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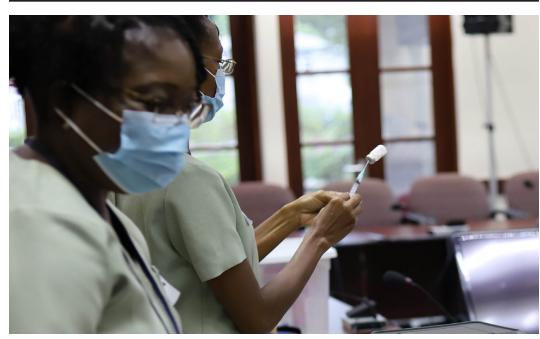


COVID-19 Situation Update - 111

08 January 2021

This situation update is on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) reported cases and deaths, Globally, Regionally, for Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories, and the United Kingdom Överseas Territories.

COVAX Facility in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean Countries



Region of the Americas 38,417,522

904,118

deaths in

56 countries, areas, or territories

Global

87,191,663

1,898,142

deaths in

236 countries, areas, or territories

COVAX is one of three pillars of the Access to COVID-19 Tools (ACT) Accelerator, (https://www.who.int/initiatives/act-accelerator) which was launched in April 2020, in response to this pandemic.

The purpose of the COVAX is to ensure that all people will get access to COVID-19 vaccines once they are available, regardless of their wealth. COVAX will achieve this by acting as a platform that will support the research, development and manufacturing of a wide range of COVID-19 vaccine candidates and negotiate their pricing. By joining COVAX, countries will gain access to this portfolio of vaccines, as and when they prove to be both safe and effective. The COVAX Facility was created to make all this a reality.

The Facility is making investments across a broad portfolio of selected promising vaccine candidates and will do a pooled procurement and equitable distribution of eventual COVID-19 vaccines for all countries that participate.

Participating in the COVAX Facility is voluntary, however, they are several requirements that countries must meet. Additionally, countries need to be prepared to receive and apply the vaccine. The following table summarizes the status of Barbados and the ECC, it was developed based on data submitted to PAHO ECC.

Country	Participatiing in COVAX	GAVI COVAX AMC ¹	Priority Country for the 100 countries 100 days initiative	Conducted COVID-19 Vaccine Introduction Readiness Assessment #1	Developed a draft National Deployment and Vaccination Plan	Submitted Vaccine Request Form Part A	Submitted Vaccine Request Form Part B (Indemnity)	Submitted Vaccine Information Form
Anguilla								
Antigua & Barbuda	✓		✓			N/A	N/A	
Barbados				✓	✓	N/A	N/A	✓
British Virgin Islands	✓				✓	N/A	N/A	
Dominica	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	N/A
Grenada	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		N/A
Montserrat	✓					N/A	N/A	
Saint Kitts & Nevis	✓		√			N/A	N/A	
Saint Lucia	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		N/A
Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	✓	✓	✓	✓	√	✓	✓	N/A

¹ COVAX Avance Market Commitment (AMC) Countries eligible for financial support

More Information on COVAX: https://www.gavi.org/vaccineswork/covax-explained

COVID-19 highlights:

Since the end of December, some countries have experienced a surge in COVID-19 cases.

- 1. 08 January 2021 Barbados reported 05 new cases, Grenada 04 cases and Saint Lucia 12 cases.
- 2. 07 January 2021 Antigua and Barbuda reported 04 new cases and Saint Vincent & the Grenadines, 55 cases.

