COVID-19 MOVEMENT RESTRICTIONS
SUDAN MOBILITY RESTRICTION DASHBOARD #3 (4 MAY 2020)

Reported COVID-19 Cases in Sudan
Source: Government of Sudan, Federal Ministry of Health

678 61 41
Confirmed Recovered Deaths

Mobility Restrictions
COVID-19 has now spread to 14 of Sudan’s 18 states. Over 90 per cent of all confirmed cases are in Khartoum State. In response to the pandemic, the Government of Sudan (GoS) declared a nationwide health emergency and introduced mitigation measures in March 2020 to reduce the transmission of the virus. These measures include restrictions on travel due to closure of airports, points of entry (PoE) along land borders and maritime boundaries, as well as domestic movement restrictions.

All points of entry along land borders, as well as the Sawakin sea port, are closed for entry and exit. The Karb Eltoum unofficial border crossing point remains open.

Khartoum International Airport (KRT) is closed for entry and exit. On 20 April 2020, the Sudan Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) issued a decision to extend the closure of Sudanese airports for international and domestic flights until 20 May 2020. This excludes scheduled cargo flights; humanitarian aid and technical and humanitarian support flights; flights of companies operating in the oil fields; and evacuation flights for foreign nationals.

Domestic movement restrictions were enforced by the GoS on 31 March 2020 through a curfew effective between 6PM and 6AM in all states apart from Khartoum, where a three week lockdown has been effective since 18 April 2020. All bus travel between states has been banned as of 26 March 2020 with the exception of humanitarian, commercial and technical shipments. Bridges linking Omdurman, Khartoum and Khartoum North are closed.

IOM’s Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) has been monitoring the impact of the mitigation measures on internally displaced persons (IDPs), including any impediments to IDP camp access in Darfur. Of the 36 IDP camps DTM is currently monitoring in Darfur, no cases of COVID-19 amongst IDPs have been reported. Key informants reported a total of 207 IDP students studying in Khartoum who are currently stranded and unable to return home to IDP camps across North Darfur. An additional 50 IDP gold miners working in Northern State are also reportedly unable to return home to Shadad IDP Camp in North Darfur.

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