

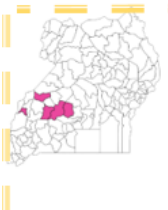





# EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE

## Republic of Uganda



### Situation Report 30

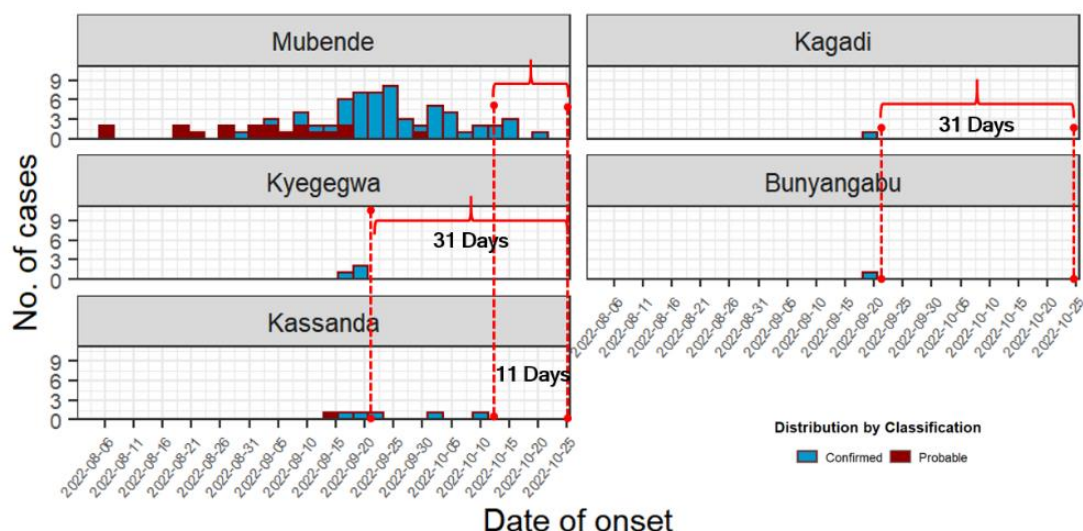
Data update as of 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 22 :00 HRS

	<p><b>Districts Affected</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mubende</li> <li>Kassanda</li> <li>Kyegegwa</li> <li>Bunyangabu</li> <li>Kagadi</li> </ul>		<p><b>Confirmed Cases</b></p> <p>New: 01 Total: 65</p>		<p><b>Deaths</b></p> <p>New: 02 Cumulative: 27</p>
	<p><b>Recoveries</b></p> <p>New: 00 Cumulative: 26</p>		<p><b>Contacts</b></p> <p>Districts: 10 Active contacts: 935 Follow-up Rate: 95%</p>		<p><b>Healthcare Worker Infections</b></p> <p>Dead: 04 Cumulative: 10</p>

## Key Highlights

On 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022, the Ministry of Health declared an outbreak of Sudan ebolavirus (SVD) 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 followed 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.

- Today marks 31 days of responding to the EVD outbreak, first case was confirmed on 19-Sep-2022.
- One newly confirmed EVD case and two new confirmed deaths, all from Mubende reported in the past 24 hours. The new case was under follow up as a contact.
- Cumulative confirmed cases and deaths currently are 65 and 27 respectively
- CFR among confirmed is 27/65 (42%).
- Contacts being followed-up in ten districts, follow-up rate in the past 24 hours was 95%



### Summary of Confirmed Cases and probable deaths by Sub-County as of 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 22:00 HRS

District	Sub-County	Confirmed Cases	Confirmed Deaths	Probable Deaths*
Mubende	Madudu	20	07	13
	Eastern Division	07	01	00
	Southern Division	07	03	00
	Bayeza	02	02	01
	Western Division	02	01	00
	Kasambya	03	01	00
	Kibalinga	01	01	00
	Kiruuma	08	03	05
	Kitenga	01	00	00
	Butologo	01	01	00
	Kiyuni	03	03	00
Kyegegwa	Kasule	03	01	00
Kassanda	Kassanda	01	01	01
	Kiganda	01	01	00
	Kalwana	04	00	00
Kagadi	Kagadi TC	01	01	00
Bunyangabu	Rwimi TC	01	00	00
<b>Total</b>		<b>65</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>20</b>

Data harmonisation is an on-going process as patient classification changes between admissions, recoveries and fatalities.