COUNTRY	COVID-19 CASE UPDATE
Anguilla	last case on 02 January 2021
Antigua and Barbuda	last case on 07 January 2021
Barbados	last case on 08 January 2021
British Virgin Islands (UK)	last case on 24 December 2020
Dominica	last case on 07 January 2021
Grenada	last case on 08 January 2021
Montserrat	no new cases for 169 days
Saint Kitts and Nevis	last case on 07 January 2021
Saint Lucia	last case on 08 January 2021
Saint Vincent & the Grenadines	last case on 07 January 2021

Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories

COUNTRY	CONFIRMED CASES	DEATHS	# OF TESTS	TRANSMISSION TYPE	STATUS OF SCHOOLS	TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS	MASKS MANDATORY	STATE OF EMERGENCY (CURFEW)	COVID-19 WEB ADDRESS AND HOTLINE	
ANGUILLA	15	0	-	Sporadic cases	Open	Yes	No	No	https://beatcovid19.ai/ (264) 476-7627	
ANTIGUA & BARBUDA	167	5	6,950	Sporadic cases	Reopened 7 Sep. 2020	Yes	-	Yes	https://ab.gov.ag/detail_page. php?page=42 (268) 462-6843	
BARBADOS	780	7	79,057	Clusters of cases	Closed	Yes	In public buildings	Yes	https://gisbarbados.gov.bb/covid-19/ (246) 536-4500	
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS	107	1	10,274	Clusters of cases		Yes	Yes	No	https://bvi.gov.vg/covid-19 (284) 852-7650	
DOMINICA	106	0	8,028	Clusters of cases	Reopened 7 Sep. 2020	Yes	Specific settings only	No	http://dominica.gov.dm/corona (767) 448-2151	
FRENCH GUIANA	13,825	73	-	Community transmission	-	Yes	-	-		
GRENADA	131	1	11,107	Sporadic cases	Varied stages of reopening	Lifted	Yes	Yes	https://covid19.gov.gd/ (473) 458-4787 / (473) 538-4787	
GUADELOUPE	8,702	155	-	Community transmission	-	Yes	-	-	https://www.guadeloupe.ars.sante.fr/	
MARTINIQUE	6,117	43	-	Community transmission	-	Yes	-	-	https://www.martinique.ars.sante.fr/	
MONTSERRAT	13	1	643	No cases	Reopened 7 Sep. 2020	Yes	No	No	http://www.gov.ms/latest-on-the-coro- navirus/	
SAINT BARTHELEMY	191	0	-	Sporadic cases	-	-	-	-		
ST KITTS & NEVIS	34	0	4,623	Sporadic cases	Reopened 9 Sep. 2020	Yes	Yes	Yes	https://www.covid19.gov.kn/	
SAINT LUCIA	395	5	18,291	Sporadic cases	Closed.	Yes	Specific settings only	Yes	https://www.covid19response.lc/	
SAINT MARTIN	1,002	12	-	Community transmission	-	-	-	-	https://www.stmartinweek.fr/	
ST VINCENT & THE GRENADINES	204	0	21,522	Sporadic cases	Varied stages of reopening	No	Specific settings only	No	http://health.gov.vc/health/index.php/c (784) 534-4325	
TOTAL	23,959	303	160,495							

Table 1: COVID-19 status in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories. 'Sporadic cases' indicates countries/territories/areas with one or more cases, imported or locally detected. 'Clusters of cases' indicates countries/territories/areas experiencing cases clustered in time, geographic location and/or by common exposures.

Data in red new. Disclaimer: Data is updated by 5:00PM each day and there could be delays in reporting. Any discrepancies from national data figures will be edited on the next issue.

PAHO's Response



On 22 December 2020, the Government of Saint Lucia received a donation of ventilators from the PAHO/ WHO Office for Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean Countries.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the six ventilators were provided to increase Saint Lucia's capacity to treat patients with respiratory issues. To date, PAHO has donated several essential COVID-19 equipment and supplies to Saint Lucia including, personal protective equipment, oxygen concentrators and laboratory supplies. Training of human resources has also been provided.

In accepting the donation Mr. Benson Emile, Permanent Secretary, Department of Health and Wellness, said that the Government of Saint Lucia was extremely grateful to PAHO for the tremendous support extended, primarily in the form of clinical guidance and expertise as well as donation of medical equipment and supplies. He noted that PAHO's assistance to St. Lucia has certainly assisted in cushioning the financial burden posed by COVID-19.

Mr. Reynold Hewitt, PAHO Country Program Specialist for Saint Lucia, handed over the equipment to the Ministry of Health and Wellness.







