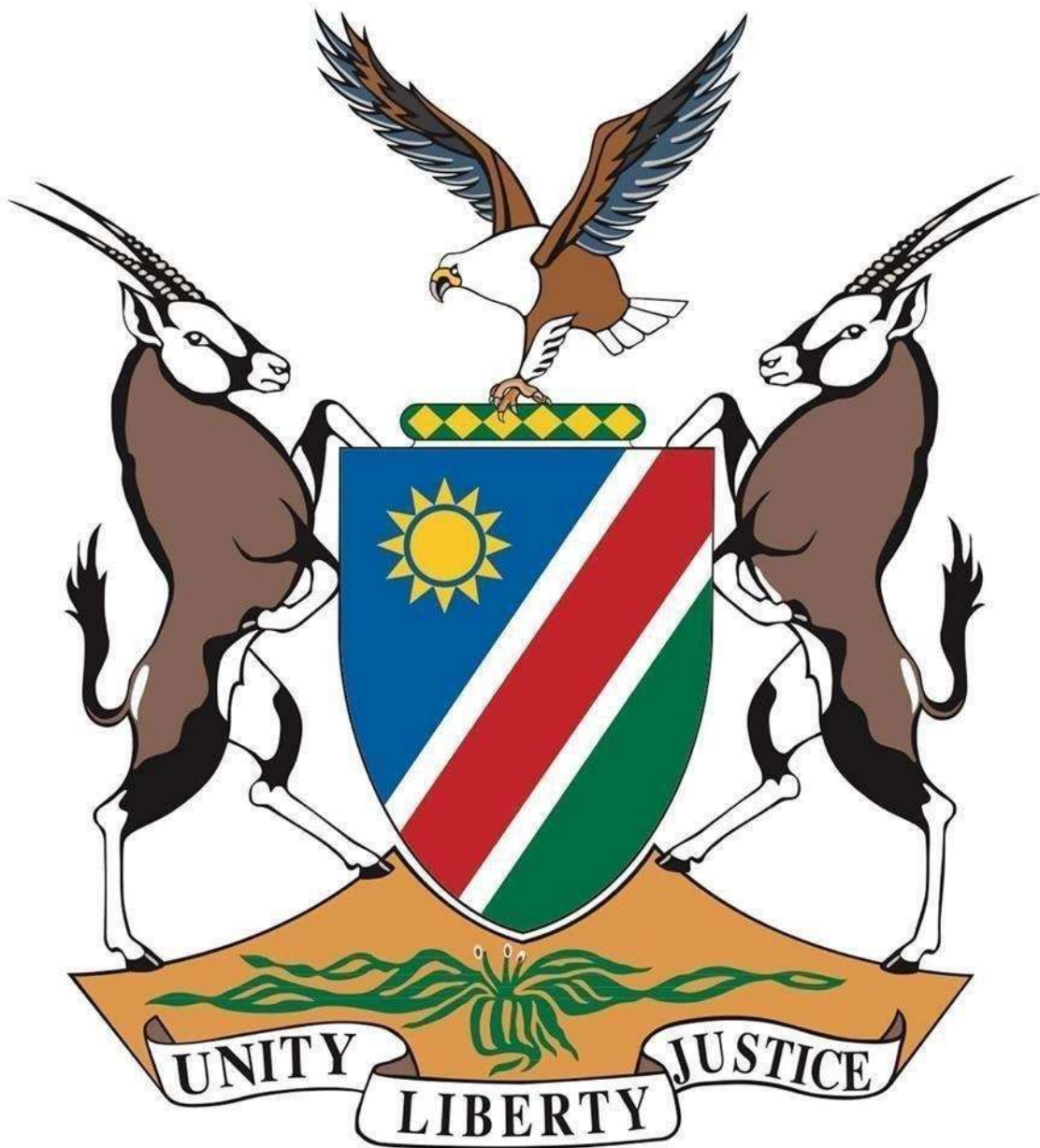


REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA



MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

**UPDATE BY DR. KALUMBI SHANGULA, MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL
SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

31 March 2021

WINDHOEK
**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce eighty-eight (88) new COVID-19 confirmed cases identified from one thousand three hundred and eighty-four (1384) results received from the laboratories in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 6% positivity rate. The gender distribution of the reported cases is forty-eight (48) males and forty (40) females. The age range is from nine (9) months to seventy-four (74) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 31 March 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	47	Windhoek	47
Erongo	11	Walvis Bay	9
		Swakopmund	2
Oshikoto	10	Tsumeb	6
		Onandjokwe	4
Oshana	8	Oshakati	8
Karas	6	Lüderitz	6
Hardap	2	Rehoboth	2
Otjozondjupa	2	Otjiwarongo	1
		Grootfontein	1
Ohangwena	1	Eenhana	1
Omaheke	1	Gobabis	1
Total	88		88

2. Among the confirmed cases are five (5) teachers, four (4) learners, three (3) health care workers and four (4) students.
3. We have recorded two hundred and seventy-two (172) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 31 March 2021

Region	Number
Otjozondjupa	93
Omaheke	24
Erongo	19
Hardap	18
Khomas	11
Kavango East	4
Omusati	3
Total	172

4. The total number of active cases currently stands at one thousand seven hundred and fifty-eight (1758). One hundred and seventy-one (173) are hospitalized, of which thirty-three (33) are in ICUs.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 31 March 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Khomas	80	22
Erongo	19	5
Oshana	13	5
Zambezi	13	0
Karas	11	1
Oshikoto	9	0
Omusati	8	0
Hardap	7	0
Otjozondjupa	4	0
Kavango East	3	0
Kunene	2	0
Omaheke	2	0
Ohangwena	2	0
Total	173	33

5. We announce three (3) COVID-19 deaths from Windhoek district.

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 31 March 2021

District	Sex	Age	Comorbidities	Date of Death	Classification
Windhoek	Male	46	Yes	28/03/2021	COVID-19 Death
	Male	60	Yes	28/03/2021	COVID-19 Death
	Male	81	Yes	30/03/2021	COVID-19 Related Death

We extend sincere condolences to the bereaved families.

6. In the last 24 hours, two hundred and eighty-six (286) COVID-19 vaccine doses were administered, of which one hundred and eighty-six (186) were in Khomas and one hundred (100) in Erongo region. Cumulatively, a total of one thousand five hundred and one (1501) vaccine doses have been administered since the roll-out.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccines administered, 31 March 2021

Region	Doses administered in last 24hrs	Total doses administered since the roll-out
Khomas	186	1157
Erongo	100	344
Total	286	1501

7. *Table 6: Summary of the national update, 31 March 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	44 139
Newly confirmed	88
Recoveries	41 848
Recovery rate	95%
Active cases	1 758
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccines doses administered	1501
COVID-19 Deaths	423
COVID-19 Related Deaths	100
Total Deaths	523
Total samples tested	347 135
Active contacts	4 154
Cumulative number of people quarantined	41 342
Number of quarantined people discharged	39 694
Number of people in quarantines	1 648

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