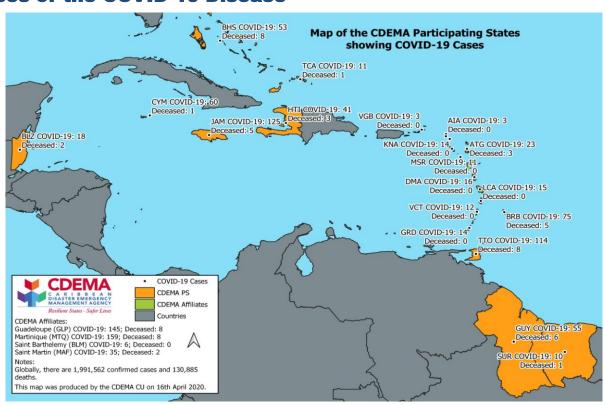


COVID-19 OUTBREAK IN CDEMA PARTICIPATING STATES

SITUATION REPORT No. 6

AS OF 8:00 PM ON 16 APRIL, 2020

All nineteen (19) CDEMA Participating States record confirmed cases of the COVID-19 Disease



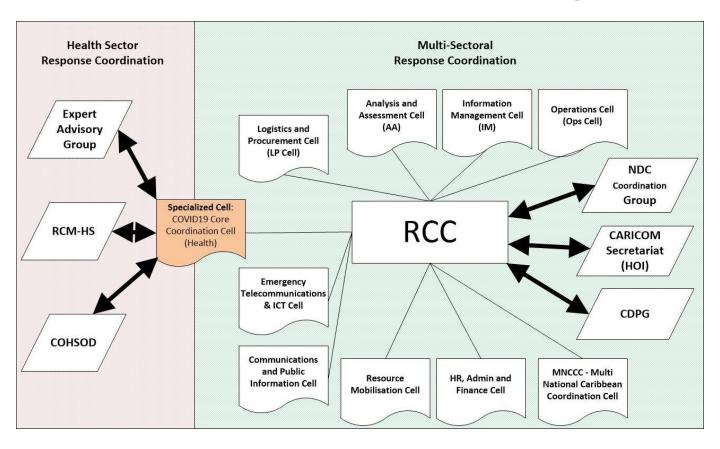
SITUATION UPDATE

According to the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) Situation Report No. 33 (dated 14 April, 2020), up to 33 countries in the Caribbean region have reported the importation of at least one confirmed case of COVID-19. The risk of further importation of cases to the Caribbean Region remains **Very High**. The aim for all countries now, is to stop transmission, prevent the spread of the virus and save lives. Based on the Draft CARPHA Health Sector Response Guidelines for COVID-19 circulated to Member States, most countries are encouraged to implement actions in keeping with the Initial or Targeted Action in the Response Phase.

The PAHO Director Dr Carissa Etienne and other experts on 14 April, met with Ministers of Health to (1) discuss the current status of the pandemic response in the countries of the Americas, (2) provide an overview on rapid tests and other diagnostics, (3) suggested therapeutics including chloroquine, and (4) provide an update of current social distancing measures along with the evidence required to relax these measures.

Since the previous report on April 8, 2020, additional cases were confirmed in 29 countries, bringing the region's total confirmed cases to 6,087 in 33 countries/territories; 24 (72%) of these are CARPHA Member States. This new total represents a 52% increase in the numbers of confirmed cases. One hundred and thirty-one (131) additional deaths were also recorded, bringing the total numbers of deaths to 316.

COVID-19 Multi Sectoral Coordination Diagram



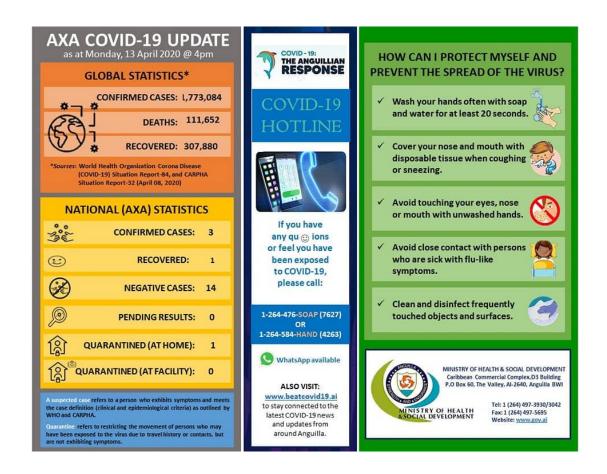
- 1. Multi-sectoral coordination for COVID19 within CARICOM is delivered through the established Regional Response Mechanism (RRM) coordinated by the CDEMA Coordinating Unit (Figure 1).
- A specialized Core Coordination Cell (Health) comprising the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA),
 CDEMA, the CARICOM Secretariat and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) has been established for COVID19.
- This cell generates hazard specific (COVID19) information which (i) drives coordination actions by cells of the Regional Coordination Centre (RCC) and (ii) facilitates the interface between existing Health Sector Response Coordination mechanisms* and the RCC.
- 4. Cells within the RCC benefit from the expertise of specialised regional and international organizations in support of CARICOM Member States.
- Multi-level coordination and information sharing is facilitated through frequent exchanges with the national –
 National Disaster Coordinators (NDCs), regional CARICOM Heads of Regional Institutions convened by the
 CARICOM Secretary General and international partners Caribbean Development Partners Group (CDPG)
 actors.

