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Dear Staff and Students

RE: CONFIRMED COVID-19 POSITIVE CASES

The Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST) would like to inform its campus community and the public that two staff members, one from Office of the Registrar (based in Poly Heights) and another from the Faculty of Health and Applied Sciences received positive test results for COVID-19 on 14th and 16th August 2020 respectively. The staff member from the Health and Applied Sciences had gone for testing on 9th August 2020.

The following actions have been taken:

- The office at Poly Heights is isolated, and all offices concerned will be disinfected thoroughly by the Facilities Department
- All close contacts of the staff members that tested positive were requested to self-isolate for seven (7) days and report any signs and symptoms of COVID-19.

Number of COVID-19 cases to date:

Cumulative confirmed cases	6
Newly confirmed cases	2

No staff/student is allowed to frequent public places whilst in self-isolation or awaiting test results, unless doing so for medical purposes. In addition, NUST will regard this self-isolation period as special leave with pay. Should a staff/student violate the condition of isolation, NUST reserve the right to institute disciplinary actions. This provision also applies to anyone reporting a false case of Covid-19.

Campus security is instructed to ensure that all persons entering the NUST campus premises must wear a facemask, sanitise their hands regularly, maintain a social distance of not less than two (2) metres and that their body temperature is tested. Furthermore, everyone who exhibits symptoms associated with the virus is reminded to immediately report to the Ministry of Health and Social Services' Toll-Free number **0800 100 100**.

The University will continuously keep stakeholders updated on any significant developments with respect to these alerts.

Sincerely yours,

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Acting Vice-Chancellor

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