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COVID-19 UPDATE

RESULTS OF COVID-19 TESTS DONE ON 06th AUGUST 2020

The Ministry of Health would like to inform the public that Uganda has registered one COVID-19 death today. This brings the total COVID-19 deaths to six (6).

The deceased, is a 70-year-old Ugandan male, a resident of Nateete, Kampala. On 24th July 2020, he presented at Lubaga Hospital with signs and symptoms consistent with COVID-19 which include: mild fever, cough and difficulty in breathing. Further investigations revealed that he was diabetic; a risk factor for COVID-19.

Upon deterioration, he was admitted at the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) at the same hospital and COVID-19 samples were taken off from him and sent to laboratories for analysis. Samples were confirmed for SARS-COV-2.

He was later referred to Mulago National Referral Hospital on 28th July 2020 and admitted at the Intensive Care Unit (ICU). Unfortunately, he passed away yesterday evening on 06th August, 2020. May his soul rest in eternal peace.

In the same vein, thirty-one (31) new COVID-19 cases were confirmed from samples tested on 06th August, 2020. Out of the new confirmed cases; nineteen (19) are alerts, eight (8) are contacts to previously confirmed cases while four (4) are truck drivers.

Regarding the alerts:- four (4) are from Kampala Metropolitan Area, four (4) from Wakiso, one (1) from Sironko, one (1) from Bushenyi, two (2) from Kisoro, four (4) from Amuru, three (3) from Adjumani.

Five (5) contacts to previously confirmed cases are from Kampala Metropolitan Area, one (1) from Kabale, one (1) from Wakiso and one (1) from Namisindwa.

Of the four (4) truck drivers, two (2) arrived from Kenya via Malaba Point of Entry while two (2) arrived from South Sudan via Elegu Point of Entry.

Twenty-five (25) foreign truck drivers (18 Kenyans, 4 Tanzanians, 2 Congolese and 1 Rwandan) tested positive for COVID-19 at the border points of entry and their entry into the country was not permitted.

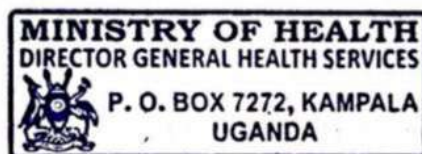
A summary of the results from the laboratory is shown below.

Number of new confirmed cases today	31
Number of Ugandan truck drivers confirmed today	4
Number of alerts confirmed today	19
Number of contacts confirmed today	8
Number of returnees confirmed today	0
Cumulative confirmed cases of Ugandans to-date	1,254



COVID-19 deaths today	1
COVID-19 deaths registered to-date	6
Cumulative Ugandan recoveries to-date	1113
Number of foreign truck drivers who tested positive for COVID-19 and were requested to return to their country of origin	25
Samples from Points of Entry tested today	1,328
Samples from Alerts and Contacts tested today	1,006
Total number of samples tested today	2,334
Cumulative COVID-19 samples tested to-date	290,701

The Ministry of Health would like to appeal to the general public to call the toll free line on **0800-100-066** or **0800-203-033** to report any suspected person with signs and symptoms similar to COVID-19.



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