^{*} COHSOD - CARICOM Council for Human and Social Development; RCM-HS - Regional Coordination Mechanism - Health Security



ANGUILLA – Department of Disaster Management (DDM)

- Recognising the COVID-19 risk posed by illegal boat landings, the UK Government has agreed to provide EC\$2.5 million for border protection
- The Ministry and Department of Education informed all principals, staff, parents and students that Term Three will begin on Monday 11th May and end on Friday 24th July 2020. As such, the Easter break has been extended until Friday 8th May 2020
- The Ministry of Health, with the approval of the Executive Council, extended the regulations of temporary restrictions on the movement of people and public gatherings until Tuesday 21 April 2020
- The Ministry of Health advised that as of Friday April 10th at 4pm, there is 1 recovered case in accordance with the CARPHA protocol for recovery. Therefore, there are currently two (2) confirmed active cases on Anguilla who will subsequently be retested per established protocol
- For more information contact the Ministry of Health hotline on COVID- 19: 476-7627, that is 476 SOAP or 584-4263, that is 584-HAND or visit http://www.beatcovid19.ai/.





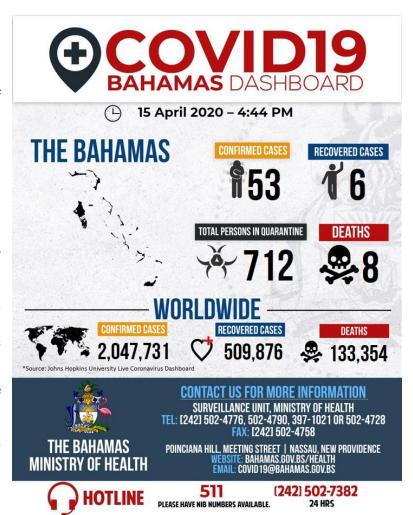
ANTIGUA & BARBUDA - National Office of Disaster Services (NODS)

- A 24 Hour curfew has been enacted from Thursday 16th April 6:00 a.m. to Wednesday April 22, 2020 12 Midnight. Under the State of Emergency, persons must remain in the confines of their homes.
- A relief flight arrived on 10 April 2020 with medical supplies from the Republic of Venezuela to help mitigate COVID-19 in Antigua and Barbuda
- The Health Ministry has announced two more people have tested positive for COVID-19 in Antigua and Barbuda, bringing the country's total confirmed cases to 23. Two of the cases are health care workers
- 2 more people have recovered from COVID-19, bringing the total recovered to 3
- The Ministry of Health, Wellness, and the Environment received a donation of over five thousand medical grade materials from the Chinese-Antiguan based company Eastern Helen Hospital Company Ltd.
- Select businesses will be allowed to operate between the recommended hours with strict adherence to the established social distancing regime. These businesses shall operate between the hours of 7 a.m. to 12 noon (Only 2 persons are allowed in private vehicles and must have valid reasons for being in public)
- Public transportation services are permitted to operate during the curfew period from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. provided
 the operator of the public transport and the passengers wear a face mask/covering and the passengers are seated in a
 staggering formation with one person in every row that would normally accommodate 2 persons and no more than 2
 persons in the back seat.
- All Permanent Secretaries within the civil service, and the Directors and Chairmen of Board of the Statutory Bodies shall encourage and support employees in working from home to the extent that this is possible.
- · All courts will function under the guidance of the Chief Justice/Chief Magistrate
- All beaches are closed for the duration of the curfew period
- No person is permitted to be in any motor vehicle, supermarket, market, or in any street or in any public place without wearing a face mask/covering
- Every person who is permitted to leave his or her residence for any portion of the curfew period must wear a face mask/covering which completely covers both the nose and the mouth of that person.
- All Religious and Educational places of instruction or worship shall remain closed. They may however operate via electronic or virtual means.
- COVID- Hotline number is 46COVID (462-6849)



THE BAHAMAS – National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)

