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**PRESS RELEASE**

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*Kingstown, St. Vincent and the Grenadines*

**THIRTY-NINE (39) NEW CASES**

Thirty-nine (39) new COVID-19 positive cases were reported from two hundred and fifty-four (254) samples collected on Friday December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021, resulting in a positivity of 15.4%. Nineteen (19) new rapid antigen positive results were reported from flu clinics on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

**HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS**

There are currently no patients admitted for COVID-19 at the Argyle Isolation Facility. Ten (10) patients are admitted to the COVID-19 ward at the Milton Cato Memorial Hospital, two (2) of whom are vaccinated, eight (8) patients are unvaccinated.

**COVID-19 DEATHS**

No new deaths were recorded over the reporting period.

**COVID-19 SUMMARY**

Twenty-one (21) recoveries were noted over the reporting period. Five hundred and eighty-two (582) cases are currently active and eighty-three (83) persons with COVID-19 have died. Five thousand nine hundred and ninety-one (5991) cases of COVID-19 and five thousand and three hundred and twenty-six (5326) recoveries have been recorded in St. Vincent and the Grenadines since March 2020.

In view of the confirmed presence of the Delta, Mu and Gamma variants in the community and the significant increase in the number of new infections, transmission, severe COVID-19 disease and deaths, strict enforcement and compliance with all protocols and recommendations by everyone is strongly recommended. The correct and consistent use of masks, avoidance of crowds, physical distancing, proper hand sanitizing and immunization with available vaccines have all been proven to significantly reduce the risk of being infected, getting sick and or dying from the COVID-19 virus.

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