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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE PREPAREDNESS IN UGANDA

12th March 2019 (12:00 HRS) – UPDATE No 99

a) **SITUATION UPDATE FROM DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO AS OF 11TH MARCH 2019.**

- Cumulative cases: 923
- Confirmed cases: 858
- Probable: 65
- Total deaths: 582

b) **EVD SITUATIONAL UPDATE IN UGANDA**

- **There is NO confirmed EVD case in Uganda.**
- Active case search continues in all communities, health facilities and on formal and informal border crossing in all districts especially in the high-risk ones.
- Alert cases continue to be picked, isolated, treated and blood samples picked for testing by the Uganda Virus Research Institute (UVRI). The alerts are highlighted in the specific district reports below **under the Surveillance section.**

c) **PREPAREDNESS IN THE FIELD (PROGRESS AND GAPS)**

COORDINATION

Ntoroko District

Action Points

- Baylor will financially facilitate volunteers at 12 PoEs. The others will be paid by MoH using part of the UGX 250m sent to the district for preparedness activities.
- The District Task Force (DTF) will write to National Task Force (NTF) about the promised second ambulance.
- All sub-committees requested to provide typed daily and weekly reports to DTF.

Gaps and Challenges



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- NO fuel for coordination and conducting sub-committee activities.
- Lack of typed reports from subcommittees

Kabarole District

Action Points

- DTF to provide airtime and fuel for coordination
- DTF to designate a vehicle for rapid response, surveillance and an ambulance for picking up alert and suspected cases from the community to hospital.

Gaps and Challenges

- No airtime and fuel for coordination.

SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES

Kasese District

Achievements

Number of people screened at selected PoEs in Kasese District on 11th March 2019.

No	PoE site	No of persons screened
1	Mpondwe	11,527
2	Kayanzi	15
3	Mirami	391
4	Kisolholho	261
5	Kithoma	314
6	Katwe	71
	Total	12,579

Gaps/constraints:

- Resources to conduct EVD active search and support supervision.
- Facilitation for health workers at screening points and ETU.

Kabarole District

Action Points

- DTF requested all in-charges together with the surveillance focal person to organize Continuing Medical Education targeting the non-clinical staff.
- DTF instructed all the health care workers to endeavor and do active case search and report all alerts they come across.

Gaps and Challenges

- No transport facilitation and telephone airtime for the field teams.

Hoima and Kikuube Districts

No of People Screened at PoEs in Hoima and Kikuube Districts on 11th March 2019

Port of entry	District	Number of new arrivals screened	
Nsoga/Buhuka	Kikuube		44
Sebagoro	Kikuube		71
Kaiso	Hoima		00
Total			115

RISK COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Kabarole District

Achievement

- Radio talk shows and distribution of IEC materials on going



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- Uganda Red Cross Volunteers visited 178 households and sensitized 423 people on EVD. They conducted 9 community/groups meetings interacting with 191 people.

Gaps and Challenges

- Lack of IEC materials in the local languages (Runyoro /Rutooro)
- No facilitation for the field teams.

Bunyangabu District

Achievements

- URCS volunteers conducted three community meetings in Katebwa Sub County, Kisomoro Sub County and Rwimi Town Council. They shared EVD messages with 265 people (35 male 36 female 194 children).
- The volunteers visited 153 households and shared EVD messages with 599 people (199 male, 282 female and 118 children). They distributed 86 posters and 42 flyers. They also demonstrated proper hand washing.

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