- As at 15 April 2020, the Ministry of Health confirmed that there are four (4) additional confirmed cases of COVID-19. This brings the total number of confirmed cases to fifty-three (53)
- There have been seven (7) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Grand Bahama, forty-four (44) confirmed cases in New Providence, one (1) confirmed case in Cat Cay, and one (1) confirmed case on the island of Bimini
- The death toll remains at eight (8) including 1 health worker
- The Princess Margaret Hospital and Doctors Hospital have already formed an alliance with agreed protocols to accept COVID-19 patients for treatment. To prevent these facilities from being inundated with cases, the Ministry of Health has dedicated the South Beach Health Clinic to accept mild to moderate cases of COVID-19 patients. This will ease the pressure on public and private hospital systems
- In conjunction with the Prime Minister and Government of The Bahamas, the Ministry of Health wishes to join the clarion call and national appeal to all available healthcare personnel to assist to lighten the load of those already positioned on the frontline
- To ensure that adequate numbers of PPEs are maintained, the Government has already ordered additional supplies, supply levels are constantly being maintained and rates of usage of PPEs are being carefully monitored
- Despite expected economic fall-out of the mandatory lockdowns, the Government has already committed to providing physicians with a \$5,000.00 honorarium for those who work on the frontline of the health sector's response. The Government has also offered the provision of a life insurance benefit of \$100,000 should a health care worker contract the COVID-19 virus and experience an untimely death.



- The alphabetical shopping schedule will be temporarily suspended effective, Tuesday, April 14th through Friday, April 17th and will come back into effect on Monday the 20th of April
- •Importation of non-medical protective face masks was prohibited, effective 8 a.m., Friday, 10 April, 2020
- Every person who leaves their residence must wear a mask covering their nose and mouth while away from their residence



BARBADOS – Department of Emergency Management (DEM)

- The number of tests done by the public health laboratory to date is 900
- From 15 April 2020, the Ministry of Education, Technological and Vocational Training is offering primary and secondary school students who are having challenges coping with the COVID-19 pandemic access to the services of a trained counsellor
- The Central Bank of Barbados and the Financial Services Commission (FSC) advise that all deposit-taking institutions and/or businesses facilitating domestic or international payments can open under the extended 24-hour curfew, which runs from April 15, 2020 until May 3
- From 14 April 2020, essential cargo deliveries will be done through an appointment system at the Bridgetown Port, between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
- On 11 April 2020, the Prime Minister announced that the curfew, in place since April 3, will be extended until midnight May 3 along with an alphabetized shopping and banking schedule
- The National Insurance Office has received just under 14,000 unemployment benefit applications since the middle of March, and Government is working assiduously to ensure unemployed people receive funds
- The Prime Minister advised that the Barbados Secondary Schools' Entrance Examination (BSSEE) this year, familiarly known as the Common Entrance Exam, would be deferred to another date, pending consultations with the substantive Minister of Education, principals, teachers and their respective unions
- · Schools remain closed
- The Welfare Department has issued more than 1500 food vouchers to the poor and vulnerable in Barbados over the last three weeks
- The Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (MAFS) advised that farming operations are restricted to 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

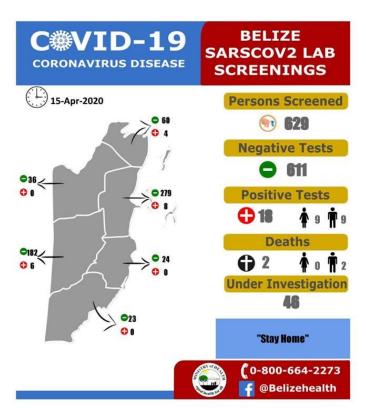




Belize – National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO)



- A total of 62,706 Unemployment Relief Program by COVID-19 applications have been received through the COVID19 electronic services portal starting at 2:00 pm on April 14
- 7,247 Unemployment Relief Program by COVID-19 applications were approved and sent to the Social Security Board (SSB) for disbursement
- The Ministry of Health confirms that there are two (2) active clusters being closely monitored. These are located in San Ignacio and Belize City
- The Government of Belize in conjunction with the Embassy of the United States of America (USA) is organizing a repatriation exercise for persons who may have become displaced in Belize due to COVID-19. This effort is made to assist stranded persons who are well and wish to return home. Destination is Houston, Texas, USA Airline via United Airlines on Thursday, 16th April 2020 and departing at 12:00 p.m. (arriving Houston IAH 3:28 p.m.)







