

The coronavirus matter wey don dey cause wahala everywhere first enter Naija on 27 February and e start for Lagos state. The tin cause many many fake news wey make NCDC and Federal Ministry of Health dem begin try calm pipo down, try make the sickness no spread. All of us need join hand make sure say we knack this virus correct apako so make we dey talk only news wey we don confam say na true; and make we dey do the ones wey go make the virus fear to near our domot.

The Coronavirus CivActs Campaign (CCC) dey gather different rumour and tori wey Naija pipo dey talk for different states make we help ordinary pipo understand wetin dey happen; so that beta information go dey flow well well for government, media, NGO and even the citizens dem. Once we talk the real gbege of wetin dey happen, all dem fake news go stop to dey spread before they cause more wahala for our country pipo. You know say no be all of us get the same language and no be everybody sabi this English well well so we need this CCC make everybody understand wetin dey happen so that we go finally throwway this bad sickness comot for our country.

Coronavirus na serious threat to Naija pipo -- wey be over 180 million – because the healthcare system weak, the pipo dey very poor, the living conditions no good and the Government too dey corrupt. Economic and insecurity conditions for Naija dey bad before this coronavirus kasala burst, and Naija dey already score fail for health parameters; pipo too dey die and life expectancy dey poor. When and if coronavirus enter communities wey get high population for Naija, kasala go burst.

E dey important make Naija handle this pandemic in a way wey dey progressive and transparent, to ensure the well-being of citizens, build resilience and prevent any social conflict wey fit happen sharp sharp. This na huge challenge for Naija, but na also opportunity to renovate public health systems, improve relationship between Naija pipo and those who dey in power, and improve governance.

Update on Treatment wey fit work for COVID-19 patient

Scientist and healthcare professionals dem don dey work make dem find treatment for COVID-19. As they bin don discover say to wear facemask and social distancing dey reduce the virus spreading; na so Nigerian Government come make am compulsory make everybody dey use these tactics dey careful this period.

As per treatment, na management wey NCDC dey advise for anybody wey don get the virus, like to dey manage any symptom wey the pesin get, manage any sickness wey dey the pesin body before, provide oxygen therapy if the pesin need am, treat any bacteria infection wey dey background and ensure sey the patient dey eat good food and drink water regularly.

Before, na chloroquine dem bin dey use treat coronavirus for many countries. But new studies don show say the drug no dey effective; one trial for Oxford University wey dem test 11,000 patients don confirm am say chloroquine no dey work for COVID-19.

FDA don collect back their approval for chloroquine and hydroxychloroquine on top the tests. WHO sef bin don suspend their trial on the drug but they still come resume test for the drug on June 3. The scientist journals too comot any writing wey dem talk say chloroquine dey treat coronavirus.

WHO recently approve make dem dey produce and use one drug wey dem dey call Dexamethasone because hin get potential to save patients wey COVID-19 don show pepper. Na one trial wey dem do for UK show say the drug fit reduce the number of pipo wey COVID-19 dey kill by one in three; and for one in five patients wey need oxygen. Dem also talk say the information still dey new, but hin dey enough make dem get confidence to use the drug. But remember say WHO talk say na only pipo wey COVID-19 don enter their body sote, wey doctors don dey monitor for bed wey suppose use this dexamethasone drug so.

E no get any evidence say this drug dey work for people with mild symptoms. Finally, Scientists for Nigerian Universities, wey dey under COVID-19 Research Group announce say dem don discover vaccine wey fit prevent the coronavirus pandemic. Dr Oladipo Kolawole, the doctor wey lead the team, talk say dem go release the vaccine to the public after 18 months, because dem still dey do some analysis and medical studies, and medical authorities never approve am.

Animals fit spread COVID-19?

CDC don talk sey pipo fit give animals this coronavirus sometimes, especially after the animal come close to the pesin wey get the virus. This information dey important to pipo wey dey keep animals as pet and those wey dey process meat and wey dey go animal food market.

Before, scientists believe say na bat bin first spread coronavirus give pipo for one wet market for Wuhan, China and na from there the tin take spread around the world. Dogs and Cats fit get the virus, but we never know if na all the animals wey fit get the virus.

Animals wey COVID-19 fit catch:

- Dem don report for United States of America and some other countries say some cats and dogs don get the virus after dem come in contact with pipo wey get am.
- Plenty lions and tigers don test positive for COVID-19 for one zoo wey dey New York, after dem show sign of breathing problem. Health Officials

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RUMOURS



People are meant to wear masks while exercising to prevent COVID-19

Thermal scanners can detect if a person has COVID-19 or not.

People are being paid to stay in isolation centres

Catching COVID-19 means you will have it for life

COVID-19 numbers are being inflated

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It is not advisable to wear masks while exercising as they may reduce the ability to breathe comfortably. Also sweat can make the mask become wet quickly making it difficult to breathe and promoting the growth of germs. The important preventive measure during exercise is to maintain physical distance of at least one meter from others.

The thermal scanner is designed to detect people who have a higher body temperature than normal; however, it cannot detect if a person is infected with COVID-19 as there are many causes of fever. It is advised to call a healthcare provider if suffering from a fever.

There is no evidence of healthy or sick people receiving payment to stay in isolation centres. Patients are given food, drinks and medicines as part of their treatment. Testing is voluntary and only patients who test positive are admitted into the centres for treatment.

Most of the people who catch COVID-19 can recover and eliminate the virus from their bodies. If you are showing symptoms of the illness - such as cough, fever and difficulty breathing - seek medical care early by calling a healthcare provider.

The NCDC posts updates of their tests and results daily online and the majority of tests conducted have turned out negative. COVID-19 numbers are dependent on the number of people willing to come forward for testing if they develop symptoms. Also, the chairman of the Presidential Task Force on COVID-19 has stated that 80 per cent of positive cases are not in isolation centres.

believe say na one zoo employee bin expose dem to the virus. All the lions and tiger don recover.

- Dem don discover COVID-19 infection for animals wey dem dey call Mink, for many farm wey dey Netherlands. The Mink bin show say dey get brething problems and belle problem na so plenty Mink die for the farm. E be like say na workers wey bin get the virus infect the animals.
- Research don show say ferrets, cats, and golden Syrian hamsters fit get COVID-19 and they fit give other animals way dey the same specie for lab.
- Studies don show sey Rhesus Macacques, African green monkeys, and common marmosets na other animals wey fit get the virus, when dem test them for laboratory.
- Data from one study yarn say dogs fit get the virus but fit no spread am to other dogs just like dat; dem no be like cats and ferrets wey fit spread am easy.

E never tey since Chinese provinces don increase how dem dey take inspect fresh meat, frozen meat, and sea food, after new outbreak of coronavirus infection start for one food market for Beijing wey dem dey call Xinfadi, wey be the largest for Asia. Dem begin all these inspection after dem see the virus for one chopping board dem dey use cut fish.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE FOR NAIJA AT AS TODAY - 11/07/2020

31,323

CONFIRMED CASES

709

DEATHS

12,795

RECOVERED

178,265

TESTED

Coronavirus CivActs Campaign na information wey we bring from Accountability Lab Nigeria.

