

PRESIDENTIAL (COVID-19) TASK FORCE

COVID-19 | LOCKDOWN PHASE

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inister of Health and Wellness, Dr Lemogang Kwape has paid tribute to President Mokgweetsi Masisi and all the healthcare personnel for leading the fight against covid19 pandemic.

Speaking to the Presidential (Covid-19) Task Force Daily Bulletin, Dr Kwape said he had envisaged to lead this year's worker's day celebrations, however due to the pandemic that befell the country and the entire world that will not be possible.

"I wish to profusely thank His Excellency President Mokgweetsi Masisi for leading this fight from the front, all healthcare workers, support staff and all those who are devoted in ensuring that healthcare is rendered in Botswana," he said.

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"On behalf of the nation and indeed on my own behalf, I would like to express our profound gratitude to our doctors, men and women in uniform together with their support staff who are in the frontlines of fighting this pandemic. They have exhibited unparalleled patriotism and commitment to duty." ~ President Mokgweetsi Masisi

CURRENT SITUATION IN NUMBERS

30/04/2020

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Lab Tests Performed & resulted	7698	
Negative Cases	7675	
Positive Cases	23	
Total Deaths	1	
Recoveries	8	
New Confirmed Cases	0	

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The Frontliners Putting Duty Before Self

Dr Kwape stated that great efforts put forward by the front-liners was immeasurable and showed compassionate and great commitment to their work and the health care of all. He continued to say he is humbled by the leadership of His Excellency The President who continues to lead from the front and availing all resources to ensure the virus is contained.

He continued to state that healthcare workers in various facilities across the country showed unremitting efforts with a human face creed that provided hope and adversity to patients and to those who were quarantined.

"ka sengwaketse ra re go tlhaleshwa ka seru", which loosely translates that adversity brings out the best in us.





ealth care workers have faced risks to their physical health since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic. Many have contracted and even died from COVID-19.

The coronavirus pandemic has created what's known as "second victims," according to Curtis Reisinger, a clinical psychologist and the director of the

Employee Assistance Program at Northwell Health in New York, The term refers to health care providers who experience trauma related to a patient's care.

"The pain they are experiencing is sometimes wanting to get closer and wanting to help, but you can't," he said. Because coronavirus is so contagious,

families are not allowed in hospitals and health care workers can't get too close to infected patients, leaving patients alone.

"You can see the fear in somebody's eyes, (but) you can't give them a hug, you can't reassure them," he said. "They're suffering watching what they can't do." Source @CNN

The Lockdown Extended in Phases

Phase I

The current lockdown conditions period will be extend by one week, from May 1st to May 7th, 2020. During this period, The Government will also develop and finalize regulations for a phased lifting of lockdown rules in low risk sectors.

Phase II

Starting from May 8th to May 14th, Government, will lift in a phased manner, some lockdown rules while at the same time introducing additional plans for further lifting of the remaining lockdown rules.

Phase III

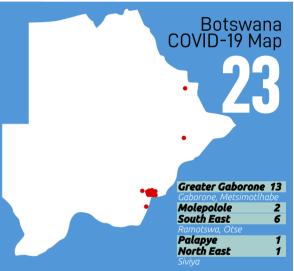
From May 15th to May 22nd, which will be the final week of the lockdown extension. Government will lift the remaining rules from the original lockdown rules implemented on March 30th, 2020.



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COVID-19 Confirmed Cases

USA - 1,056,402	South Africa - 5,647	Mozambique - 76
Spain - 239,629	Egypt - 5,537	Malawi - 37
Italy - 205,463	Ethiopia - 131	Zimbabwe - 40
France = 166,628	Madagascar - 128	Angola - 27
UK - 172,478	Zambia – 106	Botswana - 23
China - 83,944	Eswatini - 100	Namibia - 16



Truck Monitoring 29-30 April 2020

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BORDER	Arrival	Departure
Tlokweng	73	71
Ramatlabama	79	55
Martin's Drift	29	87
Pioneer	58	42
Mamuno	47	54
Kazungula Road Border	20	6
Kazungula Ferry	39	20
Ngoma	0	0
Ramokgwebana	1	11
Mohembo	1	0
Sub Total	347	346
Total		693

HOW TO PUT ON, USE, TAKE OFF AND DISPOSE OF A MASK

To remove the mask: remove it from behind (do not touch the front of mask); discard immediately in a closed bin; clean hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water



COVID-19 E-PERMIT APPLICATION SYSTEM

Applying for Permits for Exceptional Movement of Persons during the State of Public Emergency

Stage 1 | Registration

- I. Log on to www.gov.bw
- II. Applicant's Details A (Personal details)
- III. Contact details of 2 household members (Fill out your contact details)

Stage 2

- I. Click on Category of Permit (Fill appropriate Part)
- II. Essential Services (State)
- III. Transport of Essential Goods
- IV. Special Permit (Select reason)

Stage 3

- I. Notification by sms if Approved
- II. Notification by sms if pending
- III. Notification by sms if not approved
- -NB APPLY THE NEXT DAY IF NOT APPROVED

Please Note

I. The best Permit is to stay home and save lives

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