\*All probable deaths reported as occurring before 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

## Contact Tracing, Alert Management and Laboratory summaries as of 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 22:00 HRS

Updated 20Oct22 at 22:00 hrs	Last 24 Hours										Total
	MUB	KYE	FPC	KAS	KAG	KAK	KLA	Luw	NAK	BUN	
Contacts listed	14	0	0	1	0	0	1	5	0	0	21
Contacts completed 21 days of follow-up	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	8
Contacts under active follow-up	771	0	1	88	0	9	57	5	2	48	981
Contacts followed-up today (% follow-up rate)	730 (95)	0	1 (100)	88 (100)	0	09 (100)	52 (92)	5 (100)	2 (100)	48 (100)	935 (95)
Number of Contacts developing symptoms	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Number of Contacts evacuated	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Signals / Calls received	125	1	0	22	0	2	6	0	1	14	171
Alerts received	63	1	0	22	0	2	6	0	1	14	109
Alerts verified (%)	63 (100)	1 (100)	0	20 (100)	0	2 (100)	6 (100)	0	1 (100)	14 (100)	107 (98)
Alerts meeting suspect case definition	20	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Alerts evacuated	17	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Samples collected	53	0	0	1	0	0	5	0	1	0	60
EMS ambulance fleet	16			8							24
EMS alerts handled	53			21							74
EMS evacuations to ED	9										9
EMS evacuations to ETU	11										11
EMS evacuations to Madudu	0										0
EMS intra-facility evacuations	1										1
	<b>Cumulative</b>										
Contacts listed	1636	58	3	132	23	68	58	5	8	48	2,039
Contacts completed 21 days of follow-up	764	55	0	33	23	58	0	0	6	0	939
Samples collected	695	34	17	19	0	21	66	12	3	3	870

**Table Acronyms:** MUB=Mubende, KYE=Kyegegwa, FPC= Fort Portal City, KAS=Kassanda, KAG=Kagadi, KLA = Kampala, BUN = Bunyangabu, KAK = Kakumiro, NAK = Nakasongola, LUW = Luweero

### 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:

<i>Response Pillar</i>	<b>Key Updates in the past 24 hours</b>
<i>Coordination</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Daily DTF meetings within all affected districts</li> <li>➤ Enforcement personnel strategically deployed around the borders of Kassanda and Mubende to support ensuring limitation of movement outside the two districts</li> <li>➤ Activated the Nakasongola DTF and contact tracing today, including alert lines.</li> </ul>
<i>Surveillance and Contact tracing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Contacts identified of confirmed and probable cases in the districts of: Mubende, Kyegegwa, Fort Portal City, Kassanda, Kagadi, Kampala, Bunyangabu, Kakumiro, Nakasongola and Luweero. Alerts being received and validated country-wide.</li> <li>➤ Total contacts under follow up is 935 in nine districts. The follow up rate for contacts is at 95%</li> <li>➤ A total of 107 alerts validated, 30 of which met the suspected case definition and 23 evacuated</li> </ul>

