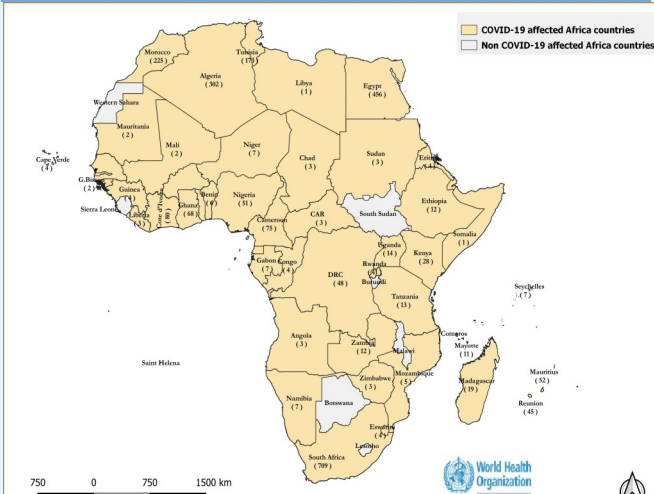| Date	Updated on 26-March 2020 @ 17:00
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WHAT IS THE SITUATION IN ETHIOPIA

New cases	**0**
Total confirmed	**12**
Total suspect cases	**216**
Total contacts	**316**
Total deaths	**0**
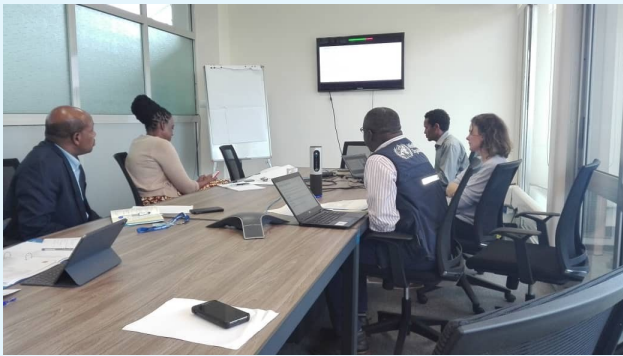
Virtual UNCT concluded to come up with multi-sectorial UN response plan by 27-March-2020

GLOBALY HIGHLIGHTS

♦ As of 24-March-2020, there were 413467 total confirmed cases and 18433 total deaths with a resultant increase of 10.9% and 13.6% respectively in the last 24 hours

♦ 175 countries/Regions are affected of which 49 are in Africa

"*COVID-19 is menacing the whole of humanity – and so the whole of humanity must fight back, individual country responses are not going to be enough*".

"The virus is now spreading in countries with weak health systems, including some which are already facing humanitarian crises", "People and communities that are already uprooted due to conflict, displacement, the climate crisis or other disease outbreaks are the ones we must urgently prioritize".

Fig 1: African countries reporting confirmed COVID-19 cases as of March 26, 2020

♦ 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

♦ Report any suspected cases to the nearest health facility or call **8335** or **+251929908433**

In Africa, only 6 countries namely **Botwana, Lesotho, Malawi, South Sudan, Sierra Leone and Western Sahara** have not reported a single confirmed COVID-19 case.

A total of 2,758 confirmed cases and 83 deaths with a case fatality rate of 3.0%.

THE VIRUS DOESN'T MOVE, PEOPLE MOVE IT. WE STOP MOVING, THE VIRUS STOPS MOVING AND DIES