HIGHLIGHTS

• During the week of 25/05-01/06, 43 additional cases were confirmed, 19 were discharged from treatment centers – one death due to COVID-19 was reported on 30th May 2020.
• The deceased patient was a truck driver aged 65 years old. He fell ill in a neighbouring country and crossed into Rwanda in a critical state. Upon arrival, he was immediately quarantined and tested positive for COVID-19. He was later admitted in a treatment center and died 2 days later from an Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome.
• On the invitation of the government of Rwanda through the Ministry of Health, took place a bilateral meeting of the Ministers of Health, Trade and Local Administration of the Republic of Rwanda and the Deputy Ministers of Interior and Public Health of the Democratic Republic of Congo at the Rwanda-DRC One Stop Border Post (OSBP), on this 28th May 2020. The two delegations were led by Dr. Daniel M. NGAMIJE, Minister of the Republic of Rwanda and HE Innocent BOKELE WALAKA, Deputy Minister of Interior of the Democratic Republic of Congo.
• This meeting was held in the framework of strengthening cooperation between the two countries in the field of Public Health. More specifically, this meeting aimed to formulate proposals for high-level political commitments guiding the strengthening of cross-border cooperation in surveillance of the COVID-19 pandemic and its implications for cross-border trade while respecting specific measures taken by both countries.
• Guidelines issued by the Cabinet of Ministers for COVID-19 containment after the strict lockdown remain effective until June 2nd, 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).