COVID-19: MALAWI UPDATES

07 April 2020

Malawi Updates

20 March 2020
Government declares a State of Disaster.

23 March 2020
Schools are closed and gatherings with more than 100 people banned.

01 April 2020
Government closes international airport and stops international passenger buses.

02 April 2020
Government announces first 3 confirmed cases of COVID-19.

04 April 2020
Government announces more prevention measures & a stimulus package to protect the economy.

MALAWI
5 cases
1 death

CLUSTER
1 765 cases
17 deaths

AFRICA
6 986 cases
482 deaths

GLOBAL
1 214 937 cases
67 841 deaths

Malawi Red Cross Response

- 'Trainers of Trainers' among staff and volunteers trained for COIVD-19 prevention.
- In partnership with UNICEF, health workers and border agents trained on COVID-19 and preparedness and prevention activities at the borders.
- Country-wide COVID-19 training for volunteers begun across the country.
- Support given during planning at national level as a key member of the National Working Group on COVID-19.
- Rumour-tracking tool finalised.
- MRCS Business Continuity Plan being finalised and all staff oriented on COVID-19.

Current rumours in circulation: COVID-19 is a disease of white people; smoking can protect one from contracting COVID-19; people who don't shave their beards can easily catch COVID-19.