

*Statutory Instrument No. 59 of 2020*

**CONSTITUTION OF BOTSWANA**

**State of Public Emergency**

PROCLAMATION  
BY  
HIS EXCELLENCY

DR. MOKGWEETSI ERIC KEABETSWE MASISI MP, PRESIDENT OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA

WHEREAS it is provided by section 17 (1) of the Constitution that the President may at any time declare that a state of public emergency exists;

AND WHEREAS on 11th March, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak as a “global pandemic”;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to declare a state of public emergency for the purpose of taking the necessary measures to address the risks posed by COVID-19;

NOW THEREFORE in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 17 (1) of the Constitution, I, DR. MOKGWEETSI ERIC KEABETSWE MASISI, President of the Republic of Botswana, hereby proclaim and declare a state of public emergency with effect from midnight of 2nd April, 2020.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal at Gaborone this 31st day of March, 2020.

PULA!

DR. MOKGWEETSI ERIC KEABETSWE MASISI,  
*President.*



ADVOCATE ABRAHAM M. KEETSHABE,  
*Custodian of the Public Seal.*

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*Statutory Instrument No. 60 of 2020*

**PUBLIC HEALTH ACT**  
(Cap. 63:01)

**PUBLIC HEALTH (REVOCATION OF THE DECLARATION OF  
A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY) ORDER, 2020**  
(Published on 31st March, 2020)

ARRANGEMENT OF PARAGRAPHS

PARAGRAPH

1. Citation
2. Revocation of S.I. No. 39 of 2020

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred on the Director of Health Services by section 23 of the Public Health Act, the following Order is hereby made —

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| Citation                          | <b>1.</b> This Order may be cited as the Public Health (Revocation of the Declaration of a Public Health Emergency) Order, 2020. |
| Revocation of S.I. No. 39 of 2020 | <b>2.</b> The Declaration of a Public Health Emergency Order, 2020 is hereby revoked with effect from midnight 2nd April, 2020.  |

MADE this 31st day of March, 2020.

**M. TSHIPAYAGAE,**  
*Director of Health Services.*