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Out damn spot! 1/12



The President of South Africa appeared on national TV to tell some lies in support of perpetuating destructive Covid malarkey. Out came the old chestnut that data support the effectiveness of past measures. Where is this magic data? 2/12

https://t.co/WzW1jmgaNG

Similarly, that masks we are supposedly not wearing (though no data supports that allegation) have this magical property of preventing infection, again based on “data” that we are not privy to. Maskology. 3/12
https://t.co/J0vmyGogVX

He took the borked theory of asymptomatic transmission to a new level with the phrase “asymptomatic super-spreader events”. 4/12
https://t.co/WrQBiQ9HPN

The dodginess of the asymptomatic transmission theory is now common currency, for all with open eyes. 5/12
https://t.co/kwWYtEblfP

> Remember that the reason you\u2019re wearing a diaper on yourself face and locked up at hone is because of fear of asymptomatic spread. Turns out - that\u2019s not a thing and we\u2019ve known that since January. pic.twitter.com/ebawhmG0z3
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> — Justin Hart (@justin_hart) December 26, 2020

He cited every +ve PCR test as an instance of someone who’d contracted COVID-19, which is not even claimed by test manufacturers, & implying he still does not understand the basic difference between the virus, SARS CoV-2, & the disease, COVID-19. 6/12
https://t.co/3SjPqUmRZ9

> PCR tests don't diagnose Covid, which is a disease. They detect SARS-CoV-2, with varying reliability. It is incorrect to describe a +ve test as a "case" in the absence of a clear clinical picture of Covid, the disease. Governments reporting cases on tests alone are misinforming.
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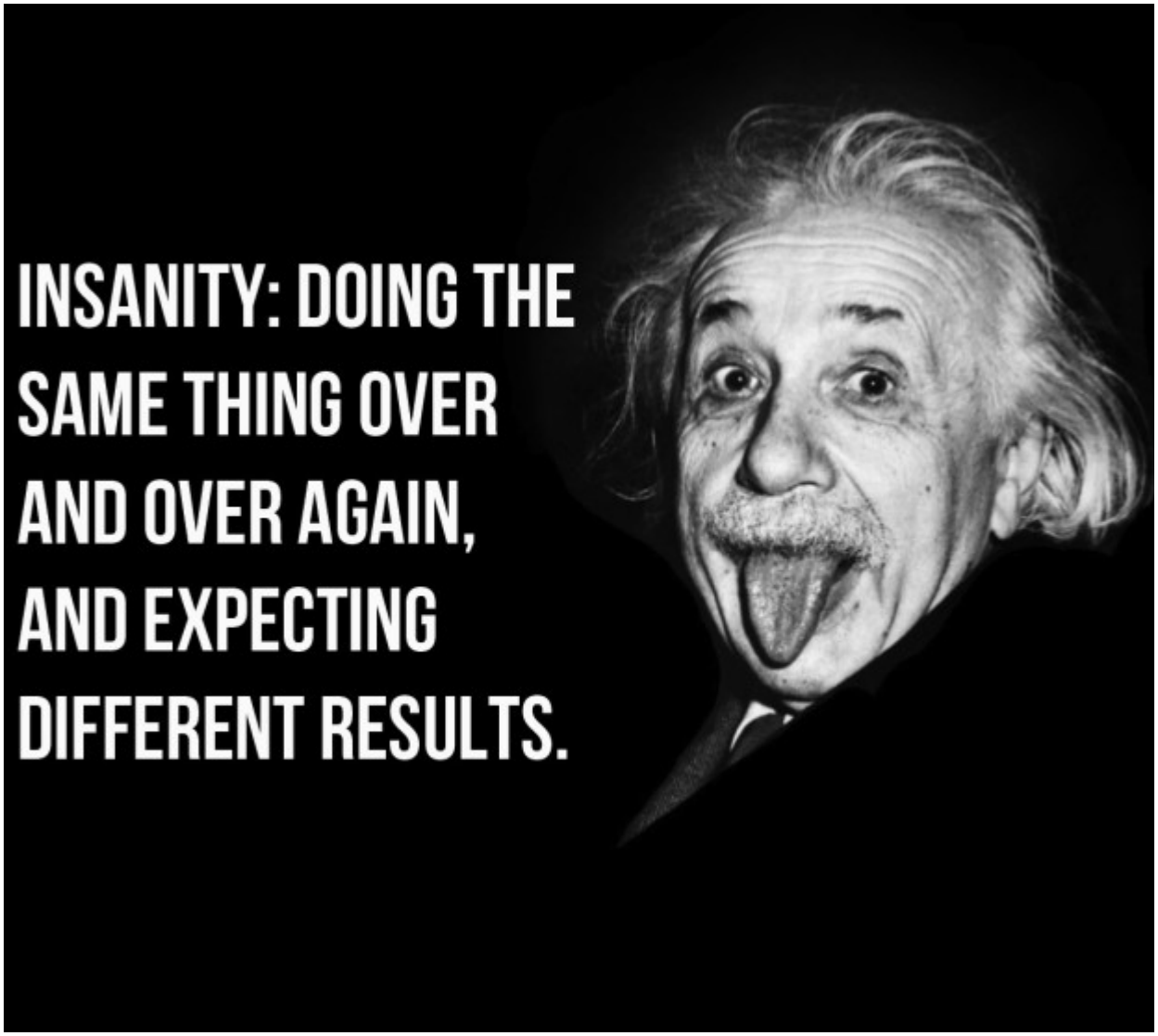
> — Nick Hudson \U0001f642 (@NickHudsonCT) December 19, 2020

This follows hot on the heels of his Minister of Health saying the new variant meant young people were at equal risk, implying a 1,000-fold increase in fatality. He had to walk back his claim, based on “anecdotes”, less than 48 hours later. 7/12
https://t.co/G8fCxgzA5b

This is the same Minister of Health who speaks of people testing +ve for COVID-19 & who has formulated regulations referring to the rt-PCR test as a COVID-19 test, again failing to grasp the difference between the virus & the disease. 8/12
https://t.co/bhFGE41I8v

These are the same regulations that were implemented as part of "21 days to flatten the curve" some 277 days ago and had no flattening effect whatsoever. 9/12



9 months into the crisis, Government still hasn't produced a lockdown impact assessment. Why? The tyrannical regulations bear a cost in lives massively exceeding lives lost to COVID-19 via millions of lost jobs, health interventions & educations. 10/12
https://t.co/AtCl8q6cFG

The President's lockdown is the greatest threat to SA lives. Not for billionaires & politicians who get paid through the crisis, but for the poor whose jobs are cut, who lack medical aid & whose kids don't have Zoom. 11/12

Ordinary people with an ounce of spine see through the absurdity of shutting down the whole country to protect a wealthy vulnerable minority. Be one of them. 12/12
https://t.co/7JYxsJbwba

> Are more people waking up? pic.twitter.com/pbwBck8tPc
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> — \U0001f334 Josh Lekach \U0001f334 (@JoshLekach) December 27, 2020