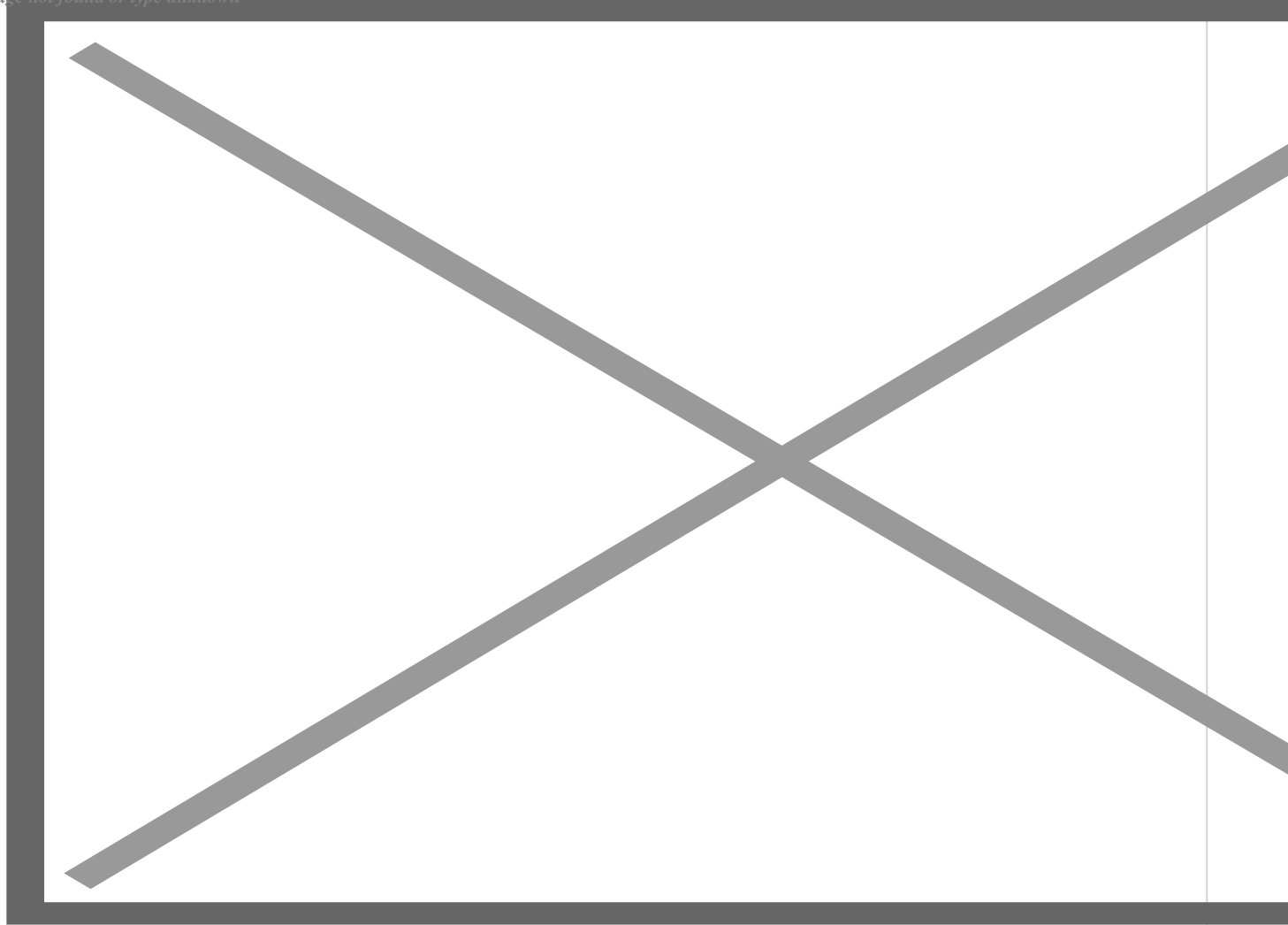


# *African COVID-19 deaths surged by 80% in last month as Delta variant spread*

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**WHO has warned that the fast-spreading Delta coronavirus variant has led to an 80% increase in COVID-19 deaths across the African continent**

Geneva, August 7 (RHC)-- The World Health Organization has warned that the fast-spreading Delta coronavirus variant has led to an 80% increase in COVID-19 deaths across the African continent over the last month.

Dr. Phionah Atuhebwe, with UN health agency told reporters in Geneva: "The third wave of the COVID-19 pandemic in Africa is still raging at full force. After a slight dip in cases last week, COVID-19 cases are surging again, rising by 19% to nearly over 278,000 this last week."

Globally, COVID-19 cases are continuing to rise, with an average of over 600,000 confirmed cases per day.

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