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

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1. Good afternoon fellow citizens. Today, twenty-nine (29) confirmed COVID-19 cases were identified from one thousand and sixty-six (1,066) results received from the testing laboratories. This represents a 2.7% positivity ratio. The gender distribution of the positive cases is seventeen (17) males and twelve (12) females. The ages range is from one (1) year to seventy-eight (78) years. The new COVID-19 positive cases are distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Oshana	16	Oshakati	16
Hardap	5	Rehoboth	5
Khomas	5	Windhoek	5
Oshikoto	3	Omuthiya	2
		Onandjokwe	1
Total	29		29

2. We continue to record many confirmed cases of COVID-19 coming from institutions. Of the 16 cases reported from Oshana region, 13 are from schools and a correctional facility.
3. We urge the public to continue adhering to COVID-19 prevention measures, particularly in enclosed spaces. Wear a mask, clean your hands by washing regularly with soap and running water and or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer and observe social distancing.
4. We have noted with satisfaction that most political parties do observe the public health measures during their political campaign rallies. We encourage this to be the norm rather than the exception and call on all political parties to do the same.
5. Today we are reporting fifteen (15) new recoveries from Oshana region. This brings the total number of recoveries to 11 620.
6. The total number of active cases now stands at 1 484. Of the active cases, three (3) are in severe or critical conditions.

Table 2: Distribution of severity of cases per region

Region	Severe	Critical	Total
Khomas	1	1	2
Oshana	0	1	1
Total	1	2	3

7. *Table 3: Summary of the update*

Cumulative confirmed cases	13 240
Newly confirmed	29
Recoveries	11 620
Active cases	1 484
COVID-19 Death	105
COVID-19 Related Death	29
Total Deaths	134
Active contacts	5 675
Total samples tested	135 335
Cumulative number of people quarantined	19 252
Number of quarantined people discharged	18 887
Number of people in quarantines	365

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