Media Update
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The total number of confirmed Covid-19 cases in the Department of Correctional Services (DCS) is standing at 719 with 246 officials and 473 inmates. Western Cape recorded nine additional cases of officials whilst Eastern Cape recorded one additional official.

The death of a 50-year old inmate in East London on 20 May 2020, was confirmed to be COVID-19 related with respiratory failure cited as a cause of death.

Recoveries remain standing at 143.

The total breakdown of Covid-19 cases at DCS is as follows:-

Eastern Cape - 489
Officials - 76
Inmates - 413
Recoveries - 72
Death cases - 3

Western Cape – 206
Officials – 155
Inmates – 51
Recoveries – 59
Death cases – 2

Limpopo - 2
Officials - 2
Inmates - 0
Recovery - 1

Gauteng - 16
Officials - 7
Inmates - 9
Recovery - 10

Northern Cape
Officials - 2

Free State
Officials - 1

KwaZulu-Natal
Officials - 2

Head Office
Officials – 1
Recovery - 1

Ends.

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