CAYMAN ISLANDS – Hazard Management Cayman Islands (HMCI)

As at 15 April 2020, the Chief Medical Officer reported:

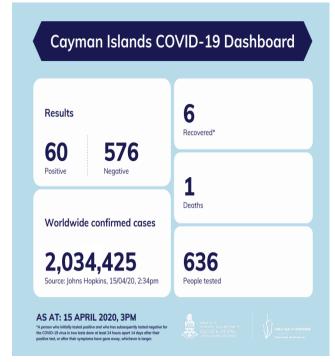
- Of 56 test results received, six are positive, with four from known contacts and two from unknown or local community transmission.
- •This brings the total tests to 636, with 576 negatives and 60 positives.
- Of the positives, 19 of these are symptomatic, 24 are asymptomatic, six are fully recovered, five have clinically recovered. Four are admitted to the Health Services Authority and two at Health City. One of those at HSA continues to be on ventilator and the condition is improving steadily.
- Until masks are available in large quantities, wearing
 of masks will not be made mandatory at places of
 greater public contact such as banks, supermarkets,
 gas stations or pharmacies. Work on increasing the
 availability of homemade masks for non-surgical or
 non-medical use is at a heightened level.

Flights organised:

- Two flights to Miami on Friday 17 April 2020
- One is a charter flight bringing in less than 100 returning Caymanians and returning residents, all of whom will face mandatory isolation of 14 days and will be tested
- •On Friday 17 April 2020, Cayman Airways will have one flight departing to Miami and returning empty.
- On Saturday 18 April 2020, Cayman Airways will put on two flights to Nicaragua to transport a total of 160 passengers and both will return empty.
- Two flights to Canada are being planned next week, for which further details will be shared
- Discussions are ongoing for flights to Honduras, Dominican Republic and Jamaica. The focus will be continued attempts to meet demands and organise more flights.

All seeking emergency flights should call 949-2311 or if in the US 1-800-422-9626.

- Schools remain closed until further notice as monitoring the spread of the COVID-19 virus continues
- Beaches remain entirely off limits for any activity, including swimming and fishing







DOMINICA- Office of Disaster Management (ODM)

- Emergency Powers Amendment
 Act 2020 of 6 April has extended
 the country's curfew for another 21
 days after 20 April, 2020.
- The National Co-operative Credit
 Union (NCCU) Limited has
 formalized a specific package of
 relief in keeping with its
 commitment to assist members in
 the difficult time created by the
 spread of the Corona Virus
 (COVID 19)
- The Government of Venezuela has donated medical equipment and supplies to Dominica to help in the battle against COVID-19
- The Minister for Education, Human Resource Planning, Vocational Training and National Excellence has put various measures in place to assist students who have had to stay at home because of COVID-19





GRENADA – National Disaster Management Agency (NaDMA)

- Borders remain closed to all internal and external travel, except as provided for in the Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Regulations
- As at APRIL 10, 2020, there have been two more laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 on mainland Grenada
- The health hotline can be reached at 538
 4787 or 458 4787
- 24 hr curfew remains in effect from 12 noon on the 6th day of April, 2020 and ending at 7:00 a.m. on the 20th day of April, 2020
- Only small boats will be allowed to engage in fishing, with two persons per boat
- With regards to seine or net fishing, 12 persons are permitted to manage the net, with three being positioned at each end
- Provisions are not currently made for the larger trawler-type fishing vessels, but this will be taken into consideration and a subsequent announcement will be made

COVID-19 (APRIL 16 - 18)			
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FARMERS AND FISHERMEN STATE OF GRENADA			
SUPPLIERS – RESTOCK SHOPS, GROCERY STORES AND SUPERMARKETS			
FINANCIAL SERVICES (9AM - 1PM) BANKS, CREDIT UNIONS, MONEY GRAM, WESTERN UNION, BUILDING AND LOAN			
ALL GAS STATIONS (6AM - 12 NOON) FOR ESSENTIAL SERVICES, EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS OF ENTITIES THAT ARE OPERATING THIS WEEK		•	

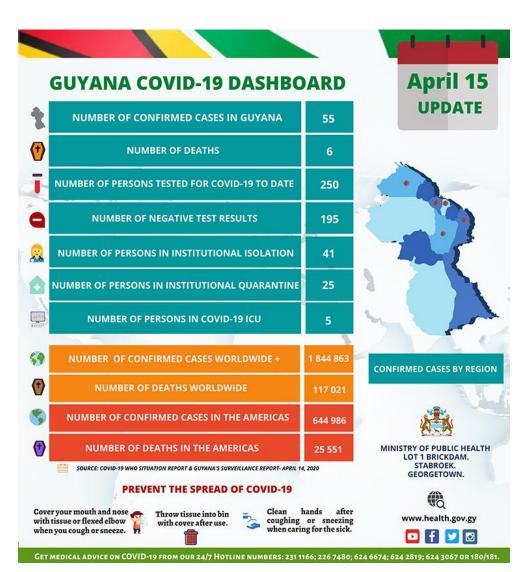


Source: Ministry of Health Grenada



GUYANA – Civil Defense Commission (CDC)

