



NATIONAL EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTRE BULLETIN

COVID-19 | LOCKDOWN

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PRESIDENT MASISI MEETS OPPOSITION LEADERS

His Excellency the President, Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi met with opposition leaders on Monday to seek endorsement for extension of the state of emergency to six months in order to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic.

The President said following the first documentation of the latest local transmission, the country was progressing in the complexity of the pandemic.

"This virus spreads faster than a bush-fire and that is why the prevention strategy will always be our primary strategy."
- HE Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi

CURRENT SITUATION IN NUMBERS

06/04/2020

Lab Tests Performed & resulted	1154
Negative Cases	1148
Positive Cases	6
Total Deaths	1
Total On Facility Quarantine	2081

PREVENT THE SPREAD
OF THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)



WASH HANDS AFTER
BLOWING YOUR NOSE

Opposition Leaders - In their own words



This is not time for politics. It is not time for recriminations. It is not time for courage except collective courage, the only courage that we need. The courage that brings all of us together to share ideas, to exchange views, to give each other feedback so that in the end, how we proceed together is in best possible way.

*Advocate Sidney Pilane
Botswana Movement for Democracy*

We support the state of emergency given the danger of the pandemic, also having the experience from various countries especially Europe that are being affected by Coronavirus.

*Mr Gaontebale Mokgosi
Real Alternative Party*

I wish to implore Batswana to adhere to the instructions as given by the task team especially the advice on staying at home because like they always say, we transport the virus, the virus does not transport itself.

*Mr Wynter Mmolotsi
Alliance for Progressives*

We are committed to join hands with the government and people of Botswana to fight this pandemic to the best of our ability.

*Mr Biggie Butale
Botswana Patriotic Front*

1,341,907

Total Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Worldwide

@Johns Hopkins University & Medicine
06/04/2020

You are not stuck, You are safe at home

#COVID19 and disability

People with disability are at a greater risk of contracting coronavirus because of:



Physical barriers to access hygiene facilities



Need to touch things



Difficulty in enacting social distancing



Difficulty accessing information



#coronavirus

DID YOU KNOW?

Simply being near an infected person who coughs, sneezes, or talks can expose you to their infected respiratory droplets.

Minister of Health and Wellness, Dr Lemogang Kwapo has urged the public to stay at home to avoid the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

In a press briefing to announce two positive cases this week, Minister Kwapo said his Ministry is disturbed by continued movement by people despite the call to stay at home.

"The virus does not move, but people move and as a result move the virus all over," he said. A stay-at-home order or a movement

control order is an order from government to restrict movements of population as a mass quarantine strategy for suppressing or mitigating an epidemic or pandemic by ordering residents to stay home except for essential tasks or going to work in essential businesses.

It should be noted how the virus quickly spreads amongst people with one suspected carrier producing an estimation of 50 suspected cases from their contact list.

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Credit: A drone shot by Private Moswete



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BREACH OF EMERGENCY POWERS (COVID - 19) REGULATIONS, 2020

The Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry has noted with concern some individuals who are selling traditional beer either in liquor outlets or from their homes.

Traders and the General Public are therefore reminded that essential suppliers are open for sale of essential supplies only as list in the Emergency Powers (COVID - 19) Regulations, 2020. Essential Supplies that contravene these Regulations shall be liable to penalties.

For further clarification kindly contact the MITI Public Relations Office at 3601330/209 during working hours or email to MITIPRU@gov.bw or Ministry Facebook page.

Kachikau Police enforces regulations

Kachikau Police have resorted to using the public address PA system to urge people to stay home except for those providing essential service.

The Station Commander Superintendent Setumi Ten Budani said the decision to use a public address system was prompted by the demand for permits following queues at the offices of the District Commissioner.

DID YOU KNOW?

If the virus-containing particles land in your eyes, nose, or mouth, or if it they get on your hands and you rub any of those places on your face, you could possibly get infected. Those infected are capable of spreading it to others even though they don't show any symptoms.

During the period of a lockdown every person shall remain confined to their place of residence, inclusive of the yard space to avoid contact outside his household.

Emergency Powers Act (Cap. 22:04)

Any person who relays any information to the public about COVID-19 from a source other than the Director of Health Services, and the WHO commits an offence and is liable to a fine not exceeding P100 000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years, or to both.

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