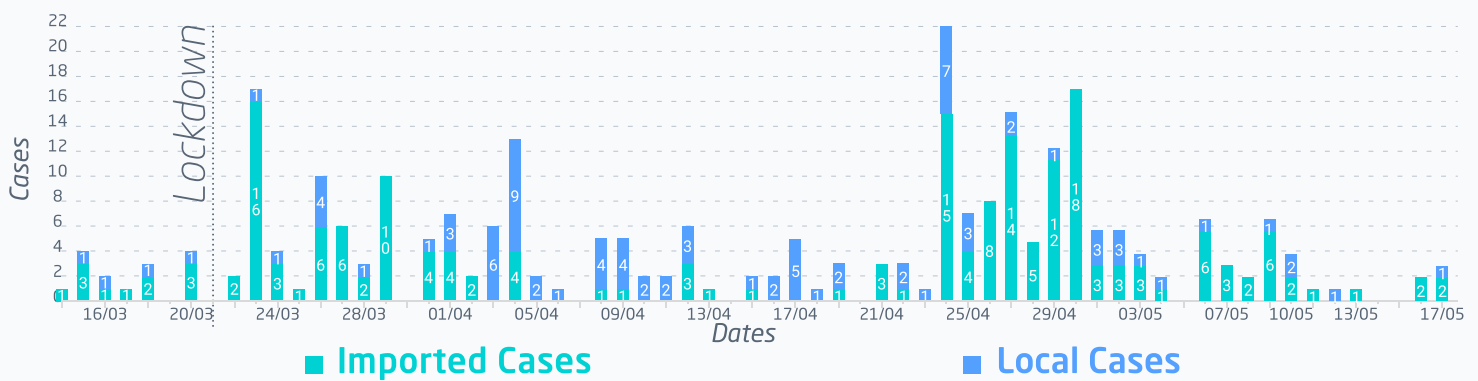




## WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGY BULLETIN

# 11 May, 2020 to 17 May, 2020



### WEEKLY SUMMARY STATISTICS

Confirmed cases			Cases discharged		Deaths	Contacts	
New	Total	Active	New	Total	Total	Follow-up	Cleared
8	292	95	57	197	0	587	3,413

### HIGHLIGHTS

- During the week of 11/05-17/05, 8 additional cases were confirmed and 57 were discharged from treatment centers – no deaths due to COVID19 has been reported so far.
- Following case investigations that revealed possible linkage between infection and certain workplaces and associated occupations, community risk assessment survey was successfully conducted in Kigali from 12th-14th May,2020. A total of 1634 samples were collected. All samples tested negative for COVID-19.
- A bilateral meeting between the Governments of Tanzania and Rwanda was held by video conferencing on 15th May 2020, with the aim to facilitate movement of goods and people at Rusumo border. The meeting agreed that Rwanda will make available mandatory testing facilities for all drivers in transit and those transporting fuel and perishable products.
- Reagents for Abott (M2000) and Roche (COBASS 4800) machines have been procured and will be immediately dispatched to boost testing capacity at central and decentralized levels. This will enhance testing speed and provide critical information on active infections for surveillance and response across the country.
- In addition, The East Africa Community (EAC) with support from Germany donated two mobile PCR platforms (Thermo Cycler) from Bio-Rad. The machines are currently at NRL and can be deployed anywhere in the field to test for COVID-19 in high-risk populations in case of need.
- Guidelines issued by the Cabinet of Ministers for COVID-19 containment after the strict lockdown remain effective until May19th, 2020. Masks must always be worn in public and resumed services must adhere to the guidelines from the Ministry of Health (hand hygiene, wearing a mask and social distancing).
- Active surveillance and containment measures for isolating suspected cases and treating confirmed cases will continue to be implemented (case finding, quarantine, decontamination and isolation for treatment)