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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

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1. Good afternoon fellow Namibians. Today, we have received a total number of 947 results. Thirty-three (33) samples tested positive for COVID-19. The gender ratio is twenty (20) males to thirteen (13) females. The ages range from 2 years to sixty-six (66) years. The confirmed cases are distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Oshana	9	Oshakati	9
Kavango East	6	Rundu	6
Otjozondjupa	6	Okahandja	5
		Otjiwarongo	1
Khomas	4	Windhoek	4
Erongo	2	Walvis Bay	2
Omusati	2	Outapi	1
		Okahao	1
Oshikoto	1	Onandjokwe	1
Ohangwena	1	Engela	1
Hardap	1	Rehoboth	1
Zambezi	1	Katima Mulilo	1
Total	33		33

2. The Oshakati cases include 8 learners from Oshakati Senior Secondary School. This brings a total of learners infected by COVID-19 to 77 within four days at the same school.
3. Today we are reporting 4 new recoveries from Ohangwena region. This brings the total recoveries to 10 426.
4. The total number of active cases now stands at 1 769. Of the active cases, four (4) are in severe to critically sick conditions.

Table 2: Distribution of severity of cases per region

Region	Severe	Critical	Total
Erongo	1	1	2
Khomas	1	1	2
Total	2	2	4

5. *Table 4: Summary of the update*

Cumulative confirmed cases	12 326
Newly confirmed	33
Recoveries	10 426
Active cases	1 769
COVID-19 deaths	102
COVID-19 related deaths	29
Total deaths	131
Active contacts	7 538
Total samples tested	117 052
Cumulative number of people quarantined	17 401
Number of quarantined people discharged	16 331
Number of people in quarantines	1 070

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