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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

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**WINDHOEK**

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1. We announce eighteen **(18)** new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand one hundred and sixty-one **(1 161)** results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **1.6%** positivity ratio. The sex distribution is ten **(10)** females and eight **(8)** males. The age range is from thirteen **(13)** years to sixty-eight **(68)** years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

*Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 19 October 2021*

| Region       | NEW CASES | DISTRICTS  | NEW CASES |
|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Kharas       | 10        | Luderitz   | 10        |
| Khomas       | 4         | Windhoek   | 4         |
| Omusati      | 3         | Oshikuku   | 3         |
| Erongo       | 1         | Walvis Bay | 1         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>18</b> |            | <b>18</b> |

2. Of the confirmed cases, two (2) are learners from different schools and one (1) is a student.
3. One (1) case is fully vaccinated with the COVID-19 vaccine.
4. We have recorded fifty (50) new recoveries from seven (7) regions:

*Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 19 October 2021*

| Region       | Number    |
|--------------|-----------|
| Hardap       | 19        |
| Ohangwena    | 13        |
| Khomas       | 7         |
| Omusati      | 5         |
| Oshikoto     | 3         |
| Zambezi      | 2         |
| Kunene       | 1         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>50</b> |

5. The number of active cases is eight hundred and sixty-nine **(869)**. Fifty **(50)** are hospitalized, of which six **(6)** are in ICU. One **(1)** hospitalized case have received second dose of Covid-19 vaccine. None of those admitted in Intensive Care Unit is vaccinated.

*Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 19 October 2021*

| Region       | Hospitalized |           | Vaccinated           |                      | Intensive Care Unit |          | Vaccinated           |                      |
|--------------|--------------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------|----------------------|----------------------|
|              | Current      | Previous  | 1 <sup>st</sup> dose | 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose | Current             | Previous | 1 <sup>st</sup> dose | 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose |
| Oshana       | 11           | 8         | 0                    | 0                    | 3                   | 2        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Omusati      | 8            | 7         | 1                    | 0                    | 0                   | 0        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Ohangwena    | 8            | 6         | 0                    | 0                    | 0                   | 0        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Kunene       | 6            | 6         | 0                    | 0                    | 0                   | 0        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Kavango East | 5            | 5         | 0                    | 1                    | 1                   | 1        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Khomas       | 4            | 5         | 0                    | 0                    | 1                   | 1        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Oshikoto     | 3            | 6         | 0                    | 0                    | 1                   | 1        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Kharas       | 3            | 4         | 0                    | 0                    | 0                   | 0        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Erongo       | 1            | 1         | 0                    | 0                    | 0                   | 0        | 0                    | 0                    |
| Kavango West | 1            | 1         | 0                    | 0                    | 0                   | 0        | 0                    | 0                    |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>50</b>    | <b>49</b> | <b>1</b>             | <b>1</b>             | <b>6</b>            | <b>5</b> | <b>0</b>             | <b>0</b>             |

6. We are reporting three (3) deaths from 2 districts.

*Table 4a. Summary of deaths, 19 October 2021*

| District     | Sex      |          | Total    | Classification |                     | Home death | Comorbidity |
|--------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|---------------------|------------|-------------|
|              | M        | F        |          | Covid death    | Covid-related death |            |             |
| Engela       | 1*       | 1        | 2        | 1              | 1                   | 1          | 1           |
| Eenhana      | 0        | 1        | 1        | 1              | 0                   | 0          | 1           |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>2</b>       | <b>1</b>            | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>    |

\*Home deaths

*Table 4b. Age group and vaccination status of the deceased 19 October 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        | 0             | 0                  | 0        |
| 60-69        | 0             | 0                  | 0        |
| 70-79        | 1             | 0                  | 0        |
| 80-89        | 0             | 0                  | 0        |
| 90+          | 2             | 0                  | 0        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>3</b>      | <b>0</b>           | <b>0</b> |

7. One (1) death occurred on the 02 September 2021. Two (2) deaths occurred between 13-15 October 2021. One (1) of the deceased from Engela district died at home. None of the deceased was vaccinated.
8. By 18 October 2021, a total of **302 500** people have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, of which **36 651** have received the Janssen & Johnson vaccine, which is only administered as one dose, while **195 897** had received two doses. Therefore, **232 548** have completed the vaccination, as depicted on tables 5 and 6 below.

