



Ministry of Health

NATIONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE ON

CORONAVIRUS

UPDATE ON COVID-19 IN THE COUNTRY AND RESPONSE

MEASURES, AS AT AUGUST 8, 2022

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BRIEF NO: 861

PRESS STATEMENT

The Ministry is aware of a purported ongoing advisory in the various media platforms to the effect that “***You will not be allowed to vote if you are not wearing a face mask***” during the upcoming voting process scheduled for 9th August 2022.

The Government through the Ministry of Health has been

responding to the pandemic has continuously updated, and reviewed the COVID-19 containment measures guided and based on analysis of the epidemiological situation of the pandemic in the country and other jurisdictions.

With regard to wearing of facemasks, we wish to inform the public that the Ministry has not changed the protocols issued on **04 June 2022**. As such, the wearing of a facemask in open public spaces where one is not in close proximity with others **remains optional**. However, one is required to wear a mask when in contact with other people in closed/confined spaces.

The Ministry therefore has not made the use of facemasks mandatory during the voting process and wearing facemasks remains optional as per our earlier directive.

Wearing of masks is not a mandatory requirement for voting.

Today **21** people have tested positive for the disease, from a sample size of **1,095** tested in the last 24 hours. The positivity rate is now at **1.7%**. From the cases, **14** are Kenyans while **7** are foreigners. **19** are males while **2** are females. The youngest is a **13-year-old** infant while the oldest is **98** years old. Total confirmed positive cases are now **337,874** and cumulative tests so far conducted are **3,833,670**.

In terms of **County** distribution; Nairobi **18**, Kericho, Nakuru and Uasin Gishu **1** case each.

Distribution of positive cases by age is as follows; 0-9 years **(1)**, 10-19 years **(2)**, 20-29 years **(2)**, 30-39 **(10)**, 40-49 **(2)** 50-59 **(2)**, 60 years and above **(2)**.

Today, **50** patients have recovered from the disease, **46** from the Home Based and Isolation Care Program while **4** are from various

facilities countrywide. This pushes the total recoveries to **331,880** of whom **278,304** are from the Home-Based Care and Isolation program, while **53,576** are from various health facilities countrywide.

Fortunately, no patient has succumbed to the disease therefore the cumulative fatalities remain **5,672**.

Cumulative deaths by age remain; 0-9 years (**62**), 10-19 years (**44**), 20-29 (**151**), 30-39 years (**411**), 40-49 years (**652**), 50-59 years (**1,031**), 60 years and above (**3,321**).

There are **44** patients currently admitted in our health facilities, while **278** are under the Home-Based Isolation and Care program. **8** patients are on supplemental oxygen, **1** in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) while **7** are in General Wards.

VACCINATION:

As of August 7th 2022, a total of **20,864,003** vaccines have been administered across the country. Of these, **17,604,731** are doses administered to the adult population (18 years and above). Another **1,879,911** are doses administered to those between 15 to 17 years, **320,980** are below 15 years but above 12 years while **1,058,381** are booster doses.

The total number of vaccines administered in the last 24 hours is **2,943** while the total number of people fully vaccinated in the last 24 hours is **780**. Proportion of adults fully vaccinated was **34.3%**.

The Government is working towards vaccinating a targeted population of **27,246,033**.

The table below shows the total County cumulative trends and proportion of fully vaccinated.

No.	County	Number of adults fully vaccinated	Target Population above 18 years	% of fully vaccinated adults	No.	County	Number of adults fully vaccinated	Target Population above 18 years	% of fully vaccinated adults
1	Nyeri	272,460	510,028	53.4%	25	Bungoma	278,386	843,735	33.0%
2	Nairobi	1,588,852	3,052,494	52.1%	26	Nyandarua	123,825	376,776	32.9%
3	Kisumu	288,707	656,147	44.0%	27	Makueni	190,091	584,379	32.5%
4	Kakamega	431,929	982,838	43.9%	28	Kericho	164,274	508,980	32.3%
5	Siaya	232,784	536,031	43.4%	29	Meru	282,131	949,186	29.7%
6	Nyamira	140,997	341,397	41.3%	30	Elgeyo Marakwet	66,197	243,690	27.2%
7	Nakuru	512,845	1,273,265	40.3%	31	Nandi	132,104	492,652	26.8%
8	Laikipia	122,223	306,448	39.9%	32	Baringo	84,546	338,937	24.9%
9	Migori	219,845	557,657	39.4%	33	Lamu	19,595	83,433	23.5%
10	Taita Taveta	82,437	213,335	38.6%	34	Kitui	137,600	624,506	22.0%
11	Homa Bay	233,064	608,326	38.3%	35	Samburu	31,627	145,608	21.7%
12	Kirinyaga	157,150	413,708	38.0%	36	Turkana	101,297	468,878	21.6%
13	Muranga	252,983	675,364	37.5%	37	Kwale	77,610	451,261	17.2%
14	Trans Nzoia	190,050	518,077	36.7%	38	Kilifi	134,451	784,567	17.1%
15	Kiambu	592,882	1,623,545	36.5%	39	Bomet	76,507	465,963	16.4%
16	Kisii	252,620	697,445	36.2%	40	Narok	83,944	548,229	15.3%
17	Machakos	321,013	905,172	35.5%	41	West Pokot	41,506	283,727	14.6%
18	Uasin Gishu	240,576	693,570	34.7%	42	Garissa	54,098	399,358	13.5%
19	Vihiga	113,880	329,317	34.6%	43	Isiolo	17,518	133,358	13.1%
20	Kajiado	228,908	663,201	34.5%	44	Wajir	37,336	337,296	11.1%
21	Tharaka Nithi	84,806	246,699	34.4%	45	Tana River	16,578	151,051	11.0%
22	Busia	158,252	465,190	34.0%	46	Marsabit	22,813	219,170	10.4%
23	Mombasa	273,266	804,202	34.0%	47	Mandera	35,539	341,857	10.4%
24	Embu	132,698	395,980	33.5%	Total		9,334,800	27,246,033	34.3%

The following table shows the Booster doses administered in the Counties.

No.	County	Received Booster dose	No.	County	Received Booster dose
1	Nairobi	214,397	25	Tharaka Nithi	16,299
2	Nakuru	61,677	26	Machakos	13,463

3	Meru	57,423	27	Laikipia	13,350
4	Muranga	52,440	28	Nandi	10,327
5	Kisumu	42,826	29	Baringo	9,703
6	Kiambu	42,455	30	Kirinyaga	9,410
7	Homa Bay	41,061	31	Elgeyo Marakwet	8,109
8	Kisii	37,069	32	Turkana	7,711
9	Kajiado	34,721	33	Kilifi	7,428
10	Mombasa	30,714	34	Taita Taveta	4,638
11	Uasin Gishu	28,733	35	Samburu	3,289
12	Bungoma	26,868	36	Vihiga	3,273
13	Migori	25,886	37	Bomet	2,775
14	Nyeri	25,616	38	Lamu	2,500
15	Trans Nzoia	25,388	39	Narok	1,892
16	Siaya	24,675	40	Kwale	1,735
17	Kakamega	24,320	41	West Pokot	370
18	Nyamira	24,114	42	Tana River	319
19	Makueni	24,024	43	Garissa	289
20	Embu	21,800	44	Mandera	285
21	Kericho	20,336	45	Isiolo	257
22	Kitui	19,369	46	Wajir	156
23	Nyandarua	18,012	47	Marsabit	129
24	Busia	16,750		Total	1,058,381

I Thank You.

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