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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 received a total number of 1 133 results. Sixty-nine 69 samples tested positive for COVID-19. The gender ratio is fifty (50) males and nineteen (19) are females. The ages range from one (1) month to fifty-eight (58) years. The confirmed cases are distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	30	Windhoek	30
Oshana	28	Oshakati	28
Otjozondjupa	3	Okahandja	3
Hardap	3	Mariental	3
//Karas	2	Karasburg	1
		Luderitz	1
Omaeke	2	Gobabis	2
Erongo	1	Walvis Bay	1
Total	69		69

2. The number from Windhoek include learners from different schools, inmates and correctional officers. All the cases from Oshana are from one correctional facility, made up of 26 inmates and 2 officers. The calculated positivity ratio is 6.1%, compared to 1.9% yesterday.
3. Today we are reporting 25 new recoveries. This brings the total recoveries to 10 145.

Table 2: New recoveries per region

Region	Number
Khomas	24
Oshana	1
Total	25

4. The total number of active cases now stands at 1 794. Seven (7) of the active cases are in severe or critical conditions.

Table 3: Distribution of severity of cases per region

Region	Severe	Critical	Total
Erongo	0	2	2
Khomas	1	4	5
Total	1	6	7

5. We regret to report one Covid-19 death of a 68 year old male from Windhoek, who had multiple comorbidities. He presented to a health facility on 20 September 2020 with symptoms consistent with COVID-19. He was swabbed on the same day and the results came out positive on 21 September 2020. The patient was admitted on the 24 September 2020 in a severe state where his condition continued to deteriorate and he passed away on the 12 October 2020. We extend our sincere condolences to the bereaved family.

Table 4: Summary of the update

Cumulative confirmed cases	12 069
Newly confirmed	69
Recoveries	10 145
Active cases	1 794
COVID-19 deaths	101
COVID-19 related deaths	29
Total deaths	130
Active contacts	7 736
Total samples tested	112 448
Cumulative number of people quarantined	16 915
Number of quarantined people discharged	15 814
Number of people in quarantines	1 101

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