



Situation Update on the Suspected Viral Haemorrhagic Fever in Gangura Payam, Yambio County, Western Equatoria, South Sudan

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Key Figures		What we know as of 23 December 2023	
Number of new cases in the last 24 hours	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 7th December 2023, an 18-year-old male from Kangura village in Gangura payam Yambio County developed illness characterized by generalized body weakness, headache, epigastric discomfort, fever, and vomiting The patient was initially diagnosed with typhoid and put on treatment on the same day (7th December 2023). He completed the treatment with no improvement and instead developed vomiting with blood. The mother of the patient reported the development of the illness to health worker on the 21st of Dec 2023. Three other cases from Sakure and Bauskengbi with symptoms of vomiting blood were reported to have died prior to this suspected case. All cases were reported as community deaths. 	
Number of new deaths in the last 24 hours	0		
Cumulative number of suspected cases	1		
Cumulative number of deaths	0		
Case fatality ration (C.F.R)	0		
Suspected Viral Haemorrhagic Fever in Gangura Payam, Yambio County		What we have done as of 23 December 2023	
		Coordination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WHO and the State Ministry of Health (SMOH) has provided operational and strategic guidance to the ongoing VHF preparedness and response The Public Health Emergency Operation Centre (PHEOC) is put on Alert Mode to support the investigation and response Surveillance, laboratory, and reporting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The sample from the suspected case was received by the NPHL on 22 December. Laboratory investigation was conducted, and the sample test negative for Ebola and Marburg. Differential testing is ongoing at the NPHL Another laboratory sample is being shipped to UVRI for additional testing Case management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The case is currently isolated at Gangura PHCC in a separate room. Contacts are listed and monitoring has been initiated. Logistic and supplies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stock taking of PPEs at the state level conducted and distributed to health facilities. 	
Partner presence			
Pillar	Partner supporting		
Coordination	MOH, WHO		
Surveillance	MOH, WHO & CGPP-WVI		
Case Management	MOH		
IPC/WASH	WHO, MOH		
RCCE	MOH, WHO & UNICEF		
SDB	MOH		
Challenges			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited partners on the ground to support the response Follow-up of the listed contacts 			
Next steps			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deployment of national rapid response Team (2 epidemiologists, 1 IPC, 1 Laboratory and 1 Safe and Dignified Burial Daily meetings with partners and stakeholders on the ongoing investigation and response. 			
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