- •The Ministry of Public Health reported that Region Four is the epicentre for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). The Demerara-Mahaica area has registered 86 percent of the number of confirmed cases
- •The Ministry of Social Protection has amended daily operations at all of its care facilities to protect staff and residents during the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic
- •Visits to Guyana's prisons have been replaced with video calls amid the coronavirus pandemic as visits were suspended at all prisons throughout the country to protect the staff and inmates from the spread of COVID-19
- Persons at home during the COVID-19 pandemic are advised to take a holistic approach to maintain their physical, emotional, social, spiritual and mental health
- •Schools across Guyana remain closed as the Ministry of Education reassesses its decision to reopen on April 20, in light of the recent increase in confirmed COVID-19 cases



•The Guyana Livestock Development Authority (GLDA) is conducting regular checks on their meat and local dairy products to ensure there are adequate supplies during and after the COVID-19 pandemic



HAITI – The Civil Protection Directorate

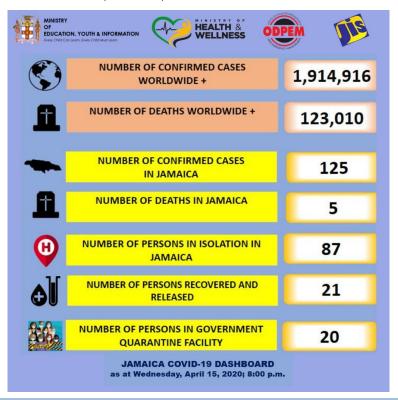
- As of 14 April, the Ministry of Health (MSPP) has reported 439 suspected cases, of which 40 have been confirmed (33 were imported and seven were transmitted in the community). To date, three (3) deaths have been reported.
- Equipment and materials, including personal protective equipment, are still urgently needed
- The President has created a "Multi-sectoral Commission for the management of the COVID-19 pandemic" to lead the strategic planning of the response
- Surveillance at the border with the Dominican Republic is being strengthened
- Awareness raising and community sensitization continues
- The Ministry of Education (MENFP) will launch a new online platform next week. It will contain pedagogical resources for teachers, parents and students, enabling home learning. Meanwhile, educational radio and television programs are being recorded and will be aired on local media
- As part of the COVID-19 response, the Government of Haiti has authorized companies in the textile and clothing sector to reopen for the production of medical materials. The UN system has engaged in discussions with the textile sector

Source: Report produced by OCHA Haiti in collaboration with the WHO, other UN agencies and humanitarian partners https://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/20200414__flash_update_no._4_covid-19_-_ocha_haiti_-_en.pdf



JAMAICA – Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management (ODPEM)

- As at 15 April 2020, The National Influenza Centre has reported that in the last 24 hours, 20 samples have tested positive for COVID-19. This brings the total number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Jamaica to 125
- The National Influenza Centre has also advised that to date, a total of 1,391 samples have been tested including those for Severe Acute Respiratory Infections (SARI) resulting in 1,258 negative and 125 positive, with eight samples pending
- The total number of persons recovered and released from hospital is 21 while there are 5 deaths
- Currently 66 patients remain in isolation and 21 persons are in quarantine at a government facility
- 51 (41%) confirmed cases are male and 74 (59%) are female, while the ages of all confirmed cases range from 2 to 87 years old
- Jamaica is expanding sampling and testing for COVID-19. As part of those expanded testing efforts; the Ministry will, beginning April 17, 2020, commence mobile testing for COVID-19 in two health regions (the Southeast Regional Health Authority/SERHA and the Northeast Regional Health Authority/NERHA)
- The Ministry of Health and Wellness has moved proactively to procure medical equipment and supplies needed in the Public Health System. To date orders valuing over \$1B have been made. Major items delivered to date include 35 Ventilators, 6 ICU beds, 50 Physiological monitors, over 2.2 million PPE items
- The Ministry of Health and Wellness is encouraging Jamaicans who may be experiencing anxiety or stress out of concern over the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) to contact its mental health line at 888 NEW LIFE (888-639-5433)





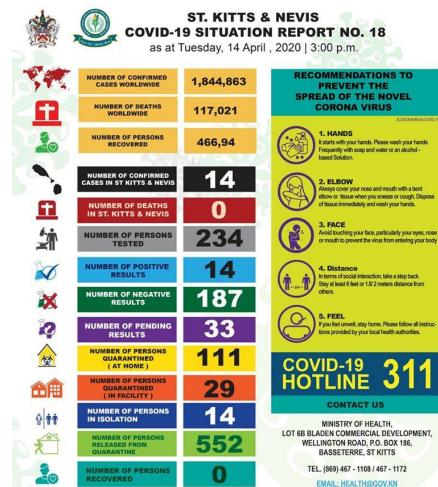
MONTSERRAT – Disaster Management Coordination Agency (DMCA)

