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COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN NIGERIA

Situation Report

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HIGHLIGHTS

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

- As at 5th March, there is no **new** confirmed case in Nigeria
- A total of 19* suspected cases (1 new and laboratory result pending) 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, **55** are actively being followed up. No new contacts have been reported in Lagos and Ogun States
- The confirmed case is clinically 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
- Senate Committee on Health conducted follow up visit to the isolation facility at University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Gwagwalada
- Global situation: As at 4th March, 2020, a total of 93,090 confirmed cases reported (88.4% cases in China); 3,198 deaths. Number of countries affected within the last 24 hours increased by 4 (Argentina, Chile, Poland and Ukraine) making total of 76 countries with six of these in Africa: Algeria, Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco, Senegal and Nigeria¹.
- The WHO global risk assessment remains at 'Very High'

* Passenger with travel history from France

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

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

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follows:81** contacts identified in Lagos state and 61 are under followup; 40 contacts identified in Ogun state and all under followup.

** Based on updated information at the time of publication

Table 1: Summary of COVID-19 cases in Nigeria

| States | Total Suspect Cases | Lab Confirmed | Deaths | Total contacts | Total Contacts under follow-up | HCW Contacts under follow-up |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------|----------|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Ogun | 3 | 1 | 0 | 40 | 40 | 5 |
| Lagos | 8 | 0 | 0 | 81 | 61 | 0 |
| FCT | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kano | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 19 | 1 | 0 | 121 | 101 | 5 |

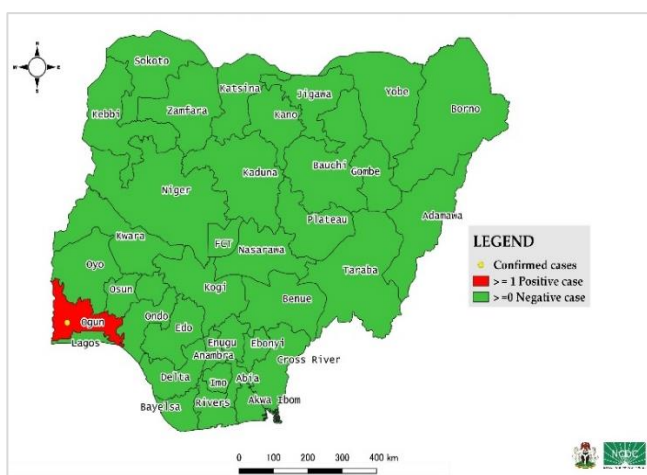


Figure 1: Map of Nigeria showing COVID-19 affected State



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

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
- COVID-19 guidance for schools in Nigeria developed and published by NCDC
- New video on COVID-19 preventive measures done with Nollywood actress Funke Akindele with support from Dettol Nigeria has been shared
- The national and State (Ogun and Lagos) level EOC meetings are held daily
- Field investigations are ongoing and all contacts are undergoing daily symptom monitoring
- Training held for all Medical Officers for Health from the 20 LGAs in Ogun State
- COVID-19 IPC scorecard deployed

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

- Guidance for schools in Nigeria
- [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](#)

