

S1 Table. Level of Government Restrictions on the spread of COVID

Phase Code	Time period	Phase/level of restrictions in place	National restrictions	Hospital level restrictions	COVID-19 in Africa
1	01 st Jan 2020 - 17 th Mar 2020	Pre-lockdown period, international outbreak—No restrictions but warnings to the public	Nil	Nil	<p>14th February: First case in Africa (Egypt)</p> <p>28th February: First case in sub-Saharan Africa (Nigeria)</p> <p>13th March: First case in East Africa (Kenya)</p>
2	18 th Mar 2020 - 25 th May 2020	Partial Lockdown and Complete/Total lock down and	<p>18th March: 32 days suspension of mass gatherings. Mandatory quarantine on arrival in country (14 days)</p> <p>20th March: Schools closed for 30 days</p> <p>21st March: Borders closed except for cargo and goods</p> <p>25th March: <u>Public transport suspended for 14 days and restrictions placed on private vehicle movements.</u></p> <p>30th March: Nationwide curfew announced: 7pm to 6:30am for 14 days</p>	23rd March to 21 st April, 2020 Complete closure of all antenatal, sexual health and vaccination services	21 st March 2020: Uganda reports first case

			<p>10th April: Mandatory testing of truck drivers</p> <p>12th April: Lockdown and curfew extended for further 21 days</p> <p>4th May: Lockdown and curfew extended. Face masks in public declared mandatory.</p> <p>18th May: Lockdown extended</p>		<p>6th May: Uganda reaches 100 confirmed cases of COVID-19</p> <p>18th May: Uganda reaches 200 confirmed cases of COVID-19</p>
3	26 th May 2020 - 06 th Jun 2021	Post lock-down period with minimal restrictions on movement	<p>26th May 2020: Easing of restrictions: private cars with 3 people and general merchandise shops allowed with strict social distancing</p> <p>4th June 2020: Public transport in non-border districts resumes at half capacity</p>		<p>09th June : Over 1000 confirmed COVID-19 cases</p> <p>23rd July 2020 Uganda reports 1st death from COVID-19</p>
4	07 th Jun 2021 - 31 st Jul, 2021	Second Lock down, less restrictive compared to the 1 st lockdown	<p>June 7th 2021: School closures, suspension of inter-district travel, markets closed, suspension of church services, restrictions on public transport</p>		
5	01 st Aug 2021 – 30 th Oct 2021	Post lock-down, limited restrictions	<p>July 31st 2021 Public transport resumes with half occupancy. Private vehicles allowed 3 occupants.</p> <p>September 22nd 2021 Social venues, church services can re-open. Bars remain closed Curfew of 7pm maintained.</p>		