



NATIONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE ON

CORONAVIRUS

UPDATE ON COVID-19 IN THE COUNTRY AND RESPONSE

MEASURES, AS AT DECEMBER 21, 2021

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PRESS STATEMENT

Today, **2,844** people have tested positive for the disease, from a sample size of **10,215** tested in the last 24 hours. The positivity rate is now at **27.8%**. From the cases, **2,561** are Kenyans while

283 are foreigners. **1,513** females and **1,331** are males. The youngest is a **one-month-old infant** while the oldest is **98** years. Total confirmed positive cases are now **267,571** and cumulative tests so far conducted are **2,943,979**.

In terms of **County** distribution; Nairobi **1,297**, Nakuru **233**, Kiambu **222**, Kericho **98**, Mombasa **84**, Uasin Gishu **79**, Kajiado **73**, Makueni **63**, Nyeri **54**, Machakos **50**, Kakamega **50**, Laikipia **44**, Murang'a **40**, Kwale **39**, Nyamira **39**, Siaya **39**, Tharaka Nithi **39**, Nyandarua **37**, Kilifi **35**, Kisumu **34**, Nandi **32**, Meru **26**, Homa Bay **22**, West Pokot **20**, Narok **16**, Migori **15**, Bungoma **8**, Elgeyo Marakwet **7**, Taita Taveta **7**, Kirinyaga **7**, Embu **7**, Garissa **6**, Busia **6**, Bomet **5**, Kisii **3**, Kitui **3**, Baringo **1**, Wajir **1**, Trans Nzoia **1**, Turkana **1** and Vihiga **1** .

Distribution of positive cases by age is as follows; 0-9 years **(77)**, 10-19 years **(157)**, 20-29 years **(765)**, 30-39 **(915)**, 40-49 **(474)**, 50-59 **(284)**, 60 years and above **(172)**.

Today **159** patients have recovered from the disease, **82** are from the Home-Based Isolation and Care program while **77** are from various health facilities countrywide. Total recoveries now stand at **249,474** of whom **201,236** are from the Home-Based Care and Isolation program, while **48,238** are from various health facilities countrywide.

Sadly, **one** patient has succumbed to the disease, it being a late death reported after conducting facility record audits in the month of December 2021. This now pushes the cumulative fatalities to **5,354**. Our sincere condolences to the family and friends that have lost their loved ones.

New deaths by age; 0-9 years **(0)**, 10-19 years **(0)**, 20-29 **(0)**, 30-39 years **(0)**, 40-49 years **(0)**, 50-59 years **(0)**, 60 years and above **(1)**.

Cumulative deaths by age; 0-9 years **(58)**, 10-19 years **(39)**, 20-29 **(144)**, 30-39 years **(386)**, 40-49 years **(621)**, 50-59 years **(998)**, 60 years and above **(3,108)**.

A total of **404** patients are currently admitted in various health facilities countrywide, while **6,339** are under the Home-Based Isolation and Care program. **19** patients are in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU), **11** of them on ventilatory support while **8** are on supplemental oxygen.

Another **83** patients are on supplemental oxygen and **79** of them are in the general wards. **Four** patients are in the High Dependency Unit (HDU).

VACCINATION CAMPAIGN:

As of December 20th 2021, a total of **9,057,426** vaccines had so far been administered across the country. Of these, **5,397,849** were partially vaccinated while those fully vaccinated were **3,659,577**. The uptake of the second dose among those who received their first dose was at **56.2%**. Proportion of adults fully vaccinated was **13.4%**. The Government is working towards vaccinating a targeted population of **27,246,033**.

I thank you.

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Cabinet Secretary.