

Notification Note on COVID-19 Situational Update

The total laboratory tests conducted within 24 hours are 4048; of these eighty- eight (88) of them are confirmed positive for COVID-19 and the total confirmed cases as of today are Five-Hundred-Eighty-Two (582). Among the confirmed cases, 51 of them are male and 37 are female. All of them are Ethiopians and their age ranges from 8 to 75 years. Among the cases seventy-three (73) of them are identified from Addis Ababa (nineteen have contact with a confirmed case, one with a travel history from abroad and fifty-three have no contact with confirmed cases and no travel history), eight (8) from Tigray Region (all with travel history from abroad), four (4) from Oromia region (two with travel history from aboard and two with no known contact with confirmed cases and no travel history), One (1) from Hareri region (with contact with a confirmed case) and two (2) long truck drivers with travel history from abroad.

The potential sources of exposure of the confirmed cases are presented below;

Potential Exposure	Number of Cases
Travel history from abroad	13
Contact with known confirmed cases	20
Cases with no known contact with confirmed cases and no travel history	55
Total	88

Furthermore, one (1) person (from Oromia region) recovered from the disease that makes the total number of recoveries one-hundred-fifty-two (152).

The laboratory samples were collected from the high-risk community members, returnees/passengers at mandatory quarantine centers, contacts of the confirmed cases, health facility visitors and suspects at isolation centers.

Total laboratory test conducted	81,010
Laboratory tests conducted within 24 hours	4,048
Number of Confirmed cases within 24 hours	88
Total patients of COVID-19 in treatment centers	423
Patients in intensive care	0
Newly Recovered	1
Total Recovered	152
Total Deaths	5
Returned to their country	2
Total confirmed cases as of today	582

COVID-19 Situational Update as of Today

Ministry of Health and Ethiopian Public Health Institute would like to wish a happy Eid Al Fitr to all Muslims and recommend taking the following precautions while celebrating this holiday

- Keep our physical distance during Zekatil Fitr,
- Make holiday well fairs through phone calls rather than in person,
- Cover our nose and mouth with face/cloth mask while we are at the market
- Keep our physical distance and clean our hands with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer while shopping goods for the holiday at a nearby market

Strictly adhere to all precautionary measures to protect yourselves and your loved ones from the virus.

For more information or to report if any person had contact with confirmed COVID-19 please call to the free toll line 8335 and 952 or to regular phone 0118276796 and regional toll free lines, or use our email: [-ephieoc@gmail.com](mailto:ephieoc@gmail.com).

Dr. LiaTadesse
Minister of Health
May 24, 2020