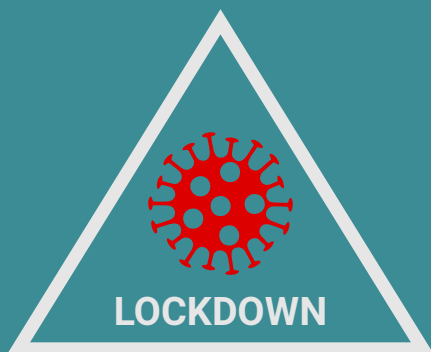


The coronavirus pandemic currently shocking the world gained entry into Nigeria with its first case confirmed on the 27th of February, 2020 in Lagos state. The discovery spiralled into a frenzy of misinformation as the NCDC and Federal Ministry of Health worked to allay citizens' fears and contain the outbreak. It is important that we all play a role in beating the virus by sharing only validated information and promoting effective preventive measures.

The Coronavirus CivActs Campaign (CCC) gathers rumours, concerns and questions from communities across Nigeria to eliminate information gaps between the government, media, NGOs and citizens. By providing the public with facts, the CCC ensures a better understanding of needs regarding the coronavirus and debunks rumours before they can do more harm. Information sharing will be critical to defeating the virus, due to the diverse cultural backgrounds and drawbacks in national education. About 47% of the Nigerian population have access to internet services in according to a 2018 estimate by Statista.



#LockdownExtension

Following the stay at home order on the 29th of March which saw the cessation of movements in Lagos state, Ogun state and the FCT for 14 days, the Federal Government, under advice from the Presidential Task Force on COVID-19 has ordered a stay home extension for an additional 14 days effective from 13th April, 2020 in those states.

The reason for this containment extension is to sustain the gains achieved and reduce the risk of community transmission of the coronavirus which had reached 873 confirmed cases in Nigeria as at the time of the order. The president also added that an additional one million households would benefit from social investment programs during this period, bringing the target number of supported households to 3.6 million. All previously issued guidelines on exempted services will remain.

The Lockdown still does not apply to:

- Hospitals, healthcare organisations and health care related manufacturers and distributors
- Food processing, distribution and retail companies
- Petroleum distribution and retail entities
- Power generation, transmission and distribution companies
- Private security companies
- Workers in telecommunication companies, broadcasters, print and electronic media staff who can prove that they are unable to work from home

These establishments will be monitored however and access restricted.

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COVID-19 must be airborne since it is spreading so quickly.

COVID-19 is not airborne but is transmitted through droplets. When people cough or sneeze they release droplets which land on nearby surfaces that you may touch. It is therefore important to clean surfaces regularly and practice physical distancing.

Coronavirus is caused by 5G technology radiation

Viruses are biological in nature and cannot be transmitted through radiation. The biological "coronavirus" is different from the "computer viruses" that cause errors in computers. 5G radiation is non-ionizing and does not penetrate the skin.

Bill Gates is seeking to use a Coronavirus vaccine to implant microchips in Africans

Though the Gates Foundation has donated millions of dollars to COVID-19 research, there is no evidence whatsoever to support this claim. He has however called for a digital platform that would expand home-based, self-administered testing for COVID-19.



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Chinese doctors coming to Nigeria has increased the rate of COVID-19 spread in the country

Chinese doctors arrived in Nigeria to care for CCECC workers and are adhering to the mandatory 14-day isolation put in place by the government. The rise is confirmed cases is due to increased testing.

The Government has declared 2 months free electricity for all Nigerian households to help the Lockdown effort

Free electricity for two months has not been declared. However, there is a bill that has been proposed in favour of that at the House of Representatives.

Who can get tested for COVID-19?

1. Anyone with travel history outside Nigeria, who presents with fever, cough or breathing difficulties within 14 days of arrival.
2. Anyone who has symptoms and contact with confirmed cases
3. Anyone with fever and either cough, difficulty breathing or shortness of breath in an area of moderate or high COVID-19 prevalence in Nigeria with no other explanation

Anyone who fits any of the profiles described above should contact the NCDC on the toll-free numbers: 080097000010 or 112. State Emergency contact numbers can be found here: <https://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/statecontacts.php>

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE IN NIGERIA AT AS TODAY - 23/04/2020

873

Confirmed Cases

28

Deaths

197

Recovered



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