



Republic of South Sudan

Ministry of Health

Update on COVID-19 response

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2020

In the last 24 hours, the Public Health Laboratory and the UN Clinic tested 81 samples and released results. Of these, four (4) tested positive for COVID19.

**Overall COVID-19 cases status as of 18/07/2020**

Total number of tests performed to date	12,487
New cases confirmed in the last 48 hours	4
Cumulative number of cases confirmed to date	2,204
Total cases currently under follow up/active cases	981
Number of cases that are severe in the IDU	0
Number of cases that are in critical condition in the IDU	0
Number of cases recovered	1,180
Number of new death in the last 48 hours	1
Cumulative number of death	44

**COVID-19 Contacts Status as of 18/07/2020**

Number of contacts currently under follow-up	331
Number of contacts under follow-up reached today	318
Number of contacts finished 14-day follow-up today	4,662
Cumulative number of contacts followed	5,063

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.

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Together we shall win the battle against COVID-19