**Response  
Pillar**

**Key Updates in the past 24 hours**

<i>Laboratory</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Oriented eight Health Assistants on Community Based Disease Surveillance in Kyegegwa.</li> <li>➤ Alert Management System being strengthened in Kassanda</li> <li>➤ Active search performed in Kirungi, Kibaati, Kisekende and Kangulumira villages of South Division, Mubende where 15 contacts were listed.</li> </ul>
<i>Case Management</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A total of 60 samples collected in the past 24 hours</li> <li>➤ Trained 84 laboratory staff in Kampala in EVD sample collection, biosafety and biosecurity</li> <li>➤ Mobile laboratory operational at the Mubende ETU with adequate test kits facilitating timely sample collection, testing and release of test results.</li> </ul>
<i>Emergency Medical Services</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Routine clinical rounds done at Mubende, Madudu and Entebbe ETUs</li> <li>➤ Sixteen new admissions in Mubende and one in Madudu ETUs within the last 24 hours.</li> <li>➤ Held one follow-up meeting with MSF for operationalization of new ETU at Mubende</li> <li>➤ All suspected cases in Nakasongola are being isolated and managed at the EVD isolation unit at Nakasongola HCIV.</li> <li>➤ The 5-day orientation of 27 health workers in Kyegegwa on EVD case management and IPC is on its fourth day</li> </ul>
<i>Safe and Dignified Burials</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Evacuated one suspected case (37/F) to Mulago ETU</li> <li>➤ Five vans assigned to Kassanda to support Health worker transportation, identified an appropriate washing area for ambulances</li> <li>➤ Responded to 53 alerts in Mubende and 21 in Kassanda.</li> </ul>
<i>Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Continuous support of burials within Mubende and Kassanda, following the presidential directives on the EVD response</li> <li>➤ Oriented 53 IPC mentors from Kawempe and Kampala Central divisions to cascade IPC trainings among IPC focal persons</li> <li>➤ Kampala held an orientation on IPC assessment using the Balance Score Card</li> <li>➤ Team in Kassanda oriented 23 healthcare workers in IPC and disinfection.</li> <li>➤ There is an ongoing training of Counsellors, Psychiatric nurses &amp; CDOs in IPC and MHPSS.</li> </ul>
<i>WASH Risk Communication</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Installed three water tanks at Bujubuli HCIII holding centre of Kyegegwa</li> <li>➤ Risk communication drives commenced in Nakasongola district</li> <li>➤ Held the 8th Radio talk show on Kyegegwa Community Raido, focusing on EVD Infection Prevention and Control practices.</li> <li>➤ Team in Kassanda conducted two radio talk shows on Kassanda FM and Bukuya FM</li> <li>➤ On-going public health awareness in Mubende: Two 2 radio talk shows by RDC and Deputy RDC to address lockdown and security issues; Municipal Council health staff on health awareness on EVD and continuity of health services; 15 radio spots continue to run daily; Community audio tower messages continue to run in 10 hotspot areas</li> <li>➤ Received 1000 posters for schools in Kagadi</li> <li>➤ One radio talk show held in Bunyangabu</li> </ul>
<i>Social Mobilisation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Team in Kassanda engaged communities of Kitumbi Sub county within villages of Kabuyimba, Kagaba, Lubali, Mundadde, Kalungi, Kayindiindi, Kireba, Kabuulo, Katugo P/S. IEC materials distributed during the drives.</li> <li>➤ One community drive conducted in Bukere in Kyegegwa</li> </ul>
<i>Community Engagement</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ In Kyegegwa, held an engagement with 40 Boda Boda riders to sensitize them on the presidential directives to control spread of EVD</li> <li>➤ Engagements held with Kampala representatives of special interest groups including cultural, religious, herbalists, as well as political leaders.</li> <li>➤ Held a house-to-house EDV sensitization in Bugogo and Kasule villages of Kyegegwa.</li> <li>➤ RCCE team successfully engaged two schools of Kaweeri Model primary school and St. Jude Luteete Primary School in Mubende on EVD prevention reaching a total of 874 (447 boys &amp; 427 girls) and 15 teachers (4 males &amp; 11 females); distributed 50 posters &amp; 250 factsheets to these schools.</li> <li>➤ Three schools were assessed in Madudu sub-county using a developed tool to establish gaps and all were compliant on EVD prevention SOPs.</li> <li>➤ Engaged with 29 farmers (20 males &amp; 9 females) of Twifatanye group in Madudu and 6 hotel workers (2 males &amp; 4 females) in East Division in Mubende municipality on EVD prevention.</li> </ul>
<i>Logistics</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Continuous distribution of logistical requirements to all responding districts, as per received requests</li> </ul>

**Response  
Pillar**

**Key Updates in the past 24 hours**

*Mental Health  
and  
Psychosocial  
Social Support*

- Received assorted PPEs, IEC materials in Kyegegwa, Kassanda
- Held a tele-counselling for a family member in Isunga Village of Kyegegwa where a suspected EVD death occurred.
- Held one tele-counselling session with nine individuals from the families that registered positive cases in Kabarungi Village, Bugogo Town Council of Kyegegwa
- Team in Kassanda visited Nkongge, Kalamba Trading Centres, Kalwana, and Manyogasekka villages addressing issues related to EVD stigma, anxiety, fear, and early treatment seeking
- Counselling one contact from Kassanda who escaped from the ETU, together with the family.
- In Mubende, a total of 16 suspected clients were reunited with their families; three clients from emergency ward were prepared for discharge and escorted back home; three from Madudu ETU were resettled back to their communities.
- Supportive counselling offered to seven confirmed cases and four clients from suspect wing in Mubende
- Held a phone follow up on the recently discharged 8-months old baby boy whose mother is an EVD confirmed client to ascertain his wellbeing.

**Critical Challenges listed**

- Myths and misconceptions and low EVD risk perception still exist within some of the affected communities.
- Human resource challenges in light of increasing community-based evacuations and admissions as well as need to expand suspect case isolation
- Insufficient supplies of IEC and IPC material for Nakasongola; district being supported to make request through Logistics pillar
- No film van in Kyegegwa

**Key messages to the public**

- 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 diarrhoea or urine, bleeding from body openings).
- Current hotline numbers for Mubende are: **0800200043 (Toll-free), 0762640374, 0762640379, 0708062203, 0702869375, 0708052008, 0762659215 (Not toll-free)**. For Kampala Metropolitan Area: **0800 299000 (toll-free), 0756 979282, 0782 160 174, 0780 384 997, 0771 414 202 (non-toll free)**. Bunyangabu: **0787437139**
- Free alert SMS on **6767** starting with the 'ALERT' key word; Free alert SMS to U-report on 8500
- Community should not fear people who have been discharged from the ETU and returned home.