- As at April 9, 2020, the Government of Montserrat extended the curfew until Thursday April 30, and within this period the island will be placed under a complete shutdown for 7 days, as part of new measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 on the island
- As at April 8, 2020, the Government of Montserrat has received written confirmation from the Department for International Development (DFID) that £2.5m will be added to Montserrat's 2020/21 Financial Aid allocation, to fund the island's immediate response to COVID-19 following a detailed request and submission by the Ministry of Finance to DFID
- As at April 8, 2020, the Government of Montserrat through the Ministry of Finance and Economic Management (MOFEM),
 is now accepting applications for financial assistance from individuals and businesses in the tourism sector, as part of the
 fiscal stimulus package announced on Wednesday April 1, in response to COVID-19



ST. KITTS & NEVIS – National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)

- On April 15th, 2020 the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Aviation and Premier of Nevis received on behalf of the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis a donation of 40,000 masks from H.E. Tom Lee, Resident Ambassador of the Republic of China (Taiwan) on behalf of his country
- Water The Director of the Services Department (WSD) in Kitts, strongly encourages residents in St. Kitts and Nevis to practice water conservation. The COVID-19 pandemic makes this request even more urgent due to the dry season
- Aggressive contact tracing by the COVID-19 National Task Force has been a critical strategy to contain the spread of the Novel Coronavirus in St. Kitts and Nevis, to date



SOURCE: https://www.who.int/COVID-19



SAINT LUCIA – National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO)

- As of April 15, 2020, Saint Lucia has a total of 15 confirmed cases of COVID-19
- Wednesday, April 14, 2020 Saint Lucia continues on a partial shutdown and on a 10 hour curfew from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- As of April 14, 2020, Saint Lucia has a total of 15 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Follow-up tests were also conducted on the confirmed cases in care and to date a total of 11 of the confirmed 15 COVID-19 patients have recovered. Presently there are 25 persons in quarantine and 20 in isolation
- The Ministry of Health and Wellness stated that the contact tracing process has had significant gains in identifying people at greater risk of exposure and bringing individuals with symptoms into care in a timely manner
- The Minister of Education, Innovation, Gender Relations and Sustainable Development urged the general public to demonstrate its sense of community by looking out for the most vulnerable in our communities. This includes our children and our women, especially in remote and underserved areas. Especially those offering essential services for Gender-based Violence are quadrupling efforts to ensure that there is increased access to information on gender-based violence
- ALL Primary Care Health facilities will be opened effective Tuesday, April 14, 2020 to cater to the urgent healthcare needs of our population including Maternal and Child Care; Family Planning; Adult Immunization and medical emergencies. Of significance, is the resumption of Child Health services such as immunization to our children under five years of age. Antenatal and Postnatal clinics will continue
- The Ministry of Health & Wellness in collaboration with the Office of the Prime Minister launched a website on April 9, 2020 as a dedicated platform for COVID-19 information: https://www.covid19response.lc/





ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES – National Emergency Management Organisation (NEMO)

•The Government of Venezuela has come to the aid of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines in its battle against the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19. The Government has donated three thousand (3,000) Rapid Test Kits, for the COVID-19 in-country testing.





ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) REPORT

As of Wednesday, April 15, 2020: 6:00 PM



NUMBER OF COVID-19 CASES = 12



NUMBER OF PERSONS RECOVERED = 1



NUMBER OF COVID-19 RELATED DEATHS = 0



NUMBER OF PERSONS TESTED = 88



NUMBER OF PENDING RESULTS = 8*



NUMBER OF PERSONS IN QUARANTINE = 143

*Of the eight (8) pending results, five (5) are medical clearance tests.

COVID-19 HOTLINE: (784) 534-4325 | coronavirustaskforcesvg@gmail.com



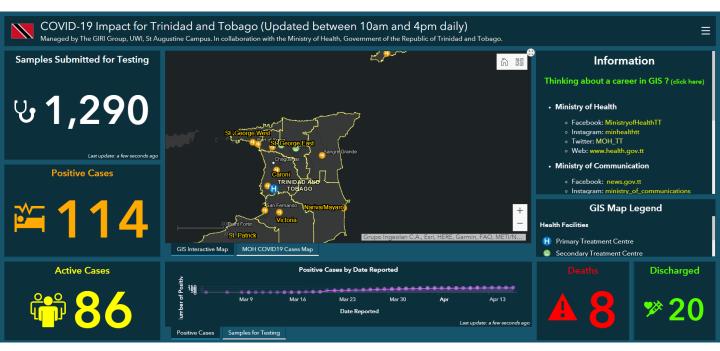
SURINAME - National Coordination Center For Disaster Relief (NCCR)

- Civil disobedience on the borders of Suriname is a matter of serious concern to the authorities. There are still
 persons who cross borders without the permission of the competent authority and endanger overall public
 health
- Partial lockdown, whereby people are not allowed to walk on the street from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. the following morning, with the exception of people from the care, safety and essential destination traffic for work
- Limited gathering to a maximum of 10 people and a social distance of 2 meters
- All games of chance and casinos remain closed until further notice.



