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COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN NIGERIA

Situation Report

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HIGHLIGHTS

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

- As at 4th March, there is no **new** confirmed case in Nigeria
- A total of 18 suspected cases (1 new) were identified across 4 States (Lagos, Ogun, FCT and Kano) out of which 1 was confirmed positive (index case) with no death.
- Out of the 148 passengers on the manifest of the index case flight, 78 have been interviewed. No new contacts have been reported in Lagos and Ogun States
- The confirmed case is clinically and psychologically stable at the designated treatment facility for COVID-19 at the Infectious Disease Hospital (IDH), Yaba, Lagos.
- A multi-sectoral national emergency operations centre (EOC), activated at level 3, continues to coordinate the national response activities
- Global situation: As at 3rd March, 2020, a total of 90,870 confirmed cases reported (88.4% cases in China); 3,112 deaths. Number of countries affected within the last 24 hours increased by 8 (Andorra, Jordan, Latvia, Morocco, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, and Tunisia) making total of 72 countries with only 6 in Africa: Algeria, Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco, Senegal and Nigeria¹.

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 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. Contacts of the index case were identified as follows: 124 contacts identified in Lagos state; 40 contacts identified in Ogun state.

¹https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/coronaviruse/situation-reports/20200303-sitrep-43-covid-19.pdf?sfvrsn=2c21c09c_2

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Table 1: Summary of COVID-19 cases in Nigeria

States	Total Suspect Cases	Lab Confirmed	Deaths	Contacts under-follow-up	HCW Contacts under follow-up	Total Contacts under follow up
Ogun	3	1	0	35	5	40
Lagos	7	0	0	21	0	21
FCT	7	0	0	0	0	0
Kano	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	18	1	0	56	5	61

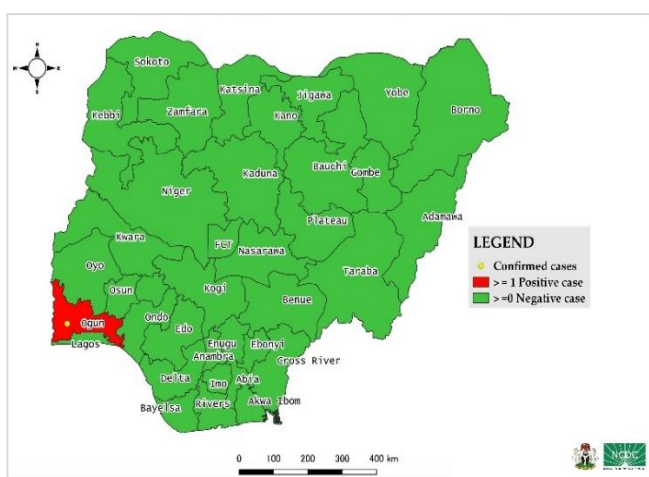


Figure 1: Map of Nigeria showing COVID-19 affected State



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

MAJOR RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

- The National EOC Incident Manager and Senate President visited the isolation facility at University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Gwagwalada
- Field investigations are ongoing and all contacts undergoing daily symptom monitoring
- Five laboratories have capacity for in-country testing for COVID-19: NRL- Abuja, NIMR-Lagos, LUTH-Lagos, ISTH-Edo and African Centre of Excellence for Genomics of Infectious Diseases - Osun
- Designed and published infographics on various media channels
- Second training conducted in collaboration with Guild of Medical Directors (GMD) - representatives from private health facilities
- COVID-19 IPC scorecard under development

The following resources on COVID-19 have been developed by the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control:

- [Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Health Workers](#)
- [Recommendations on use of Personal Protective Equipment for Health workers](#)
- [Public health advisory to Nigerians. Version 4 published on the 29th of February 2020](#)
- [Case-definition to guide diagnosis in Nigeria](#)
- [Answers to Frequently Asked Questions](#)

