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A report on the corona virus pandemic and the effect of the lockdown and

restrictions of movement on Nigerians

The first confirmed case of the <u>pandemic</u> of <u>coronavirus disease 2019</u> in <u>Nigeria</u> was announced on 27 February 2020, when an Italian citizen in <u>Lagos</u> tested positive for the virus, caused by <u>SARS-CoV-2</u>.^{[1][2]} On 9 March 2020, a second case of the virus was reported in <u>Ewekoro</u>, <u>Ogun State</u>, a Nigerian citizen who had contact with the Italian citizen.^[3]

On 28 January 2020, the <u>Federal government of Nigeria</u> assured citizens of the country of its readiness to strengthen surveillance at <u>five international airports</u> in the country to prevent the spread of coronavirus. The government announced the airports as <u>Enugu</u>, <u>Lagos</u>, <u>Rivers</u>, <u>Kano</u> and the <u>FCT</u>.^[4] The <u>Nigeria Centre for Disease Control</u> also announced same day that they had already set up coronavirus group and was ready to activate its incident system if any case emerged in Nigeria.^[5]

On 31 January 2020, following the <u>developments of COVID-19 pandemic in mainland China</u> and other countries worldwide, the federal government of Nigeria set up a Coronavirus Preparedness Group to mitigate the impact of the virus if it eventually spreads to the country.^{[6][2]} On the same day, the <u>World Health Organization</u> listed Nigeria among other 13 African countries identified as high-risk for the spread of the virus.

On 26 February 2020, a <u>Chinese</u> citizen presented himself to the <u>Lagos State government</u> on suspicion of being infected with coronavirus. He was admitted at <u>Reddington Hospital</u> and was released the following day after testing negative.¹⁹

February[edit]

On 27 February, Nigeria confirmed its first case in Lagos State, an Italian citizen who works in Nigeria had returned on 25 February from Milan, Italy through the Murtala Muhammed International Airport, fell ill on 26 February and was transferred to Lagos State biosecurity facilities for isolation and testing.^{[10][11]}

March[edit]

On 9 March, the second case was confirmed, a Nigerian citizen in Ewekoro, Ogun State who had contact with the Italian citizen.^{[12][13][14]}

On 13 March, Nigeria confirmed that the second case no longer had the virus in his system and thus tested negative.^[15]

On 17 March, Nigeria confirmed the third case in Lagos State, A 30-year-old Nigerian female citizen that returned on 13 March from the United Kingdom.^[16]

On 18 March, Nigeria confirmed five new cases of the virus: four of the new cases were discovered in Lagos State, while one was discovered in Ekiti State.^[17]

On 19 March, Nigeria confirmed four new cases of the virus in Lagos State.^{[18][19]} Nigerian government also announced that the Italian citizen who brought coronavirus to Nigeria has tested negative and was discharged the following day.^{[20][21]}

On 21 March, Nigeria confirmed ten new cases: seven in Lagos State, three in the FCT.^[22]

On 22 March, Nigeria confirmed eight new cases: six in Lagos State, one in Oyo State, and one in the FCT.^{[23][24][25]}

On 23 March, Nigeria confirmed ten new cases: six in Lagos State, three in the FCT and one in Edo State.^[26] They also confirmed their first death, a 67-year-old Suleiman Achimugu, an engineer and former managing director of Pipelines and products Marketing Company, who returned from United Kingdom with underlying health conditions.^{[27][28]}

On 24 March, Nigeria confirmed four new cases: one in Lagos State, one in Ogun State, one in Bauchi State, and one in the FCT.^[29]

On 25 March, Nigeria confirmed seven new cases: three in Lagos State, one in Osun State, one in Rivers State, and two in the FCT.^[30]

On 26 March, Nigeria confirmed fourteen new cases: twelve in Lagos State, one in Bauchi State and one in the FCT.^[31] Nigeria announced that they were tracing 4,370 suspected cases of the virus.^[32]

On 27 March, Nigeria confirmed sixteen new cases: eight in Lagos State, three in the FCT, two in Enugu State, two in Oyo State, and one in Edo State.^{[33][34]} On the same day, Lagos State governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu announced that the local governments with the highest number of cases are Eti-Osa and Ikeja.^[35]

On 28 March, Nigeria confirmed sixteen new cases: seven in Lagos State, four in Oyo State, two in the FCT, one in Osun State, one in Kaduna State, and one in Benue State.^{[36][37]}

On 29 March, Nigeria confirmed fourteen new cases: nine in Lagos State, and five in the FCT.^[38]

On 30 March, Nigeria confirmed twenty new cases: thirteen in Lagos State, four in the FCT, two in Kaduna State and one in Oyo State.^[39] Five persons were discharged with one death.^{[40][41]} The suspected cases that Nigeria were tracing, rose to 6,000.^[42]

April[edit]

On 1 April, Nigeria confirmed thirty five new cases: nine in Osun State, nine in Lagos State, seven in the FCT, five in Akwa Ibom State, two in Edo State, one in Ekiti State, one in Kaduna State, and one in Bauchi State.^{[43][44]}

On 2 April, Nigeria confirmed ten new cases: seven in Lagos State, and three in the FCT.^[45] They also announced that eleven persons have been discharged.^[46]

On 3 April, Nigeria confirmed twenty five new cases: eleven in Lagos State, six in Osun State, three in the FCT, three in Edo State, one in Ondo State, and one in Oyo State.^[47] They also announced that five persons have been discharged with two deaths.^[48] Nigeria announced that they have identified about 6,700 contacts and followed up on about 71 percent, testing about 4,000 people and possessing a total of eight testing labs.^[49]

On 4 April, Nigeria confirmed five new cases: three in Bauchi State, and two in the FCT.^[50]

On 5 April, Nigeria confirmed eighteen new cases: eleven in Lagos State, four in the FCT, two in Edo State, and one in Kaduna State.^{[51][52]}

On 6 April, Nigeria confirmed six new cases: two in Kwara State, two in Edo State, one in Rivers State, and one in the FCT.^[53]

On 7 April, Nigeria confirmed sixteen new cases: ten in Lagos State, two in the FCT, two in Oyo State, one in Delta State, and one in Katsina State.^[54]

On 8 April, Nigeria confirmed twenty two new cases: fifteen in Lagos State, four in the FCT, two in Bauchi State, and one in Edo State.^[55]

On 9 April, Nigeria confirmed fourteen new cases: thirteen in Lagos State, and one in Delta State.^[56]

On 10 April, Nigeria confirmed seventeen new cases: eight in Lagos State, three in Katsina State, two in the FCT, one in Niger State, one in Kaduna State, one in Ondo State, and one in Anambra State.^[57] Nigeria announced that they have identified about 8,932 people of interest and monitoring 220.^[58]

On 11 April, Nigeria confirmed thirteen new cases: eleven in Lagos State, one in Delta State, and one in Kano State.^[59]

On 12 April, Nigeria confirmed five new cases: two in Lagos State, two in Kwara State, and one in Katsina State.^[60]

On 13 April, Nigeria confirmed twenty new cases: thirteen in Lagos State, two in Edo State, two in Kano State, two in Ogun State, and one in Ondo State.^[61] Nigeria announced that they have increased testing by 50%, to the current capacity of 1,500 tests per day, testing about 6,000 people and possessing a total of eleven testing labs.^[62]

As of recent the president declared another lockdown for another two week in key states , please you all should stay indoors and be safe

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