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ETHIOPIA

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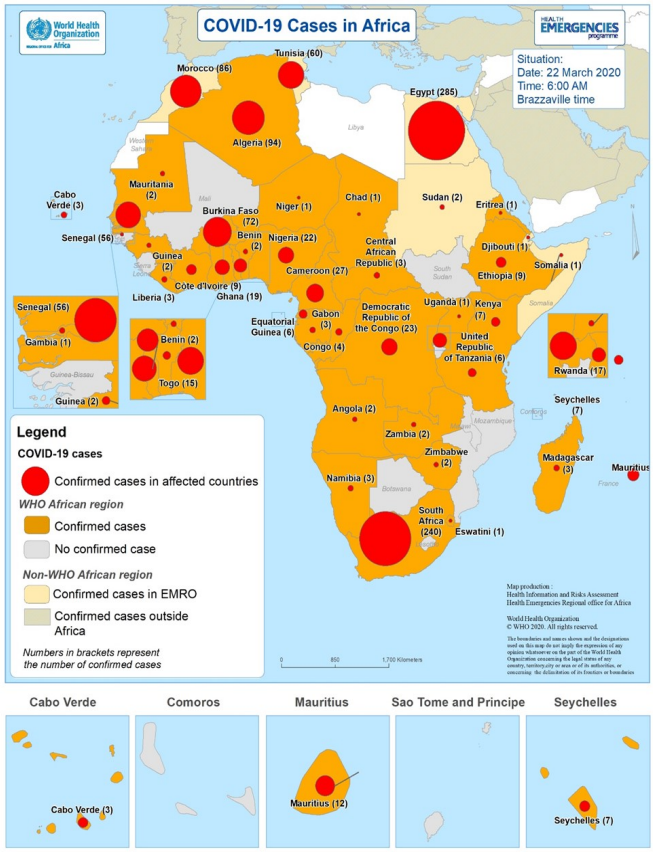
WHAT IS THE SITUATION IN ETHIOPIA

- New reported confirmed cases are 0
- Total number of reported confirmed cases is 11
- Cumulative number of suspected cases is 178
- Cumulative number of suspected cases with Negative Lab result 153
- Cumulative number of registered contacts is 261
- Cumulative number of contacts discharged from the 14-day follow up is 37
- Cumulative number of alerts/rumors is 309
- All travelers to Ethiopia will be subjected to a 14-day mandatory quarantine in designated hotels at their own personal cost effective 23-March-2020

Fig 1: African countries reporting confirmed COVID-19 cases as of March 23, 2020



GLOBALY HIGHLIGHTS

- As of 22-March-2020, there were 292,142 total confirmed cases and 12,784 total deaths with a resultant increase of 9.8% and 14.3% respectively in the last 24 hours
- 169 countries/Regions are affected of which 43 are in Africa region including Ethiopia
- FIFA, the international governing body of football, and the World Health Organization (WHO) have teamed up to combat the coronavirus (COVID-19) by launching a new awareness campaign led by world-renowned footballers, who are calling on all people around the world to follow five key steps (hand washing, coughing etiquette, not touching your face, physical distance and staying home if feeling unwell) to stop the spread of the disease.
- The pandemic is accelerating. It took 67 days from the first reported case to reach the first 100,000 cases, 11 days for the second 100,000 cases and just 4 days for the third 100,000 cases.

Since the first confirmed COVID-19 in Africa was reported in Egypt on 14-Feb-2020, it has since spread to 43 countries in just 38 days with a cumulative number of 1491 cases and 48 deaths with a case fatality rate of 2.3%. This indicates a very clear high speed of transmission which requires complex and high-handed scientific measures to reverse the worsening trend. Therefore, it is everyone' responsibility to practice the necessary preventive measures to stop the pandemic

- Signs and symptoms of COVID-19 are: Fever, Cough, Sore throat, Difficulty in breathing and other flu like symptoms such as running nose and sneezing
- The public is advised to report any suspected cases to the nearest health facility or call **8335** or **+251929908433**

- Take preventive measures extremely seriously
- Avoid hand-shake and hugging at all times
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water or use an alcohol base hand rub
- Get information from reliable sources only