

# COVID-19 EAST AFRICA REPORT

As Of July 7, 2020

# **SOMALIA**

As of July 2, Somalia has **2924 confirmed cases**, **932 recoveries**, **and 90 related deaths**. Somalia has maintained its nighttime curfew from 8pm to 5am. The Somalia Ministry of Health has created a COVID-19 WhatsAPP account to disseminate country information.

## **SOMALILAND**

Available sources estimate Somaliland to have **378 confirmed cases**, **78 recoveries**, **and 27 related deaths** as of July 7. Somaliland has maintained its partial lockdown that began in April.

## DJIBOUTI

As of July 7, Djibouti has **4,878 confirmed cases**, **4,621 recoveries**, and **55 related deaths**. Djibouti has implemented a closure of its land and sea borders that went into effect on May 18th.

## **ETHIOPIA**

As of July 7, Ethiopia has **5,846 confirmed cases**, **2,430 recoveries**, and **103 related deaths**.

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The spread of the coronavirus in East Africa has seen a huge spike in recent weeks. Virtually nonexistent health care systems and dense populations have allowed it to spread unhindered in Somalia, Somaliland, Djibouti and Ethiopia. The region has been faced with a very difficult quarantine effort, as large crowds in cities, markets, and religious gatherings continue to occur. Test kits are far and few between, making accurate assessments of the number of cases impossible. The actual tally of cases is likely much higher than the current numbers due to each country's limited testing capacity. Efforts to slow the spread of the coronavirus in East Africa have been markedly slow and largely unenforced. In

the coming weeks, the number of cases is likely to increase significantly. In the meantime, the greatest responsibility has been left to the people to distance themselves and seek medical treatment.

## SOMALIA

As of April 29, Somalia has **582 confirmed cases**, **19 recoveries**, **and 28 related deaths**. The government has imposed a nighttime curfew from 8pm to 5am.

# **SOMALILAND**

As of April 27, Somaliland has **5 confirmed cases from only 11 conducted tests**. There are few diagnostic kits. No deaths have been attributed to COVID-19 to date, however local populations believe that the virus is more widely present and spreading. The government has implemented a partial lockdown, in effect over all institutions except for mosques.

# DJIBOUTI

As of April 23, Djibouti has **1,077 confirmed cases of COVID-19, 2 related deaths and 183 recoveries**. The government has extended a lockdown similar to that of Somalia and Somaliland, closing all non-essential institutions.

## **ETHIOPIA**

As of April 25, there are **130 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ethiopia**, **3 deaths**, **and 25 recoveries**. Ethiopia has also implemented a partial lockdown, closing schools and requiring most employees to work from home.

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