

# EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE

Republic of Uganda



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### Situation Report 14

Data update as of 03<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 at 22 :00 HRS

	Districts Affected	CASES	Deaths		Recoveries
		Confirmed	Confirmed	Probable	
New	01	00	00	-	00
Total	05	43	09	20	04

## Key Highlights

On 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

- Zero new EVD confirmed and deaths in the past 24 hours.
- CFR among confirmed is 09/43 (20.9%)
- Contacts follow-up rate was 77.1%.
- Total of Ten healthcare workers infected, with three deaths.

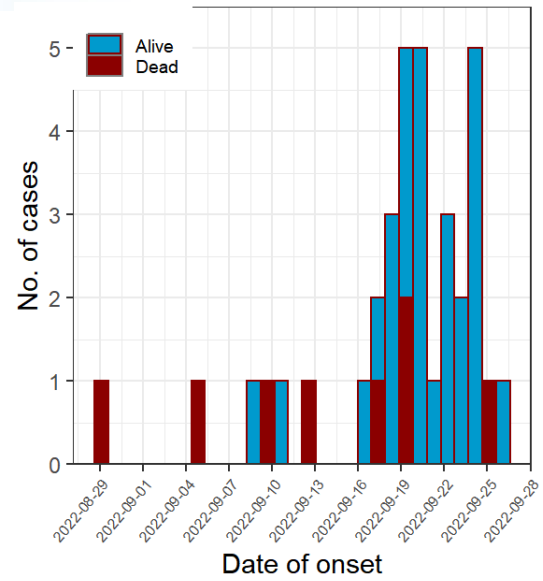
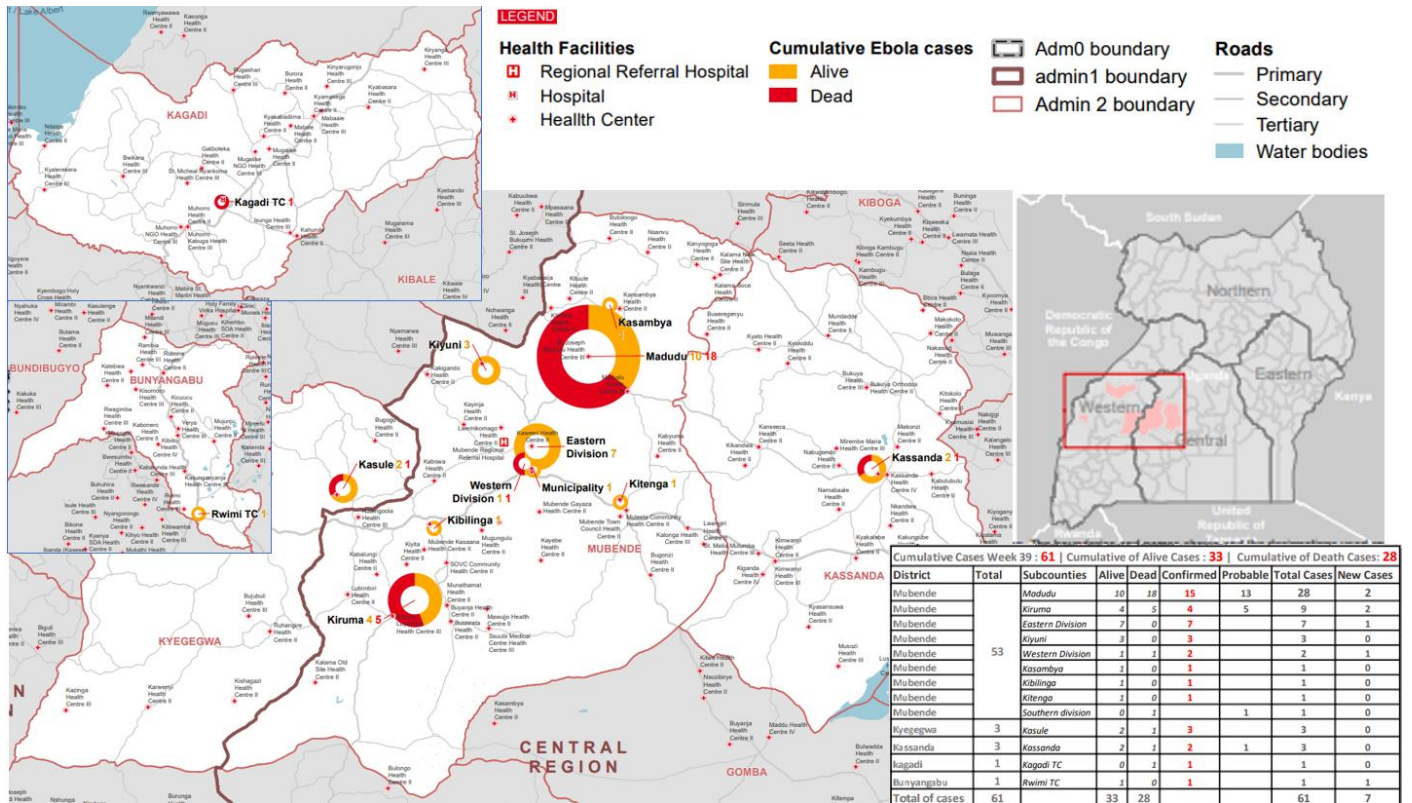