TRINIDAD & TOBAGO – Office of Disaster Preparedness & Management (ODPM)

- The extended stay at home order remains in effect until April 3
- Minister of Education has indicated that school will be not be re-opened until September 2020
- The ODPM in its Disaster Risk Management role, has been supporting the Ministry of Health (MOH) and other essential
 services, to ensure the public is protected and the best defence is mounted to mitigate and contain the spread of the virus.
 In this regard we have given top priority to border health security, providing frontline agencies with personal protective
 equipment (PPE), interagency planning and coordination, public information dissemination and food security
- · 15 additional thermal scanners were donated to Trinidad and Tobago from the People's Republic of China
- Thursday, 16th April, 2020 the Ministry reports the following:
 - 1290 Number of samples submitted to the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) for testing for COVID-19
 - 114 Number of samples which have tested positive
 - 8 Number of deaths
 - 20 Number of persons discharged
- Of the total number of positive cases, 52 of these positive cases came from the group of nationals who recently returned from a cruise:
 - ❖49 positive cases from the group of 68 nationals who returned from the cruise together
 - ❖3 positive cases from the group of nationals who returned from the same cruise separately from the other 68 nationals.



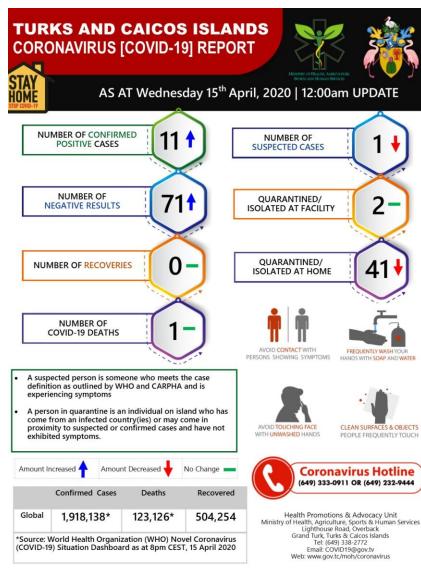




TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS – Department of Disaster Management & Emergencies (DDME)

As of 11 April 2020:

- Domestic travel restrictions have been extended until 4 May 2020 at 6 AM except for essential travel
- Regional and international flights (including private flights) will not be allowed into the Islands until 4 May 2020 at 6 AM
- Cruise ship restrictions extended until 30 June 2020 at 6 AM
- Naval vessels will be allowed to enter TCI and dock. No one will be allowed on or off the vessel except TCIG Medical Doctors or other Public Health Officials
- 24-hour curfew has been extended until 4 May 2020 at 6 AM
- Business restrictions have been extended until 4 May 2020 at 6 AM. All businesses previously permitted to operate must be closed every Sunday and Wednesday except: doctors offices, hospitals, medical facilities, hotels with residential guests, security services
- All schools, pre-schools, TCICC and UWI Open Campus are to remain closed until 4 May 2020 at 6 AM
- The Emergency Powers will be extended until 4 May 2020 at 6 AM





VIRGIN ISLANDS (UK) – Department of Disaster Management (DDM)

