	Rundu	11
Omaheke	7	Gobabis	7
Ohangwena	6	Okongo	5
		Eenhana	1
Oshikoto	5	Tsumeb	5
	717		717

2. We are reporting cases from thirteen (13) regions. Windhoek district alone accounted for approximately 54% of the total number of confirmed cases. Among the cases are eighty (80) learners, seventeen (17) students, thirty-three (33) teachers and eleven (11) employees from the mining industry.
3. We have recorded one hundred and twenty-nine (129) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 03 June 2021

Region	Number
Oshikoto	90
Khomas	20
Otjozondjupa	10
Karas	7
Omaheke	2
Total	129

4. We now have four thousand nine hundred and sixteen (4 916) active cases. Two hundred and eighty (280) are hospitalized, of which forty-seven (47) are in (ICUs).

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 03 June 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Khomas	120	25
Erongo	32	6
Oshana	27	11
Karas	27	2
Otjozondjupa	14	0
Hardap	13	0
Zambezi	12	0
Omaheke	8	0
Ohangwena	8	0
Oshikoto	7	2
Omusati	6	0
Kavango East	3	1
Kunene	3	0
Total	280	47

5. We announce twelve (12) deaths, from six (6) districts.

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 03 June 2021

District	Sex	Age	Comorbidities	Date of Death	Classification	Vaccination status
Windhoek	Male	17	Yes	31.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
	Female	55	Yes	29.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
	Male	70	Yes	02.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	Male	52	Yes	01.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
	Female	51	No	01.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
	Male	85	Yes	01.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
	Female	68	Yes	01.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Keetmanshoop	Female	83	Yes	31.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Walvis Bay	Male	61	Yes	01.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
Engela	Male	78	Yes	31.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Vaccinated
Gobabis	Male	55	Yes	25.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
Karasburg	Male	67	Yes	31.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated

6. Tables 5 and 6 below show the number of people vaccinated with Sinopharm and AstraZeneca vaccines.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 1st vaccines administered, as of 03 June 2021

Region	#New persons vaccinated with 1st dose of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 1st dose of Sinopharm	#New persons vaccinated with 1st dose of AstraZeneca (AZ)	Total persons vaccinated with 1st dose of AZ	Total persons vaccinated with 1st doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	48	3061	157	4644	7705
Hardap	23	1353	5	1722	3075
Karas	42	1363	64	1449	2812
Kavango East	8	2159	3	2670	4829
Kavango West	0	826	0	1182	2008
Khomas	313	8688	355	16188	24876
Kunene	25	1837	72	1522	3359
Ohangwena	73	1955	26	2104	4059
Omaheke	24	1466	22	1705	3171
Omusati	69	1389	69	2482	3871
Oshana	59	1779	34	1834	3613
Oshikoto	43	768	25	1003	1771
Otjozondjupa	107	2527	92	3433	5960
Zambezi	25	691	3	571	1262
Total	859	29 862	927	42 509	72 371

Table 6: Number of 2nd doses administered as of 03 June 2021

Region	# of new persons who received 2nd doses of Sinopharm	# of New persons who received 2nd doses of AstraZeneca	Total 2nd doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca
Erongo	41	0	1012
Hardap	27	0	443
Karas	24	0	352
Kavango East	58	0	819
Kavango West	18	0	222
Khomas	73	48	3101
Kunene	29	0	755
Ohangwena	37	0	707
Omaheke	18	0	576
Omusati	37	0	431
Oshana	24	0	784
Oshikoto	12	13	354
Otjozondjupa	62	0	778
Zambezi	15	0	202
Total	475	61	10 536

7. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 03 June 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	56 981
Newly confirmed	717
Recoveries	51 177
Recovery rate	90%
Active cases	4 916
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses administered	72 371
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses administered	10 536
COVID-19 Deaths	734
COVID-19 Related Deaths	143
Total Deaths	877
Total samples tested	441 606
Active contacts	3 442
Cumulative number of people quarantined	50 721
Number of quarantined people discharged	48 939
Number of people in quarantines	1 782

8. **Key Message**

- COVID-19 cases continue to rise at an alarming rate in the country daily. This is an indication that the public is not strictly following the COVID-19 infection prevention and control measures. We once again strongly emphasize the importance of adhering to COVID-19 regulations which include, correct and consistent wearing of masks, frequent washing of hands with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub and observing social distancing at all time and avoiding unnecessary travels and gatherings. These measures cannot be over emphasized if we are going to see zero transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 virus in our communities
- It noteworthy that only one person among the deceases received first dose of the vaccine. Vaccination prevents infection, hospitalisation and deaths. Let everyone get vaccinated. Prevention is always better than cure.

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