

Venezuela reports total cases surpass 10,000



Caracas, July 15 (RHC)-- Venezuelan officials say new coronavirus cases have surpassed 10,000 nationwide, with an alarming number of recent illnesses found in the capital of Caracas.

President Nicolás Maduro on Tuesday ordered strict enforcement of quarantine measures in Caracas where most of the 303 new daily cases were diagnosed. Venezuela has been in a nationwide quarantine for 121 days starting shortly after the first cases were diagnosed in mid-March. Officials report fewer than 100 deaths.

The South American nation has not been overrun by the virus like neighbouring Brazil and Ecuador, which experts attribute to the Venezuela's isolation after years of economic and social crisis.

Maduro does not consider Caracas a focal point, but he says the recent surge in the capital and neighbouring state of Miranda has "set off an alarm."

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