- The current 14-day 24-hour curfew ends on April 19
- As a result of active health surveillance 67 Persons Under Investigation were tested, and the results have been confirmed by the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) regional reference lab.
 - □ 64 persons were confirmed negative
 - □ 3 persons with travel history were confirmed positive with mild symptoms not requiring hospitalization
 - ☐ of the 3 persons -- 2 have been declared as recovered
 - Of the 143, Five (5) Persons remain in mandatory quarantine, and health surveillance teams continue to conduct screening and monitoring in order to detect any active cases of the disease that may not have been detected
- The Territory was supplied with 480 test kits in the first instance followed by an additional 960 test kits from the United Kingdom
- Awaiting the arrival of 30 medical personnel from Cuba
- Phase One of the plan has been endorsed up to June 1, 2020. This first phase represents the internal reopening of the BVI. During this phase borders will remain closed
- A new Curfew Order will be put in place for from 6:01 a.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2020 to 6:00 a.m. on Thursday,
 April 30, 2020, for 14 days
- On Saturday, April 18, 2020 approved businesses will be allowed to clear supplies at Port Purcell, Tortola and St. Thomas Bay, Virgin Gorda
- Cabinet also endorsed the 90-day Public Service Operations Plan in phases up to June 1 2020
- Cabinet has agreed to amend the current curfew order from 15 April 2020 to allow approved home delivery services. This
 will be for essential food supplies only, from approved home delivery providers and supermarkets, between 9.00 am and
 3.00 pm. For home deliveries of LPG (cooking gas), it will be between 6.00 am and 12 noon
- Phased re-opening of essential shops and businesses from 19 and 20 April
- Cabinet agreed that schools will remain closed to students, but teachers may access schools to facilitate on-line
 instruction in a limited capacity. The position on schools will be reviewed weekly by Cabinet as with all other measures
- Borders will remain closed to incoming passengers until 6:00 a.m. on 2 June. By keeping them closed, the VI can build up
 its capability to fight the virus in the Territory
- Anyone experiencing a fever with cough or difficulty breathing is encouraged to call the Medical Hotline at 852-7650

Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) Actions

REGIONAL LEVEL ENGAGEMENTS & COORDINATION

- 1. CDEMA continues to lead the multi sectoral coordination in support of the technical lead for health.
- The Regional Coordination Centre is activated.
- The CDEMA CU continues to liaise with the CARICOM regional institutions towards supporting the strengthening and continuity planning as well as regional level coordination.
- The CDEMA CU also continues to work closely with the CARICOM Secretariat, CARPHA and PAHO towards strengthening of the Health sector level coordination and readiness
- The Regional Protocol designed to support CARICOM States in their response to COVID-19 is being finalized with the support of Regional Institutions of CARICOM.
- 6. To support country response, COVID19 Assessment and Analysis, modeling and surveillance products developed by University of the West Indies, through the George Alleyne Chronic Disease Research Centre have been packaged and are being distributed to 14 CDEMA Participating States.
- 7. The Logistics and Procurement Cell is working towards strengthening the regional logistics arrangements and the supply chain in the region. A logistics Hub is being established in Barbados to facilitate the reception and onward movement of emergency supplies. This cell includes partners such as the World Food Programme (WFP).
- 8. Made a presentation to the 9th Special Emergency Meeting of the Heads of Government of CARICOM was convened April 15, 2020
- 9. The National Disaster Offices are either on high alert and have activated their National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOCS) where there are confirmed cases. In this regard, the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM) continues to be on alert should the need arise for support from any Participating State.
- 10. The latest updates on the COVID-19 pandemic in the region can be accessed from the CARPHA's website www.carpha.org
- 11. CDEMA and the Regional Response Mechanism partners will continue to monitor the situation and will provide updates as appropriate.

Actions by other Regional and International Organisations

Caribbean Development Bank's Board has: Approved a US\$3M grant to procure PPE's for its Borrowing Member Countries. Procurement is underway. The CDB is working through the Regional Response Mechanism to coordinate delivery of the items to its BMCs

Provided US\$140M in Loan funding for its Borrowing Member Countries

CARDI: In its capacity as Chair of the Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Cluster of CARICOM, CARDI is utilizing its teams in each member state to support the development of national action plans for the Agriculture Sector. In St. Kitts and Nevis, CARDI is supporting the production drive. Planting material for roots and tubers is being prioritized and information packages are being produced to support the development of home gardens.

Collaborating with UNECLAC to support an impact study on the Agricultural Sector; CARDI is also supporting the identification of areas of excess supply and options for movement.

UKAID: Committed 744M British Pounds Globally to COVID -19. Of this, 318M Pounds supports vaccine development and diagnosis, 150M Pounds to the UN and additional contributions to the World Health organization, IFRC, IMF Catastrophe Fund and to Global Hand Washing Support.

Global Affairs Canada: 159.5M Canadian in International Support. This includes support to 84M CDN to Humanitarian Appeals; 30M CDN in bilateral support and resources to the International Atomic and Energy Agency - of the latter, some funds will benefit the Caribbean. Ongoing support is being provided to the CDEMA Coordinating Unit including support for remote operations of the CDEMA CU office.

World Food Programme: Supporting the Logistics and Procurement Cell of the Regional Coordination Centre in the set up and operation of a Logistics Hub and exploring air and marine options for movement of relief. Completed a Food Security and Livelihoods Survey; Working with government counterparts on utilization of Social Protection Programmes for the COVID-19 event.

UNDP: Undertaking a Socio-economic Impact and Economic Recovery Study in 7 Caribbean Countries; Providing grants for Small and Medium Enterprises; Supporting the Procurement Task Force of the UN.