



THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

MINISTRY OF HEALTH

TRAVEL ADVISORY NO 16 OF 11TH MARCH 2025 REGARDING THE OUTBREAK OF MPOX

Mpox is a viral illness caused by Monkeypox virus and was declared by WHO as a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC) in August 2024. On 10th March 2025, the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania (URT) declared the outbreak of Mpox. Following this outbreak, the Government of the URT has decided to implement and enhance public health measures to prevent further spread locally and internationally in line with the International Health Regulation of 2005. The URT hereby issues Travel Advisory No. 16 of 11th March 2025 with immediate effect to implement effective measures related to local and international travel as follows:

1. All travellers and staff at points of entry should adhere to Infection Prevention and Control measures such as hand hygiene, keeping physical distancing and report any sign or symptom using the toll-free number 199, Port Health Office or nearby health facility
2. At any point of entry (airport, ground crossing or port), body temperature and physical observation will be checked to all travellers and those with feverish and rushes conditions will be further evaluated by Port Health Authority.
3. All travellers will be provided with health information and a toll-free number 199 at points of entry and advised to self-monitor and report any signs and symptoms of Mpox. Those with signs and symptoms will be tested and treated at designated Government health facilities.
4. All persons in contact with a case will be followed up and advised to self monitor their health and report to nearest health facility or call toll free number 199 in case of any signs and symptoms of Mpox
5. All conveyance operators should adhere to exit and screening measures implemented at points of entry in the country that include health screening, conveyance hygiene inspection, hand hygiene, use of alcohol-based sanitizers and reporting immediately of any traveller with any signs and symptoms to port health authority.

NB: The Travel Advisory will be reviewed from time to time as the need arises


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