

**CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) STATUS UPDATE – KENYA EMBASSY, DUBLIN**

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2021**

**TABLE ONE: Kenya Diaspora in Ireland**

<b>NUMBER OF DIASPORA (Estimate)</b>	<b>NUMBER OF DISTRESSED KENYANS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF KENYAN STUDENTS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF DISTRESSED STUDENTS</b>	<b>NUMBER INFECTED BY COVID-19</b>	<b>NUMBER OF SICK IN HDU/ICU</b>	<b>NUMBER OF RECOVERIES</b>	<b>NUMBER OF DEATHS</b>
3,000 – 5,000	0	200	0	5	0	4	1

**TABLE TWO: Current Global Situation on COVID-19**

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TOTAL CONFIRMED CASES</b>	<b>NEW CASES</b>	<b>NEW DEATHS</b>	<b>TOTAL DEATHS</b>	<b>TOTAL RECOVERIES</b>	<b>REMARKS/NOTES/OBSERVATIONS</b>
	<b>21<sup>st</sup> July 2021</b>	<b>287,951</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,026</b>	<b>262,338</b>	<p><b>The HSE was forced to shut down all of its IT systems in mid May 2021 following a "significant" ransomware/cyber-attack, which focused on accessing data stored on central servers.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total number hospitalised – 14,430 <b>(95 hospitalised as of 21/07/21)</b></li> <li>• Total number admitted to ICU – 1,543 <b>(23 in ICU as of 21/07/21)</b></li> <li>• Total number of healthcare workers – 28,852</li> <li>• Median age - 40</li> <li>• 60% are under 35 years of age</li> <li>• Male – 121,540 and Female- 132,352</li> <li>• community transmission accounts for 30%, close contact accounts for 67%, travel abroad accounts for 1.4%</li> <li>• Dublin – 90,557, Limerick – 11,538 and Cork – 22,757</li> <li>• 3,026,154 people have received their first dose, 2,318,532 people have received their second dose, <b>TOTAL VACCINATIONS: 5,344,686</b></li> </ul>
	<b>20<sup>th</sup> July 2021</b>	286,691	1,110	1	5,026		
	<b>19<sup>th</sup> July 2021</b>	285,581	1,071	1	5,025		
	<b>18<sup>th</sup> July 2021</b>	284,510	1,179	1	5,024		
	<b>17<sup>th</sup> July 2021</b>	283,331	1,377	1	5,023		
	<b>16<sup>th</sup> July 2021</b>	281,954	1,170	2	5,022		
	<b>15<sup>th</sup> July 2021</b>	280,784	994	14	5,020		
	<b>14<sup>th</sup> July 2021</b>	279,790	789	1	5,006		

**TABLE THREE: Mitigating Factors of Covid-19**

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>Measures taken by the host government to contain COVID-19</b>	<b>Status of Flights &amp; Other Transport to Kenya</b>	<b>Impact on Kenyan Diaspora</b>	<b>Status of Kenyans affected by COVID-19</b>	<b>Potential Impact on Kenya</b>
<b>IRELAND</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 65% of the adult population are fully vaccinated and 75% of adults have received a first dose of Covid-19 vaccine.</li> <li>2. Deputy Chief Medical Officer Dr Ronan Glynn has informed that ‘Incidence of covid-19 is highest and increasing rapidly in those aged 19-24 and 16-18 years old.’</li> <li>3. The Government has informed that all passengers arriving into Ireland require a negative/‘not detected’ result from a pre-departure COVID-19 PCR test carried out no more than 72hours prior to the passenger’s arrival in Ireland.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Dublin Airport is open to all airlines subject to Guidelines on COVID-19 on travel.</li> <li>2. The Department of Foreign Affairs continues to advise against all non-essential travel overseas.</li> <li>3. Ireland is tightening its grip on international travel amid a growing appetite for stricter quarantining rules on those travelling into the country.</li> <li>4. Passengers arriving to Ireland from overseas are required to self-isolate for a period of 14 days and complete a ‘Public Health Passenger Locator Form’.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. There are estimated 3,000 to 5,000 Kenyans in Ireland. While Kenyan students in Ireland are estimated to be 200.</li> <li>2. Ireland estimates 500,000 job losses due to the crisis. A number of Kenyans are affected, those in formal employment receive government cash subsidies.</li> <li>3. Ireland’s unemployment - including those receiving emergency coronavirus jobless benefit - shot up to nearly 30% new figures show.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Two (2) Kenyans tested positive for COVID-19. They have since made a full recovery.</li> <li>2. One Kenya, (Female) has been reported to have died due to complications relating to Covid-19.</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduction in travel/tourism to Kenya (fewer visa applications)</li> <li>• Fewer Remittance</li> </ul>

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information**

- The Department of Foreign Affairs has informed of the legal requirement to quarantine on arrival in Ireland for all travellers (except if their journey originates in Northern Ireland), and has advised Missions that the Minister for Health has added an **additional countries to the Category 2 list of countries and territories**, with effect from **20<sup>th</sup> July 2021**.

The full list is given below;

- **African countries:**, Botswana, Burundi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini, , Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Uganda
- **Latin American countries/territories:** Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Trinidad and Tobago.
- **Other countries:** Kuwait, Myanmar, Pakistan, Bangladesh, India
- Stricter quarantine conditions apply for travellers following travel connected to Category 2 countries. Travellers who arrive in Ireland after having been in a Category 2 country in the period of 14 days prior to the date on which they arrive in Ireland must undertake a 14-day quarantine period at the address specified on the Passenger Locator Form or, where no Covid-19 Passenger Locator Form was completed in respect of the relevant traveller, at the relevant traveller's place of residence.
- They must complete the full 14 days of quarantine, regardless of whether they have or receive a negative test result.
- Failure to comply with the legal requirement for mandatory quarantine is an offence and individuals who fail to comply can be fined up to €2,500 or receive a prison sentence of up to 6 months, or both.