



NATIONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE ON
CORONAVIRUS
UPDATE ON COVID-19 IN THE COUNTRY AND RESPONSE
MEASURES, AS AT AUGUST 24,2021

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BRIEF NO: 516

PRESS STATEMENT

Today **1,166** people have tested positive for the disease, from a sample size of **9,924** tested in the last 24 hours. The positivity rate is now **11.8%**. From the cases **1,144** are Kenyans while **22** are foreigners. **616** females while **550** are males. The youngest is a **two-month-old infant** while the oldest is **108** years. Total confirmed positive cases are now **230,794** and cumulative tests so far conducted are **2,326,598**.

In terms of **County** distribution; Nairobi **347**, Kiambu **208**, Kajiado **66**, Nakuru **55**, Migori **39**, Murang'a **37**, Machakos **32**, Kitui **32**, Nandi **31**, Garissa **30**, Mombasa **30**, Busia **25**, Nyandarua **24**, Makueni **22**, Nyeri **21**, Baringo **17**, Trans Nzoia **16**, Uasin Gishu **15**, Embu **15**, Kisii **14**, Kakamega **12**, Kericho **11**, Narok **10**, Meru **9**, Laikipia **6**, Kisumu **5**, Siaya **5**, Bungoma **5**, Kilifi **4**, Bomet **3**, Mandera **3**, Marsabit **3**, Samburu **3**, Turkana **2**, Lamu **2**, Homa Bay **2**, Kirinyaga **1**, Tana River **1**, Wajir **1**, West Pokot **1** and Elgeyo Marakwet **1**.

Distribution of positive cases by age is as follows; 0-9 years **(44)**, 10-19 years **(93)**, 20-29 years **(187)**, 30-39 **(277)**, 40-49 **(211)**, 50-59 **(146)**, 60 years and above **(208)**.

Today **1,901** patients have recovered from the disease with **1,699** from the Home-Based Isolation and Care program while **202** are from various health facilities countrywide. Total recoveries now stand at **215,374** of whom **173,951** are from the Home-Based Care and Isolation program, while **41,423** are from various health facilities countrywide.

Unfortunately, **36** patients have succumbed to the disease, **one** of them in the last 24 hours while **35** are late deaths reported after conducting facility record audits in the months of April, May June, July and August 2021. This now pushes the cumulative fatalities to **4,564**. Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of those who have lost their loved ones.

New deaths by age; 0-9 years **(0)**, 10-19 years **(0)**, 20-29 **(0)**, 30-39 years **(3)**, 40-49 years **(6)**, 50-59 years **(5)**, 60 years and above **(22)**.

Cumulative deaths by age; 0-9 years **(57)**, 10-19 years **(35)**, 20-29 **(127)**, 30-39 years **(339)**, 40-49 years **(537)**, 50-59 years **(894)**, 60 years and above **(2,575)**.

A total of **2,013** patients are currently admitted in various health facilities countrywide, while **7,677** are under the Home-Based Isolation and Care program. **156** patients are in the Intensive Care

Unit (ICU), **84** of whom are on ventilatory support and **72** on supplemental oxygen. **No** patient is under observation.

Another **757** patients are separately on supplemental oxygen with **695** of them in general wards and **62** in High Dependency Units (HDU).

VACCINATION:

First doses administered yesterday were **72,760** while second doses were **3,826**.

Cumulatively, **2,501,198** vaccines have so far been administered across the country as of yesterday, August the 23rd 2021. Of these, total first doses are **1,714,858** while second doses are **786,340**. The uptake of the second dose among those who received their first dose is at **45.9%** with the majority being males at **55%** while females are at **45%**. Proportion of adults fully vaccinated is **2.9%**.

The uptake of the second dose by Priority Groups is as follows: Aged 58 years and above **236,040**, Others **234,014** Health

Workers **131,632**, Teachers **119,169** while Security Officers are at **65,485**.

Thank you.

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