

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE PREPAREDNESS IN UGANDA

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SITUATION UPDATE FROM DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO FOR 29th MAY 2019 WITH DATA UP TO 28th MAY 2019

• Cumulative cases: 1,945

Confirmed cases: 1,851

• Probable: 94

Total deaths: 1,302

a) 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.

b) PREPAREDNESS IN THE FIELD (PROGRESS AND GAPS)

COORDINATION

SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES

Kasese District

Achievements

Number of people screened at selected PoEs in Kasese District on 29th May 2019.

No	PoE site	No of persons screened
1	Mpondwe	7112
2	Kayanzi	16



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3	Mirami	443
4	Kisolholho	182
5	Kithoma	773
6	Katwe	59
	Total	8,585

Bundibugyo District

Achievements

- PoE screening is ongoing conducted by Uganda Red Cross Society staff
- The Community is very alert, as community leaders and VHTs were oriented and they always report to health facilities whenever there is a problem in their villages.

Number of people screened at selected PoEs in Bundibugyo District on 29th May 2019.

No	PoE site	No of persons screened
1	Kasiri	647
2	Busunga	6216
3	Butoogho 1	979
4	Butoogho 2	498
5	Kazarooho	1412
6	Busoro2	413
7	Bundinamandi	880
8	Bundimirambi	728
	Total	11,773



Ntoroko District

Achievements

- There were two (2) alert cases, sample were picked and sent to Uganda Virus Research Institute (UVRI) for testing.
- Health education and support supervision were conducted in the area where the alerts were detected.

Number of people screened at PoEs in Ntoroko District on 29th May 2019.

No	PoE site	No of persons screened
1	Kigungu	0
2	Ntoroko Main	67
3	Fridge	0
4	Transami	120
5	Kanara	26
6	Rwagara	178
7	Katanga	0
8	Kamuga	220
9	Katolingo	39
10	Mulango	11
11	Rwentuhi	47
	Haibale North	31
12	Haibale South	23
13	Kabimbiri	31
14	Куара	12
15	Kayanja I	21
16	Kayanja II	37
17	Budiba	0



Total	863

Bunyangabu District

Achievements

- Community-Based Disease Surveillance (CBDS), facility and PoEs surveillance are ongoing.
- OPD registers, weekly and monthly reports are regularly reviewed no cases detected
- The ODK checklists continues to be used by surveillance teams.

CASE MANAGEMENT

Kasese District

Achievements

- A 16 year old female from Kasinde DRC was admitted in ETU with high grade fever. A sample was collected and sent to UVRI for testing.
- There was a Case Management subcommittee meeting that agreed to:
 - Advocate for a telephone landline at the ETU.
 - Enforce hand washing at the hospital gate by all staff and not only security officers.
 - Conduct a simulation exercise at hospital as soon participants are listed.
 - Designate particular staff to be in-charge of patient feeding in ETU and medical supplies.
- The surveillance team visited Kisinga primary school that has a student population of 1,010 where they
 assessed the WASH activities. The school has three (3) hand washing facilities supplied by UNICEF but
 they had no chlorinated water at the time of the assessment. Eight EVD posters were provided.

Ntoroko District

Achievements

Two (02) EVD alert cases were admitted at the ETU located at Rwebisengo HCIII



Health education was conducted at the facility and nearby community.

Bunyangabu District

Achievements

Health workers continue to conduct health education talks at all entry points. Case definition job aids are being utilized to identify suspected cases. No case under management.

INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (IPC) AND WASH

Bunyangabu District

- Effective Hand washing practices continue to be taught in communities.
- Follow up visit was done at Kisomoro HC III and Kasunganyanja HC III and noted the following:
 - Hand washing being done
 - There's proper waste segregation and disposal
 - Basic PPE being used by staff
 - Chlorine was being utilized
 - The General sanitation was good

RISK COMMUNICATION AND SOCIAL MOBILIZATION

Kasese District

Achievements

- The Risk Communication subcommittee with support from UNICEF simultaneously oriented the following groups of responders on EVD community engagement and CBDS in several sub counties:
 - o 36 (25 males, 11 females) teachers from Bukonzo East.
 - o 40 (38 males, 2 female) LCI chairperson of Rugendabara and Kitswamba sub-county.



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o 35 (31males, 4 females) religious and cultural leaders of Bukonzo East and Bukunzo West.

o 30 (18 males, 12 females) VHTs of Nyakiyumbu sub-county.

30 (16 males, 14 females) VHTs of Bwera Sub-county.

o 40 (32 males, 8 females) LCIs of Kitswaba B.

40 (30 males, 10 females) LCIs of Bugoye Ibanda sub-county.

o 40 (29 males, 11 females) LCIs of Bugoye sub-county.

o 40 (32 males, 8 females) LCIs of Kyabangira sub-county.

• The Risk Communication team supported the Health Assistant of Muhokya sub-county to make

presentation on EVD to the sub-county council held in council hall. It was attended by 18 councilors and

100 leaflets and 65 posters were distributed.

The team also interacted with 43 pupils (15 male and 28 females) of Kisinga Primary Schools on EVD.

The children had fair knowledge of EVD and were practicing hand washing using a hand washing facility

stationed near the toilets. Eight child friendly posters were provided to the school.

• The team visited Mpondwe PoE and provided it with 120 EVD posters, 1,300 leaflets and 4 chlorine

posters.

Bunyangabu District

Achievements

• District Health Officer for Bunyangabu and the Risk Communication team oriented 53 councilors (10

females and 43 males) of Bunyangabu District Council on EVD. They included the LC5 chairperson and

executive, district councilors, Chief administrative officer and heads of departments, opinion and cultural

leaders. IEC materials and other EVD supplies were distributed.

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