COVID-19 DAILY BRIEF

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Table 1: Situation report of confirmed COVID-19 cases and deaths as at 11:50pm May 27th 2020

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Figure 1: Summary of COVID-19 cases in Nigeria as at 11:50pm May 27th 2020

Figure 2: Weekly distribution of total confirmed cases, new cases, deaths and discharged COVID-19 cases in Nigeria (wk11-22)

Figure 3: Distribution of COVID 19 Cases by Geopolitical Zones in Nigeria
Global Updates

According to WHO, total confirmed cases worldwide is 5,491,678 with 349,190 deaths. The top three affected countries include USA, Brazil and Russia Federation. The number of total confirmed cases, new cases and total deaths respectively are as follows: USA (1,634,010; 15,253, and 97,529), Brazil (374,898; 11,687 and 23,473) and Russian Federation (370,680; 8,338 and 3,968). According to Johns Hopkins University’s tally of cases, at least 100,276 people have died from Covid-19 in the US, following the first virus-related death on February 6, an average of nearly 900 Americans have died daily from COVID-19. In the last two days, Brazil’s daily new deaths has surpassed those in US; recording more than 1,000 coronavirus-related deaths.

France has revoked the authorization allowing hydroxychloroquine as a treatment for Covid-19 patients, a day after halting the use of the malaria drug in clinical trials, both steps an aftermath of moves by the World Health Organization to temporarily remove the drug from global trials over safety concerns. South Korean authorities have identified 79 new novel coronavirus cases the most in a single day since April 5; 54 of which were traced to a logistics center in Bucheon, who are possibly linked to cluster identified in a popular nightlife district in Seoul. The UN has reported the COVID-19 pandemic has led to rising unemployment worldwide, especially with young workers affected, creating ‘Lockdown Generation’; the International Labour Organisation warned that the crisis has disproportionately affected young people and could impact their work opportunities and career options for decades to come. In Africa, there are 85,815 confirmed cases and 2,308 deaths. South Africa has the highest record of 24,264 confirmed cases and 524 deaths; followed by Algeria (8,697 confirmed cases, and 617 deaths); Nigeria (8,344 confirmed cases, with 249 deaths) and Ghana (6,964 confirmed cases, with 32 deaths).

Nigeria

Three hundred and eighty-nine (389) new COVID-19 cases have been reported from 22 states- Lagos (256), Katsina (23), Edo (22), Rivers (14), Kano(13), Adamawa (11), Akwa Ibom (11), Kaduna(7), Kwara (6), Nasarawa (6), Gombe (2), Plateau (2), Abia (2), Delta (2), Benue (2), Niger (2), Kogi (2), Oyo (2), Imo (1), Borno (1), Ogun (1), Anambra (1). This makes a total of 8,733 confirmed cases of COVID-19 distributed as follows in 35 states and the FCT: Lagos (4, 012), Kano (936), FCT (519), Katsina (358), Borno (257), Oyo(252), Ogun(242), Jigawa (241), Edo (240), Bauchi (233), Kaduna (215), Rivers(171), Gombe(152), Sokoto (116), Plateau (97), Kwara (85), Zamfara (76), Nasarawa(62), Delta (51), Yobe(47), Osun(44), Adamawa (38), Ebonyi(36), Akwa Ibom (35), Imo (34), Kebbi (32), Niger(30), Ondo (24), Ekiti (20), Taraba (18), Bayelsa (12), Anambra (11), Abia (10), Benue (7), and Kogi (2). This figure is the highest daily cases so far reported since the beginning of the outbreak in the country. Kogi has reported its first case; two cases of the novel coronavirus. Cross Rivers remains the only state without a reported case. There is a general reduction in mortality trends with steady improvement in recoveries as shown in recorded. The Minister of Health, Mr Ehanire has expressed increasing number of new COVID-19 cases may have an overwhelming effect on the
The Federal Government is considering sectionalising classes for primary, secondary, and tertiary institutions in the country ahead of the reopening of schools amid the coronavirus pandemic but is yet to decide on when schools would reopen. The Presidential Task Force (PTF) on COVID-19 has announced that three out of the numerous claims of COVID-19 herbal cure have been identified and forwarded to relevant authorities for further investigation and validation. However, Nigerians need to continue their practice of preventive and precautionary methods to limit the spread of the pandemic.

Lagos State
Two hundred and fifty-six (256) new COVID-19 cases; this brings the total confirmed cases to 4,012. 87 more cases; 40 females & 47 males, all Nigerians have been discharged this brings the total discharged to 825, while COVID-19 related fatalities remain at 47. Research is on-going in Lagos to understand the transmission of COVID-19 infection. Contact tracing and sample collection for COVID-19 still on-going at various sample collection centres across the 20 LGAs of the state.

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