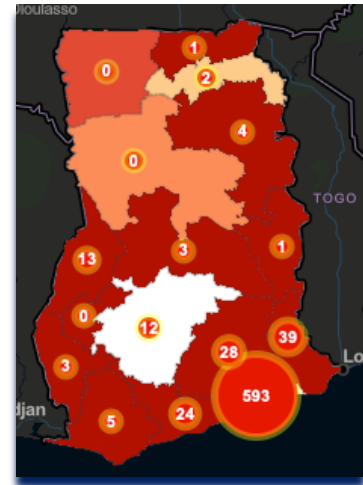




CODVID-19 UPDATE GHANA

Ref No: C19/96
Confirmed Cases: 53,954
Death: 333
Recovered: 52,675



CURRENT SITUATION

The Ghana Health Service has reported 98 new COVID-19 cases. This brings the cumulative figures to **53,954**; 52,675 (97.6%) of them having recovered. Six new deaths have taken total fatalities to to 333, leaving active cases at 946.

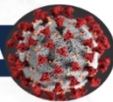
COMMENTARY

New cases are currently increasing as are active case numbers. Active cases are expected to increase due to the disregard for COVID-19 preventive protocols in public places i.e. open markets following elections and run up to Christmas and the New Year celebrations. In the latest address to the nation, the President Nana Akufo-Addo noted that land and sea borders remain closed. Beaches and nightclubs are also to remain closed. Yet these continued restriction are seen as minor measures compared with the blatant disregard for standard protocols and the governments commitment in enforcing any nationwide compliance.



COVID-19 CASE COUNTS - GHANA

21-12-2020, 10:00 GMT



INFECTIONS	DEATHS	RECOVERIES	TESTS
53954	333	52675	644113

CONCLUSION

With a new more vilerant strain now identified and 'out of control' in the UK which health experts say is fast spreading, countries around the world are banning flights to and from the UK. Non-essential travel to the UK is, therefore, not advised. Since Akufo-Addo has not announced any ban on UK, staff travelling from there should quarantine for 14 days before joining the team. Much of Europe will undergo further lockdown post Christmas as the pandemic grapples vaccine delivery whilst containing the new strain.