Figure 1: Geographical distribution of confirmed cases and probable deaths



## 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:

Response Pillar	Key Updates in the past 24 hours
Coordination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ecological research studies commenced in Madudu sub-county</li> <li>➤ Daily DTF meetings held in all affected districts, IMT and NTF meetings happen daily at national level</li> </ul>

Response Pillar	Key Updates in the past 24 hours
<b>Surveillance and Contact tracing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Contacts tracing follow-up rate in past 24 hours was 77.1%.</li> <li>➤ Total alerts verified in the past 24 hours were 37, of which 14 (37.8%) met suspect case definition.</li> <li>➤ Received a total of 36 VHF alerts from 21 other districts outside the affected districts. All of these tested NEGATIVE by PCR for Ebola, Marburg, CCHF and RVF viruses.</li> </ul>
<b>Laboratory</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ On-site mobile testing laboratory functionalised at the Mubende RR Hospital.</li> <li>➤ Eleven healthcare workers from Kassanda trained in sample collection, packaging and transportation</li> </ul>
<b>Case Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Four medical officers joined the ETU team today</li> <li>➤ Nalutuntu HCIII in Kassanda district approved for suitability as an isolation centre</li> </ul>
<b>Emergency Medical Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Responded to one requests for inter-facility transfers, one intra-facility transfer and evacuated seven suspected cases from communities to the ETU.</li> <li>➤ Trained four healthcare workers and two ambulance drivers from Kassanda in evacuation; also trained 17 Essential Medical Services personnel from Kakumiro and Kasambya on IPC measures</li> </ul>
<b>Psychosocial Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Counselling done for one family in Kyegegwa that had been child-headed following admission of both parents in the Mubende ETU; Re-integrated two people that had been discharged from Mubende ETU into their original Kyegegwa community.</li> <li>➤ Offered psychosocial counselling to a child recently discharged from the Mubende ETU that had been turned away from school in Kyegegwa</li> </ul>
<b>Infection Prevention and Control</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Continuous disinfection of the green Zone at Mubende RRH and disinfection of homes for evacuated suspected cases</li> <li>➤ Re-oriented 59 healthcare workers and inspectors of schools on IPC measures EVD in Mubende and Kassanda.</li> <li>➤ Disinfected two households in Sweswe, Kyaka II Refugee camp of Kyegegwa and Kansera, Mubende Municipality</li> <li>➤ At least 22 healthcare workers deployed strategically to support IPC mentorship in healthcare facilities.</li> </ul>
<b>WASH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mentored 22 staff in WASH, who have been deployed to all private and public healthcare facilities of Mubende, targeting 270 healthcare facilities.</li> <li>➤ Tanks slabs have been set up at the Mubende RR Hospital and Madudu HCIII</li> <li>➤ Drilling of a borehole commenced in Madudu HCIII to boost the existing water supply infrastructure.</li> </ul>
<b>Safe and dignified burials</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Oriented two burial teams and 13 hygienists at Mubende ETU and Kassanda.</li> <li>➤ Supported two burials in Madudu Sub county</li> </ul>
<b>Risk Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Four local radio stations are running daily talk-shows and spot announcements on EVD awareness; Risk communication announcements are running at 10 community radio towers in the hotspots.</li> <li>➤ Risk communication drives conducted in Ntungamo barracks and in the sub-counties of Kasambya and Kyenda.</li> <li>➤ Two film vans mobilized in Mubende, Kagadi, Kyegegwa and Kasanda districts.</li> </ul>
<b>Social Mobilisation and Community Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Communities and VHTs of Bukuya, Makokoto, Kitumbi, Kijuna, Mbirizi and Kassanda in Kassanda sensitized on EVD awareness and key prevention strategies</li> <li>➤ At least 1,750 posters and 6 banners distributed; house-to-house sensitization campaigns about Ebola are ongoing in Kyegegwa.</li> </ul>
<b>Logistics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Received assorted supplies in Mubende and Kassanda including PPEs, overalls, JIK, spray pumps, wooden pallets, tarpaulin, essential medicines, discharge packages, fuel, vehicles, generators, stationery, digital thermometers, infra-red thermometers from MoH and partners. These are being distributed to healthcare facilities.</li> <li>➤ Concluded the installation of the storage tents and the field teams tent</li> </ul>

### 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.