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COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN NIGERIA

Situation Report

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HIGHLIGHTS

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

- On the 9th of March 2020, **one new** confirmed case of COVID-19 was announced in Nigeria. This case is a contact of the index case
- Cumulatively, there are **two** (2) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Nigeria
- A total of 27 people have been screened for COVID-19 (1 new) in 5 States (Edo, Lagos, Ogun, FCT and Kano) out of which 26 tested negative and have been ruled out, while two (2) were confirmed positive (index case and a contact of index case) with no death
- A total of 216¹ contacts were linked to the index case comprising of four contacts at the airport, four at the hotel, 39 at the workplace and 169 from the airline
- Of the 216, 45 travelled out of Nigeria and 171 are presently in Nigeria
- Of the 171 in Nigeria, 69 are in Lagos, 40 in Ogun and 52 are in 10 States (Akwa Ibom, Anambra, Bayelsa, Cross River, Edo, Imo, Ogun, Osun, Oyo, and Rivers) and 11 in unknown locations
- Of the 171 contacts currently in Nigeria, 136 (79%) are currently being followed up comprising 62 (90%) in Lagos, 39 (100%) in Ogun and 34 (65%) in other States
- The two confirmed cases are 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
- The first SARS-CoV-2 gene from the index patient was published online through a joint collaboration between Lagos State Ministry of Health, NIMR, ACEGID, LUTH and NCDC²
- Global situation: As at 8th March 2020, a total of 105,586 confirmed cases reported (76.7% cases in China) and 3,584 deaths. Number of countries/territories/areas affected within the last 24 hours increased by eight countries (Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Faroe Islands, French Guiana, Maldives, Malta, Martinique, and Republic of Moldova) making a total of 102 countries³.
- Nine of 54 countries in Africa with reported cases; Algeria, Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco, Senegal, Nigeria, South Africa, Cameroon and Togo.

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

¹ One contact tested positive, no longer under contacts category

² <http://virological.org/t/first-african-sars-cov-2-genome-sequence-from-nigerian-covid-19-case/421>

³ https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/coronaviruse/situation-reports/20200306-sitrep-46-covid-19.pdf?sfvrsn=96b04adf_2

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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.

- On 8th March 2020, 40 asymptomatic contacts to the index case and under quarantine were tested for SARS-COV2 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

aStates	Total number of people screened	Lab Confirmed	Deaths in confirmed cases
Ogun	3	2*	0
Lagos	12	0	0
FCT	10	0	0
Kano	1	0	0
Edo	1	0	0
Total	27	1	0

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



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

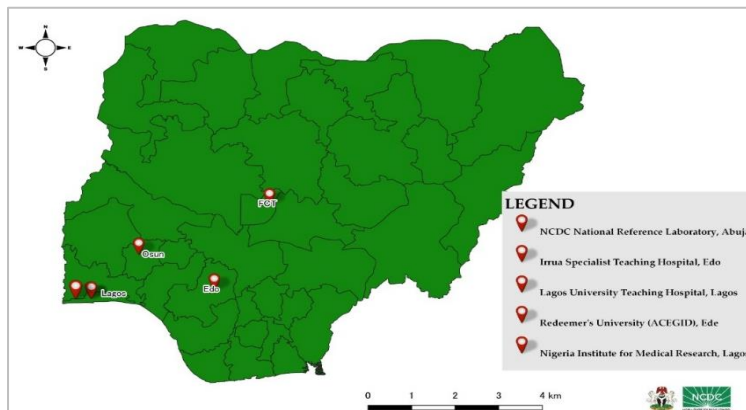


Figure 2: Map of COVID-19 testing laboratories in Nigeria

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
- Field investigations are ongoing and all contacts are undergoing daily symptom monitoring
- Centralised follow up of persons of interest⁴ (POIs) ongoing for persons outside Lagos and Ogun states. State based follow up of contacts in other states (10) ongoing
- Protocol for follow up (2nd) testing for negative cases being implemented

⁴ Travelers from China, Italy, Iran, Japan and South Korea

