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Attention: All News Editors

200 COVID-19 recoveries and counting

KINGSTON, Jamaica. Saturday, May 23, 2020: Jamaica's COVID-19 recoveries hit the 200 mark in the last 24 hours, as nine more Jamaicans were released from care. The island now has a 36 per cent recovery rate.

Also in the last 24 hours, the island recorded another six confirmed cases of COVID-19, bringing the total number of confirmed cases to 550.

Five (5) of the six (6) new cases are from among the repatriated Jamaicans – one (1) arriving from the United Kingdom on May 6 and four (4) via cruise ship at the Falmouth Pier on May 19.

There are four males and one female, ranging in age from 26 to 53 years, who comprise these five (5) new imported cases. Two (2) of the five are from Kingston and St. Andrew; two (2) are from St. Catherine; and one (1) from St. Ann.

The sixth case is under investigation from Kingston & St. Andrew.

Jamaica now has: 62 imported cases; 211 contacts of confirmed cases; 26 local transmission cases not epidemiologically linked; 234 linked to a workplace cluster; and 17 under investigation.

Some 326 or 59% of the confirmed cases are females and 224 or 41% are males. They continue to range in age from 2 months to 87 years.

The island's total testing numbers are now 9,923. Of that 9,923, in addition to the 550 positives, there are 9,341 negatives and 32 pending.

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Clinical Management Summary as at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 23, 2020

Total Samples Tested	9,923
New samples tested in the last 24 hours	369
Discharge samples tested in the last 24 hours	45
Results Positive	550
Results Negative	9,341
Results Pending	32
Deceased	9
Recovered	200
Number in Facility Quarantine	593
Number Hospitalised <i>(Including suspected positive COVID-19 cases)</i>	26
Persons Moderately Ill	1
Persons Critically Ill	1
Persons in Facility Isolation	218
Persons in Home Isolation	130
Persons in Transitional Facilities	10

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