COVID-19: SOUTHERN AFRICA CLUSTER UPDATES

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IFRC

ANGOLA

- 100 young volunteers of the Angola Red Cross trained (CVA) in central Bié province on prevention of COVID-19, as part of government strategy to fight the pandemic in-country.

BOTSWANA

- 20 staff members trained.
- Volunteer training ongoing (8 branches trained so far).
- Printing and distribution of IEC materials.
- Health promotion & community outreach programmes.
- Rollout of safe handwashing interventions.

ESWATINI

- Trained 20 staff members on COVID-19 and safer access
- Secured PPE for 3 Red Cross clinics
- 43 volunteers oriented on community engagement
- Printed and distributed IEC material
- Awareness-raising activities rolled out to nearby communities

LESOTHO

- LRCS COVID-19 contingency plan finalised.
- Volunteers and easy-to-reach communities trained on creation of tippy taps for handwashing.
- All divisions introduced to Risk Communications and Community Engagement (RCCE) .

MALAWI

- Staff and volunteers trained as 'Trainers of Trainers' for COVID-19 prevention.
- MRCS trains health workers and border agents on prevention activities.
- Country-wide training of volunteers on COVID-19
- Rumour-tracking tool finalised.

MOZAMBIQUE

- 341 CVM volunteers trained on COVID-19 pandemic.
- Volunteers from 8 delegations trained for Gaza, Inhambane and Niassa .
- CVM health technicians part of Ministry of Health skype meetings to coordinate government COVID-19 activities.

NAMIBIA

- Mobilized volunteers in 10 regions.
- Trained 87 volunteers in various regions on Covid-19 and psychosocial support.
- Developed communication material to be used as part of the RCCE.
- University of Namibia to manufacture disinfectants and hand sanitizers.

SOUTH AFRICA

- Trained 1074 volunteers from 8 provinces.
- Over 3,266 contacts traced in Bloemfontein Free State in 2 weeks.
- Reached 42,354,000 viewers and listeners with SARCS updates on activities implemented in 8 provinces.

ZAMBIA

- Distributed 65,000 posters and 8,800 flyers that were received from Ministry of Health.
- Disseminated key public health messages to all 43 branches in 10 districts

ZIMBABWE

- Trained over 1,000 staff, volunteers and movement partners on risk Communication and community engagement (RCCE).
- Procured and distributed personal protective equipment, hand sanitizers etc for staff and volunteers.

Truly global, and truly local.

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ANGOLA

20 March 2020
All Angolan borders closed for 15 days

21 March 2020
First 2 confirmed cases of COVID-19

27 March 2020
State of Emergency declared

29 March 2020
First 2 deaths recorded

14 confirmed cases
2 deaths

BOTSWANA

www.moh.gov.bw

24 March 2020
Government closes all borders

29 March 2020
First confirmed cases: three people, two male & one female

02 April 2020
State of emergency & lockdown called for 28 days

4 confirmed cases
1 death

ESWATINI

www.gov.sz/index.php

14 March 2020
First confirmed case of COVID-19

31 March 2020
Government announces an indefinite State of Emergency

02 April 2020
Partial lockdown begins

9 confirmed cases

LESOTHO

www.gov.ls

19 March 2020
Schools and universities closed

31 March 2020
Country is placed into lockdown

02 April 2020
The country has registered no COVID-19 cases

0 confirmed cases

MALAWI

20 March 2020
Government declares a State of Disaster

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

04 April 2020
Government announces more prevention measures and a stimulus package

4 confirmed cases

MOZAMBIQUE

www.misau.gov.mz

22 March 2020
First confirmed case of COVID-19

01 April 2020
State of Emergency begins for 30 days

10 confirmed cases

NAMIBIA

www.mhss.gov.na/

14 March 2020
First confirmed case of COVID-19

17 March 2020
Government declares a State of Emergency

27 March 2020
Partial lockdown begins

16 confirmed cases

SOUTH AFRICA

www.sacaronavirus.co.za.com

05 March 2020
First confirmed case of COVID-19

15 March 2020
Government declares a State of Disaster

27 March 2020
Lockdown begins for 21 days

1 660 confirmed cases
12 deaths

ZAMBIA

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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

39 confirmed cases
1 death

ZIMBABWE

www.mohcc.gov.zw

17 March 2020
Government declares a State of Disaster

21 March 2020
First confirmed case of COVID-19

30 March 2020
Lockdown begins for 21 days

9 confirmed cases
1 death