

DCS Media Update  
20 April 2020

The number of COVID-19 confirmed cases in Correctional Services has increased by eleven (11) officials, plus one (1) inmate, thus bringing the total number of cases to 111.

Positive cases in the Eastern Cape have stagnated as they remain the same with 31 officials and 56 inmates, Limpopo has two cases of officials and Head Office has one case of an official. All the new cases emanate from the Worcester Correctional Facility in the Western Cape.

Therefore, the total breakdown is as follows:-

Eastern Cape  
Officials - 31  
Inmates - 56 (stagnated)

Western Cape  
Officials - 20  
Inmates - 1

Limpopo  
Officials - 2  
Inmates - 0

Head Office  
Officials - 1

DCS remains committed to enforce measures to prevent the further spread of COVID-19 in all our Centres. We will continue drawing from the expertise of the Department of Health to provide necessary quality healthcare to those in need.

The wellbeing of officials and inmates and their health remain our priority. We will continue working with all stakeholders to implement our COVID-19 Disaster Management Response Strategy.

Ends.

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