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Republic of Uganda



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Situation Report 12

Data update as of 01st October 2022 at 22 :00 HRS

	 Districts Affected	 CASES	 Deaths		 Recoveries
		Confirmed	Confirmed	Probable	
New	01	03	01	-	02
Total	05	41	09	20	04

1. Key Highlights

On 20th September 2022, the Ministry of Health declared an outbreak of Sudan ebolavirus (EVD) after a case managed at Mubende Regional Referral Hospital (MRRH) in Mubende district was confirmed through testing at the Uganda Virus Research Institute (UVRI). This follows investigations by the National Rapid Response Team of suspicious deaths that had occurred in the district earlier in the month. This is the first time in more than a decade that Uganda reports an outbreak of Sudan ebolavirus.

Cumulative confirmed cases: 41

Cumulative confirmed deaths: 9 (Case Fatality Rate: 22%)

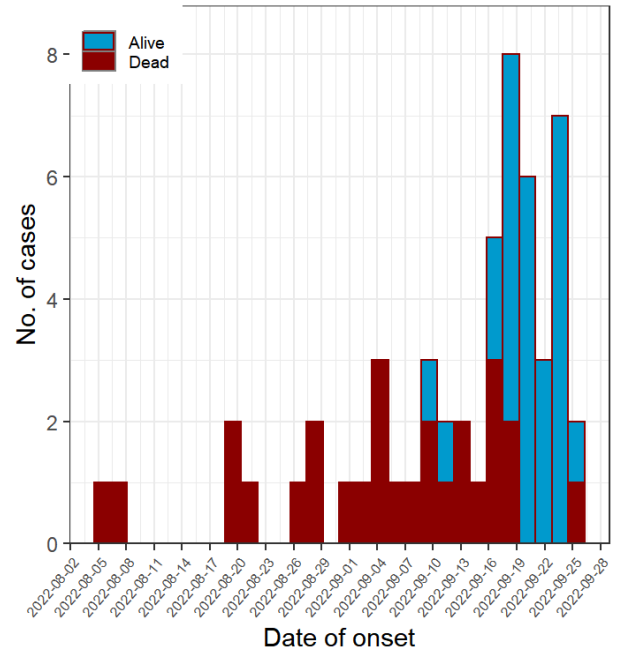
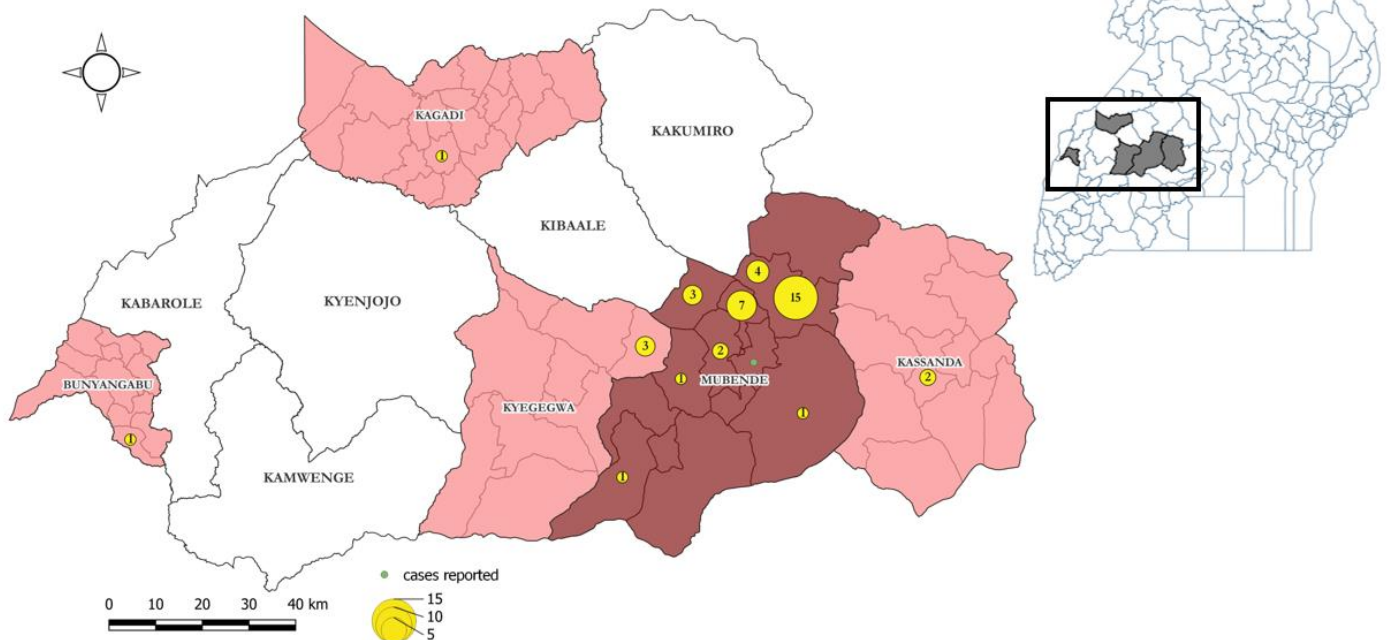


