

## Republic of South Sudan



### Ministry of Health

#### Update on COVID-19 response

Date: January 17th 2021

In the last 24 hours, the Public Health Laboratory (n=106/1), Nimule (n=41), Bentiu (n=0), Wau (n=0) Bor Hospital (n=0) Malakal (n=2) Torit (n=1), Rumbek (n=0), Nzara(n=0), Yiroi(n=0), Tonj (n=0), Abyei (n=0), Ruweng (n=0) and the UN Clinic (n=0), Med Blue(n=342/6) tested **492** samples and released results. Of these, **7 tested** positive for COVID-19.

#### Overall COVID-19 cases status as of 17/01/2021

Total number of tests performed to date	82,572
Total number of samples pending testing in the last 24 hours	0
New cases confirmed in the last 24 hours	7
Cumulative number of cases confirmed to date	3,749
Total cases currently under follow up/active cases	181
Number of cases that are severe in the IDU	1
Number of cases that are in critical condition in the IDU	0
Number of cases recovered	3,505
Number of new death in the last 24 hours	0
Cumulative number of death	63

#### COVID-19 Contacts Status as of 17/01/2021

Number of contacts currently under follow-up	232
Number of contacts under follow-up reached today	212
Cumulative number of contacts finished 14-day follow-up	9114
Cumulative number of contacts followed	9968

The Ministry of Health is conducting tracing of individuals who had contact with the COVID19 cases. The government urges the public to strictly observe the rules of social distancing and other public health measures declared by the **President of the Republic of South Sudan and High Level Task-Force**. Report any suspected case to nearest health facility or call to **toll free number: 6666**. Continue to observe the instructions of Health Authorities particularly washing hands regularly with water and soap; maintaining physical distance from other people (at least keep 2 meters (6 feet) distance between two individuals) and mandatory facemask or cloth face coverings in public.

For more information please contact South Sudan Public Health Emergency Operation Centre (PHEOC)  
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*Together we shall win the battle against COVID-19*