COVID-19: ZAMBIA UPDATES

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18 March 2020
First 2 confirmed cases of COVID-19.

26 March 2020
Government introduces extensive measures to prevent further spread of COVID-19.

All non-essential travel to all countries banned.

14-day quarantine for state employees returning from COVID-19 affected countries.

Internal movement restricted.

No crowding at work stations.

Conferences, meetings and workshops involving large groups are banned.

ZAMBIA
39 cases
1 death

CLUSTER
1 765 cases
17 deaths

AFRICA
6 986 cases
482 deaths

GLOBAL
1 214 937 cases
67 841 deaths

Zambia Red Cross Response

- Distribution of 65,000 posters and 8,800 flyers that were received from Ministry of Health.
- Participated in all COVID-19 stakeholder meetings coordinated by Ministry of Health.
- Disseminated key public health messages to all 43 branches in 10 districts.
- Helped develop Events Based Surveillance (EBS) and Community Based Surveillance (CBS) guidelines.
- Placement of makeshift handwashing facilities at all entrances of the society's office.
- Finalisation of ZRCS' contingency plan.

First testing capabilities in Zambia were established in Lusaka on 11 February and a second Lusaka-based lab opened on 12 February 2020.