DAILY UPDATE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE-19

As of 22 March 2020, 4 new countries registered COVID-19. All new countries are from the WHO African Region. Europe remains the new epi-center.

WHO reported confirmed COVID-19, 292 142 (26 069 new) cases and 12 784 (1600 new) deaths, CFR 4.4% have been reported globally. In WHO Africa Region, 739 (167 new) confirmed cases and 20 (8 new) deaths, CFR 2.7% in 36 countries.

Figure 1. Countries, territories or areas with reported confirmed cases of COVID-19, 21 March 2020.

Below is the surveillance update of travellers from countries/areas/territories as at 00.00hrs 22 March 2020.
Table 2. Number of travellers from affected countries/areas/territories under surveillance

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<th>Port of Entry</th>
<th>Arrivals 22/03/20</th>
<th>Travel History</th>
<th>Current on follow up</th>
<th>Discharge no symptoms 22/03/02</th>
<th>Cumulative discharges</th>
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Figure 3: Cumulative people on follow-up for COVID-19 surveillance for Malawi, 21 March 2020
In the past 48 hours the Public Health Reference Laboratory tested 6 samples on RT-PCR and all were negative for COVID-19.

The Ministry of Health and partners continue in its efforts to ensure the citizens are protected from the Coronavirus outbreak and that the country is able to detect and respond to any cases that may arise.

**Some of the activities Being Conducted**

- Continue screening of travellers in all points of entry
- Providing media updates of current global and local situation
- Radio jingles on COVID-19
- Press release
- Private sector engagement
- Dissemination of information through social media (MoH Facebook page: [https://www.facebook.com/malawimoh](https://www.facebook.com/malawimoh))
- Responding to rumours and misinformation to counteract infodemic
- Continuous media engagement
- Capacity building for health workers
- In-country laboratory confirmatory testing for COVID-19
- Weekly technical committee meetings to update strategies as new knowledge comes to light
- Working to establish a toll-free line for inquiries (0887 37 12 88)

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