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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

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WINDHOEK

**Check against Delivery*

1. Good afternoon fellow Namibians. Today, we have received 1,907 results. Of these, 180 samples tested positive for COVID-19. Ninety-one (91) are males and eighty-nine (89) are females. The youngest is one (1) year and the oldest is seventy-three (78) years old.
2. The confirmed cases are distributed as follows:

Table 1: New Covid-19 positive cases

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	99	Windhoek	99
Erongo	37	Walvis Bay	23
		Swakopmund	13
		Usakos	1
Karas	10	Keetmanshoop	4
		Karasburg	3
		Lüderitz	3
Hardap	9	Rehoboth	8
		Mariental	1
Kavango East	9	Rundu	9
Otjozondjupa	8	Okahandja	7
		Otjiwarongo	1
Zambezi	4	Katima Mulilo	4
Omaheke	2	Gobabis	2
Oshana	1	Oshakati	1
Kavango West	1	Nankundu	1
Total	180	180	

3. Since the 5 September 2020, a total of 1 199 contacts were swabbed and 434 (36%) tested positive. This represent 55% of the total confirmed cases recorded in the last five days. Out of 434 contacts who tested positive, 303 (69%) did not present any symptoms consistent with COVID-19. Hence, we urge the public to exercise extra cautions and those who tested positive to provide necessary information for effective contacts tracing.
4. Today we are reporting **659** new recoveries. This brings the total recoveries to **4 640**.

Table 2: New recoveries per region

Region	Number
Khomas	545
Erongo	59
Ohangwena	18
Hardap	12
Kavango East	11
Omusati	10
Otjozondjupa	4
Total	659

5. The total number of active cases now stands at **4 375**. Of the active cases, thirteen (13) are in severe to critically sick conditions.

Table 3: Distribution of Severity of cases per region

Region	Severe	Critical	Total
Erongo	1	4	5
Khomas	2	6	8
Total	3	10	13

6. Sadly, we are announcing **two** COVID-19 deaths, one from **Windhoek** and one from **Keetmanshoop district**.

Table 4: Distribution of deaths per district

District	Age	Sex	Date of death	Place of death	Comorbidities	Classification
Windhoek	76	F	04/09/2020	Hospital	Yes	COVID-19 death
Keetmanshoop	48	M	08/09/2020	Hospital	Yes	COVID-19 death
Total: (2)	Male-1, Female-1					

7. We extend our sincere condolences to the bereaved family.

8. **Table 5: Summary**

Cumulative confirmed cases	9 108
Newly confirmed	180
Recoveries	4 640
Active cases	4 375
Deaths	93
Active contacts	9 562
Total samples tested	74 093
Cumulative number of people quarantined	11 768
Number of quarantined people discharged	10 428
Number of people in quarantines	1 340

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