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COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN NIGERIA

Situation Report

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HIGHLIGHTS

This is the 14th national situation report, following confirmation of the first case of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Nigeria on 27th February 2020.

- On the 13th of March 2020, **no new** confirmed case of COVID-19 recorded in Nigeria
- Cumulatively, Nigeria has recorded **two** confirmed cases of COVID-19
- Apart from the index case, a total of 43 people have been screened for COVID-19 (1 new) in 7 States (Edo, FCT, Kano, Lagos, Ogun, Rivers, and Yobe) out of which 42 tested negative and have been ruled out, resulting is pending for one, while one, a contact of index case was confirmed positive with no death
- The index case is clinically stable at the designated treatment facility for COVID-19 at the Infectious Disease Hospital (IDH) Yaba, Lagos
- The second confirmed case who was a contact of the index case, has tested negative twice, cleared the virus and discharged to go home
- All other contacts of the index case have completed their follow up period and have been allowed to rejoin society and resume their normal lives
- A multi-sectoral national emergency operations centre (EOC), activated at level 3, continues to coordinate national response activities
- Global situation: As at 12th March 2020, a total of 125,048 confirmed cases reported (65% cases in China) and 4,613 deaths. Number of countries/territories/areas affected within the last 24 hours increased by 4 countries (French Polynesia, Turkey, Honduras and Côte d'Ivoire) making a total of 118 countries¹.
- As of 12th 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

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

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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. Following care, he has now tested negative twice, cleared the virus and discharged from the hospital on the 13th of March.

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 | 24 | 0 | 0 |
| Ogun | 4 | 2* | 0 |
| Rivers | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Yobe | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 43 | 2 | 0 |

*The second confirmed case was an asymptomatic contact to the index case. He has now cleared the virus and has been discharged



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
- Team for centralised follow up calls of persons of interest (POI) increased
- Finalisation of psychosocial guideline for patients with COVID-19 infection
- National preparedness, readiness and response plan for COVID-19 reviewed
- Deployment of Logistic Management Information System (LoMIS) for real-time tracking of COVID-19 commodity stock levels

