



**07 August 2020**

**Dear staff and students**

**RE: TWO (2) PRESUMPTIVE CASES OF COVID-19**

The Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST), would like to inform its campus community and the public that it has two presumptive cases of COVID-19 involving a lecturer in the Department of Computer Science and the Department of Architecture and Spatial Planning.

**Case one (1)** shares a home with a family member who tested positive for COVID-19 on the 6<sup>th</sup> Aug 2020. The family members spouse, a medical doctor also tested positive earlier in the week.

**Case two (2)** came in contact with a sister who tested positive for COVID-19 on 6<sup>th</sup> Aug 2020. The sister took ill on Tuesday, 4 August 2020.

The respective lecturers are currently in self-isolation until they have been tested and confirmed negative. Once we receive the results, you will be informed accordingly.

As a cautionary measure aimed at ensuring the safety of all students and staff, the University has taken the following actions:

- Staff members from these departments will isolate the buildings on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020, to allow a full disinfection of surface areas.
- And will return to work on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

No Staff is allowed to frequent public places whilst in self-isolation 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 proceedings. This provision also applies to anyone reporting a false case of Covid-19.

Campus security is instructed to ensure that all persons entering campus premises must Campus security has also been instructed to ensure that all persons entering campus premises 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 one 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 this alert.

Sincerely yours,

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