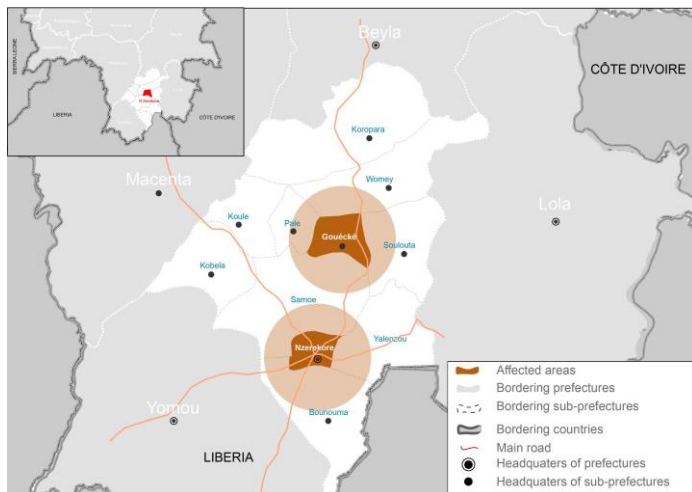


This situation report presents the latest updates on the situation regarding the resurgence of the Ebola virus Disease (EVD) recorded since February 2021 in Guinea. The document contains the latest epidemiological data, the actions taken by government authorities and the humanitarian community to fight the spread of the outbreak and provides recommendations on the way forward. Finally, the report describes the actions carried out by the International Organization for Migrations in response to this epidemic. It contains information updated on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

## AFFECTED AREAS



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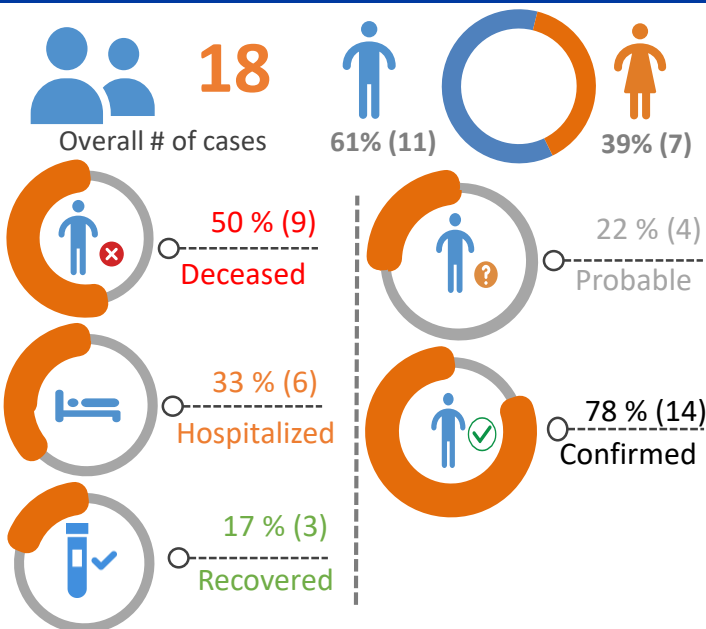
## CONTEXT

Since February 2021, Guinea has been facing the resurgence of the Ebola epidemic. For the first time since 2016, cases of haemorrhagic fever caused by the virus have been recorded in the prefecture of N'Zérékoré, located in the south-east of the country, leading to several deaths. The first victim, identified in the sub-prefecture of Gouécké, was a nurse who died at the end of January 2021. All the other cases are people who attended the funeral on February 1, 2021. On 14 February, the Guinean Ministry of Health (MoH) officially declared an outbreak of EVD.



Boma's Health Point of Control (PoC) in N'Zérékoré, towards Macenta prefecture © OIM 2021

## KEY FIGURES



## HIGHLIGHTS

### Epidemiological situation

- As of 7 March 2021, a total of 18 cases, including 14 confirmed and 4 probable cases, had been identified; 6 people are currently hospitalized at the Epidemic Treatment Centre (CT-Epi in French) in N'Zérékoré;
- Moreover, one new suspected case has been notified in N'Zérékoré; the EVD outbreak has led to 9 deaths, including 5 confirmed and 4 probable cases; 3 people recovered from the EVD.
- On 6 March 2021, 327 contacts were being followed up.