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

|              | Sinopharm  |                | AsraZeneca |               | Sputnik V |            | Pfizer    |            | J&J         |               | Grand total 2nd dose |
|--------------|------------|----------------|------------|---------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Region       | New        | All            | New        | All           | New       | All        | New       | All        | New         | All           |                      |
| Erongo       | 57         | 14 990         | 23         | 12 754        | 0         | 2          |           | 37         | 211         | 3 684         | 31 467               |
| Hardap       | 62         | 11 707         | 22         | 5 169         | 0         | 0          |           | 5          | 118         | 2 123         | 19 004               |
| Kharas       | 24         | 8 344          | 0          | 3 536         | 0         | 15         |           | 0          | 143         | 1 597         | 13 477               |
| Kavango East | 107        | 8 308          | 26         | 5 446         | 0         | 5          |           | 0          | 548         | 1 883         | 15 637               |
| Kavango West | 39         | 3 481          | 94         | 3 030         | 0         | 0          |           | 0          | 519         | 1 555         | 8 066                |
| Khomas       | 83         | 39 618         | 25         | 28 739        | 0         | 0          | 62        | 859        | 508         | 9 518         | 78 821               |
| Kunene       | 63         | 10 287         | 21         | 5 074         | 0         | 0          | 0         | 0          | 168         | 3 014         | 18 375               |
| Ohangwena    | 119        | 13 803         | 8          | 4 808         | 0         | 0          | 0         | 0          | 225         | 2 030         | 20 641               |
| Omaheke      | 4          | 7 775          | 8          | 4 637         | 0         | 0          | 0         | 0          | 92          | 1 783         | 14 195               |
| Omusati      | 161        | 11 822         | 70         | 6 823         | 0         | 0          | 0         | 0          | 315         | 1 703         | 20 348               |
| Oshana       | 21         | 11 415         | 4          | 4 612         | 0         | 14         | 0         | 0          | 89          | 1 604         | 17 645               |
| Oshikoto     | 34         | 11 140         | 4          | 3 578         | 0         | 0          | 0         | 0          | 109         | 1 999         | 16 717               |
| Otjozondjupa | 75         | 11 767         | 56         | 7 935         | 0         | 0          | 0         | 0          | 148         | 3 679         | 23 381               |
| Zambezi      | 10         | 3 347          | 2          | 900           | 0         | 0          | 0         | 0          | 37          | 479           | 4 726                |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>859</b> | <b>167 804</b> | <b>363</b> | <b>97 041</b> | <b>0</b>  | <b>103</b> | <b>82</b> | <b>901</b> | <b>3230</b> | <b>36 651</b> | <b>302 500</b>       |

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2<sup>nd</sup> dose, 19 October 2021

|              | Sinopharm                |                          | AstraZeneca              |                          | Sputnik V                |                           | Pfizer                   |                          | Grand total 2nd dose |
|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Region       | New 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose | All 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose | New 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose | All 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose | New 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose | All 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses | New 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose | All 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose |                      |
| Erongo       | 115                      | 12 429                   | 127                      | 9 346                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 21 775               |
| Hardap       | 89                       | 9 202                    | 16                       | 3 310                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 12 512               |
| Kharas       | 100                      | 6 752                    | 11                       | 2 580                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 9 332                |
| Kavango East | 206                      | 5 364                    | 72                       | 2 972                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 8 336                |
| Kavango West | 106                      | 3 031                    | 39                       | 2 430                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 5 461                |
| Khomas       | 291                      | 31 592                   | 129                      | 20 288                   | 0                        | 7                         | 0                        | 10                       | 51 897               |
| Kunene       | 111                      | 6 834                    | 12                       | 3 018                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 9 852                |
| Ohangwena    | 349                      | 9 751                    | 34                       | 3 373                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 13 124               |
| Omaheke      | 41                       | 5 125                    | 35                       | 2 436                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 7 561                |
| Omusati      | 329                      | 9 231                    | 153                      | 4 699                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 13 930               |
| Oshana       | 103                      | 9 220                    | 56                       | 3 215                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 12 435               |
| Oshikoto     | 111                      | 8 731                    | 27                       | 2 458                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 11 189               |
| Otjozondjupa | 81                       | 9 627                    | 39                       | 5 476                    | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 15 103               |
| Zambezi      | 26                       | 2 718                    | 3                        | 672                      | 0                        | 0                         | 0                        | 0                        | 3 390                |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>2 058</b>             | <b>12 9607</b>           | <b>753</b>               | <b>66 273</b>            | <b>0</b>                 | <b>7</b>                  | <b>0</b>                 | <b>10</b>                | <b>195 897</b>       |

9. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 19 October 2021*

|                                                   |                |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Cumulative confirmed cases                        | 128 395        |
| Newly confirmed                                   | 18             |
| Recoveries                                        | 123 971        |
| Recovery rate                                     | 97%            |
| Active cases                                      | 869            |
| Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 <sup>st</sup> doses | <b>302 500</b> |
| Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses | 195 897        |
| Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed             | <b>232 548</b> |
| COVID-19 Deaths                                   | 3 254          |
| COVID-19 Related Deaths                           | 289            |
| Total Deaths                                      | <b>3 543</b>   |
| Total samples tested                              | 734 815        |
| Active contacts                                   | 891            |
| Cumulative number of people quarantined           | 79 955         |
| Number of quarantined people discharged           | 79 271         |
| Number of people in quarantines                   | 684            |

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