



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF HEALTH

UPDATE ON COVID-19 AS AT 26th FEBRUARY 2020

As at 25th February 2020, **80239** confirmed cases of COVID-19 and **2700** deaths have been reported by the World Health Organization (WHO). The Ministry of Health continues to be on high alert to ensure there is no importation of **COVID-19** into the country and wishes to inform the public as follows, China Southern Airlines resumed its flights to Nairobi today. All 239 passengers were screened onboard and cleared, and the aircraft decontaminated.

Members of the public are advised to remain vigilant as the risk is still high and to continue taking precautionary measures by maintaining basic hand and respiratory hygiene, safe food practices and avoiding close contact with people suffering from acute respiratory infections. Further, anyone showing symptoms of respiratory illness such as **fever, coughing, difficulty in breathing and sneezing with a history of recent travel to affected countries** is advised to visit the nearest health facility for assessment and prompt management. So far, the Ministry of Health has investigated seventeen (**17**) alerts and all have tested **NEGATIVE** for **COVID-19**. On Tuesday 25th February 2020, two alerts, one along Riara Road and the other in Valley Arcade Nairobi County, were investigated and both **did not** meet the World Health Organization (WHO) case definition criteria.

The Ministry will continue to respond to any alerts as they are reported through the following hotline numbers **0800721316, 0732353535, 0729471414**.

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