### EVD Response activities

- IOM launches a worldwide flash appeal of USD 8 million to support the EVD response in Guinea;
- Belt immunization activities against Ebola started;
- Inter-ministerial meeting held with the 6 countries bordering Guinea in Conakry on EVD preparedness and response activities;
- Strategic coordination meeting of the health sector's financial and technical partners held in Conakry on the EVD response activities.



## IOIM ROLE IN THE EBOLA RESPONSE



### Coordination

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- Participation in the inter-ministerial meeting with the 6 countries bordering Guinea in Conakry on EVD preparedness and response activities;
- Participation in 24 daily coordination meetings of the EVD response held at the national level and in the two affected regions (Conakry and N'Zérékoré);
- Deployment of an information management (IM) assistant and an Information and Technology (IT) assistant to support the functioning of the Public Health Emergency Operations Centre (PHEOC) of N'Zérékoré;
- Participation in the coordination meeting of partners in N'Zérékoré region.



### Case Management

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- Participation in facilitating the management of 9 cases of EVD, including 6 confirmed and 3 suspect cases at the CT-Epi of N'Zérékoré;
- Support for maintaining security of the CT-Epi of N'Zérékoré by 11 security agents ;
- Realization of 3 dignified and secured burials of 3 community deaths by the joint team of the Civil Protection and the Guinean Red Cross;
- Deployment of 3 agents to the CT-Epi of N'Zérékoré to secure it (Total to date = 11).



### Surveillance and contact tracing

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- Detection of a suspected EVD case at the health PoC in Zao;
- Interception of 2 cases of community deaths at the health PoC;
- Support for writing 6 SitRep on EVD in N'Zérékoré;
- Participation in writing a "Terms of reference" (ToR) for actively tracing EVD cases in health facilities in Conakry;
- Daily dissemination of the contact list to PoE for actively tracing mobile and migrant EVD contacts.



### Points of Entry

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- Installation of 4 additional Health Control Points (PoC) on the main exits of the urban municipality of N'Zérékoré;
- Elaboration of a new protocol validated at the inter-ministerial level for health control and follow-up of contacts at the borders;
- Start of the tracing of contacts mobility at the borders;
- Briefing of health control agents at Conakry airport on the government guidelines for following up the EVD contacts;
- Screening of 10,988 passengers, including 5,540 women, at the 9 health PoC set up at the main exits of Gouécké and N'Zérékoré centre.



### Communication

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- Support of the dissemination of awareness-raising messages on EVD in the local languages;
- Sensitization of 10,988 passengers, including 5,540 women, at the 9 Health PoC installed at the main exits of Gouécké and N'Zérékoré centre on the preventive measures against the EVD outbreak.



### Other response activities

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- Carrying out a mobility mapping of the main gathering places (market, bus station, Health facilities, traditional practitioners' places, schools, places of worship and entertainment) in Gouécké.

**N'Zérékoré on 3 March 2021:** installation of 4 Health Control Points (PoC) at the main exits of the urban municipality. To help break the chain of transmission of the EVD outbreak in the health district of N'Zérékoré, IOM has supported the installation of 4 health PoC at the main exits of the urban municipality. Health control agents (Civil protection agents, Community health workers and Healthcare agent) were deployed at each PoC and are responsible for systematically taking the temperature of all passengers, guiding them to wash their hands, raising their awareness on preventive measures against EVD and recording data of passengers leaving the urban municipality for possible follow-up.



Setting up one of the Health points of control (PoC) in N'Zérékoré © IOM 2021

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[IOM sets up Health points of control \(PoC\) in response to the new EVD outbreak in Guinea](#)

[Document of the IOM's Flash Appeal to raise funds for supporting the EVD response activities in Guinea](#)