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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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**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce one hundred and twenty-five (**125**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand four hundred and ninety-one (**1 491**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **8.4%** positivity ratio. The sex distribution is seventy-eight (**78**) females and forty-seven (**47**) males. The age range is from one (**1**) year to one hundred (**100**) years old. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 07 September 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Oshana	35	Oshakati	35
Kunene	24	Opuwo	24
Khomas	14	Windhoek	14
Ohangwena	14	Engela	8
		Eenhana	6
Kharas	11	Luderitz	10
		Keetmanshoop	1
Kavango East	10	Rundu	10
Omusati	6	Oshikuku	2
		Tsandi	2
		Outapi	2
Erongo	4	Swakopmund	4
Oshikoto	4	Tsumeb	3
		Onandjokwe	1
Hardap	3	Rehoboth	3
Total	125		125

2. Oshana region reported the highest number of cases with a total of 35, representing 28% of all cases of which 12 or 34% are learners.
3. Of the confirmed cases, a total of thirty-five (35) learners were reported; ten (10) from Hungua C.S in Opuwo district, five (5) from Eluwa primary school in Oshakati district, five (5) from Onakatumbé C.S in Eenhana district and the rest are from different schools.
4. Eleven (11) teachers and two (2) healthcare workers are among today's confirmed cases.
5. One (1) of the confirmed cases have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine
6. We have recorded one hundred and eight (108) new recoveries from the following regions:

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 07 September 2021

Region	Number
Omusati	42
Oshikoto	14
Ohangwena	14
Kunene	13
Otjozondjupa	9
Erongo	6
Kavango West	4
Zambezi	3
Kavango East	2
Khomas	1
Total	108

7. The number of active cases are now one thousand five hundred and forty-eight (**1 548**). One hundred and fifty-one (**151**) are hospitalized, of which twenty-two (**22**) are in Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 07 September 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases		Intensive Care Unit	
	Current	Previous	Current	Previous
Oshana	20	20	4	4
Omusati	20	24	0	0
Erongo	19	24	8	7
Khomas	19	23	7	8
Ohangwena	19	22	0	0
Kavango East	13	11	0	0
Kunene	9	12	0	0
Oshikoto	8	10	3	2
Kharas	8	8	0	0
Omaheke	5	3	0	0
Zambezi	4	2	0	0
Hardap	3	4	0	0
Otjozondjupa	2	6	0	0
Kavango West	2	1	0	0
Total	151	170	22	21

8. We are reporting (3) deaths from three (3) districts.

Table 4a. Summary of deaths, 07 September 2021

District	Sex		Total	Classification		Home death	Comorbidity
	M	F		Covid death	C-R death		
Okahao	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Outapi	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Rundu	0	1*	1	1	0	1	0
Total	2	1	3	3	0	1	2

*Home death

Table 4b. Age group and vaccination status of the deceased, 07 September 2021

Age group	No. of Deaths	Vaccination Status	
		1st dose	2nd dose
Under 1	0		
1-4	0		
5-9	0		
10-19	0	0	0
20-29	0	0	0
30-39	0	0	0
40-49	0	0	0
50-59	1	1	0
60-69	0	0	0
70-79	0	0	0
80-89	0	0	0
90+	2	0	0
Total	3	1	0

9. One (1) death occurred on 31 August 2021 and two (2) deaths occurred between 02-03 September 2021.
10. One (1) of the deceased cases received one dose of Sinopharm vaccine.
11. By the 6 September 2021, a total of **223 071** people have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, while **129 891** had received two doses, as depicted on tables 5 and 6 below:

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 07 September 2021

Region	New persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm	All persons who received 1 st doses of Sinopharm	New persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of AZ	All persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of AZ	All persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of SP and AZ
Erongo	136	12 671	65	11 468	24 139
Hardap	39	10 208	49	4 182	14 390
Kharas	85	6 601	19	3 135	9 736
Kavango East	63	6 521	0	5 123	11 644
Kavango West	39	2 667	30	2 635	5 302
Khomas	199	34 442	117	26 255	60 697
Kunene	247	7 827	169	4 094	11 921
Ohangwena	0	10 109	0	4 057	14 166
Omaheke	73	6 016	8	3 968	9 984
Omusati	0	9 013	0	5 779	14 792
Oshana	36	9 419	30	4 297	13 716
Oshikoto	37	8 446	19	3 155	11 601
Otjozondjupa	86	10 266	48	6 954	17 220
Zambezi	25	2 905	2	858	3 763
Total	1 065	137 111	556	85 960	223 071

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 2nd dose, 07 September 2021

Region	New persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	All persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	New persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca	Total persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca	Total 2 nd doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca
Erongo	266	7 537	144	6 573	14 110
Hardap	134	4 546	57	2 092	6 638
Kharas	80	4 355	28	1 703	6 058
Kavango East	53	3 264	0	2 170	5 434
Kavango West	70	1 552	39	1 651	3 203
Khomas	229	22 748	191	16 258	39 006
Kunene	136	3 749	93	1 809	5 558
Ohangwena	0	5 494	0	1 924	7 418
Omaheke	44	3 525	9	1 379	4 904
Omusati	0	5 745	0	2 827	8 572
Oshana	150	6 293	45	2 666	8 959
Oshikoto	109	5 182	35	1 371	6 553
Otjozondjupa	141	7 244	109	3 646	10 890
Zambezi	23	2 071	33	517	2 588
Total	1 435	83 305	783	46 586	129 891

Table 7: Summary of the national update, 07 September 2021

Cumulative confirmed cases	125 897
Newly confirmed	125
Recoveries	120 920
Recovery rate	96%
Active cases	1 548
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses	223 071
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses	129 891
COVID-19 Deaths	3 134
COVID-19 Related Deaths	283
Total Deaths	3 417
Total samples tested	671 302
Active contacts	1 510
Cumulative number of people quarantined	75 583
Number of quarantined people discharged	74 493
Number of people in quarantines	1 090

12. Key message

- Although the number of positive cases are consistently declining, those numbers are still being sustained by the number of learners. This population subgroup is the most active in terms of mobility. The infection in this cohort is mostly asymptomatic thereby facilitating easy transmission. It is therefore critically important to strengthen the basic public health measures in schools and at homes of the learners.

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