COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN NIGERIA
Situation Report
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HIGHLIGHTS

This is the 13th national situation report, following confirmation of the first case of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Nigeria on 27th February 2020.

- On the 12th of March 2020, **two new** persons were screened for COVID-19. **No new** confirmed case of COVID-19 recorded in Nigeria
- Cummulatively, there are **two** confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Nigeria
- Apart from the index case, a total of 42 people have been screened for COVID-19 in 7 States (Edo, FCT, Kano, Lagos, Ogun, Rivers, and Yobe) out of which 41 tested negative and have been ruled out, while one, a contact of index case was confirmed positive with no death
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- The two confirmed cases are clinically stable at the designated treatment facility for COVID-19 at the Infectious Disease Hospital (IDH) Yaba, Lagos

- Global situation: As at 11th March 2020, a total of 118,326 confirmed cases reported (68% cases in China) and 4,292 deaths. Number of countries/territories/areas affected within the last 24 hours increased by 4 countries (Bolivia, Jamaica, Burkina Faso and Democratic Republic of the Congo) making a total of 114 countries[1].

- As of 10th March, 12 of 54 countries in Africa with reported cases; Algeria, Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco, Senegal, Nigeria, South Africa, Cameroon, Burkina Faso, Togo, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Cote d Ivoire.

- WHO has described the outbreak as a pandemic

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION

- On 27th February, a 44-year old Italian citizen was diagnosed of COVID-19 in Lagos State. The case is the first to be reported in Nigeria since the first confirmed case was reported from China in January 2020. The case arrived the Murtala Muhammed International Airport, Lagos at 10pm on 24th February 2020 aboard Turkish airline from Milan, Italy. He traveled on to his company

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[1] https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports/

site in Ogun state on 25th February. On 26th February, he presented at the staff clinic in Ogun and there was high index of suspicion by the managing physician. He was referred to IDH Lagos and COVID-19 was confirmed on 27th February.

- On 8th March 2020, 40 asymptomatic contacts to the index case and under quarantine were tested for SARS-CoV-2 following WHO recommendations. One of the contacts in Ogun was confirmed positive and is currently receiving care at IDH, Lagos.

Table 1: Summary of COVID-19 cases in Nigeria

States	Total number of people screened	Lab Confirmed	Deaths in confirmed cases
Edo	1	0	0
FCT	11	0	0
Kano	1	0	0
Lagos	23	0	0
Ogun	4	2*	0
Rivers	1	0	0
Yobe	1	0	0
Total	42	2	0

One new confirmed case is an asymptomatic contact to the index case

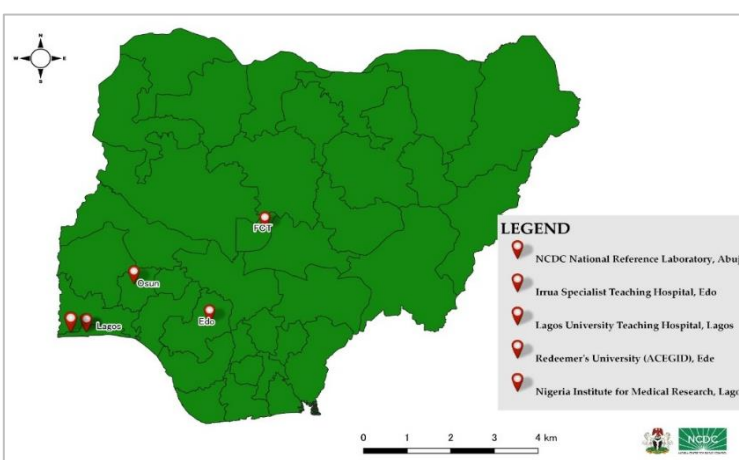**Figure 1: Map of Nigeria showing COVID-19 affected State**

Figure 2: Map of COVID-19 testing laboratories in Nigeria

MAJOR RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

- On 28th February 2020, a multi-sectoral emergency operations centre (EOC) was activated at Level 3, the highest emergency response level in Nigeria. This is led by NCDC
- Risk assessment and categorisation of countries. Update of Nigeria's COVID-19 case definition
- Case management of confirmed cases following WHO recommendations
- Surveillance strengthening continuing at priority PoE
- Risk communications using traditional and social media