Figure 1: Trend in confirmed cases

Figure 2: Geographical distribution of confirmed cases



Actions to date

The Ministry of Health (MoH), Districts, and partners in Uganda are implementing several outbreak control interventions in Mubende and her surrounding districts to contain the disease spread. An overview of key activities is summarized below:

3.1 Coordination

- Daily DTF meetings held in all four affected districts, as being chaired by the RDC.
- Daily EVD IMT and NTF meetings at the national level to provide strategic guidance to the response.
- Daily partner meetings happening in Mubende and Kyegegwa districts.

3.2 Surveillance and Contact Tracing

- Cumulative contacts listed in currently stand at 795 of which 702 are currently under active follow-up. Of these, were followed up in the last 24 hours, translating to a 70.8% follow-up rate for the day.
- Total alerts verified in the past 24 hours were 26 of which 12 (46.2%) turned into suspected cases.
- Received a total of 12 VHF alerts from other regions of the country including the districts of Kiryandongo (01), Mukono (01), Kyegegwa (01), Fort Portal City (03), Kakumiro (02), Kasese (02), Wakiso (02). All of these tested NEGATIVE by PCR for Ebola, Marburg, CCHF and RVF viruses.

3.3 Laboratory

- The on-site mobile testing laboratory was functionalised today at the Mubende RR Hospital.
- Collected 07 samples from Mubende in the past 24 hours, all tested at the mobile lab.

3.4 Case management

- Two recoveries were registered in the past 24 hours
- Six healthcare workers being managed at the JMEDDIC facility at Fort Portal RR Hospital.
- Team at the Mubende ETU was joined with ten medical officers and twenty nurses from UPDF

3.5 Emergency Medical Services

- Responded to one (01) request for intra-facility transfers, one (01) inter-facility transfer and evacuated four (04) suspected cases from communities to the ETU. Of these, two happened in Mubende, three in Kassanda and one in Kakumiro.

3.6 Infection Prevention and Control, WASH, Safe and Dignified Burials

- Supported the discharge of 02 survivors and 02 suspects who turned negative by ensuring they have a happy shower with 0.05% Chlorine.

3.7 Risk communication, social mobilization and community engagement

- Four local radio stations (Point FM, Mubende FM, Heart FM and Tropical FM) and all village community radios are currently running daily talk-shows and spot announcements on EVD awareness for the next 3 months; government radio talk-show airtime allocated to EVD awareness by RDC in Kyegegwa.
- Conducted awareness meetings with VHTs and leaders from the parishes of Lugini, Kyamulinga, Kalagala, Kiryajoby and Bucucu in Kijuna Sub-county of Kassanda district, where a total of 75 attendees were reached.
- Oriented and sensitized SDA churches in Mubende including Pastors, church elders worshippers, children and adults. Total attendance was 348 male adults, 110 female adults, 115 male children and 51 female children.

- ➔ Oriented and sensitized 96 Sub county councilors (70 male and 26 female) and head teachers at Nabingola, Lubimbiri, and Nabingola Town council in Mubende.
- ➔ More IEC materials have been distributed today, including 5 banners, 300 posters and 50 fact sheets in English and Luganda.
- ➔ Sensitization of students and teachers at schools was done at Destiny high school-Kagavu reaching out to 150 students (65 females and 85 males)
- ➔ Three film vans have been deployed to Nabingola Town council, Nabingola sub county, and Lubimbiri sub county and carried out sensitization throughout the day. They have managed to disseminate EVD messages to over 2,000 people. Other 2 film vans are in Kyegegwa and Kasanda districts to undertake community sensitization and mobilization.

3.8 Logistics

- ➔ Received assorted supplies for the Mubende ETU including oxygen concentrators, pulse oximeters, glucometers, beds, mattresses and several essential drugs.

3.9 Psychosocial Support

- ➔ Visited the family of one of the confirmed cases in Kassanda to address some of the challenges faced including depression and stigma.

4. Key Messaging

People in the community should call an alert hotline or go to a health facility if they have symptoms (e.g., fever, headache, weakness, vomiting, bloody diarrhea or urine, bleeding from body openings).

- ➔ Current hotline numbers are: **0800100066, 0708062203, 0762640379, 0762640374, 0702869375**
- ➔ Free alert SMS to Ureport on **8500**
- ➔ Community should not fear people who have been discharged from the ETU and returned home.