

A new virus-like hairstyle is trending in Kenya. Check it out.

Covid-19 has led to the revival of this hairstyle in Kenya. It is being dubbed the 'Corona virus hairstyle' as it resembles models of the COVID Virus!



In this Sunday, May 3, 2020 file photo, Gettrueth Ambio, 12, has her hair styled in the shape of the new coronavirus, at the Mama Brayo Beauty Salon in the Kibera slum, or informal settlement, of Nairobi, Kenya. (AP Photo/Brian Inganga, File)

This hairstyle has antennae like braids that move across the head. One reason that this is back in style is because it is less costly. The lockdown has stopped daily work activities causing economic hardship amongst many. Thus people are choosing this relatively cheaper hairstyle that costs only 50 cents as compared to other hairstyles that cost 3-5 USD. This hairstyle went out of style in recent years because the market was flooded with real and synthetic long hair from India and China.

Many people believe that this hairstyle has also been revived to raise awareness and remind people to distance, wear masks and wash their hands.

A 24-year-old hairdresser, Sharon Refa, works in a poor neighbourhood in Nairobi and told [The Associated Press](#) that a lot of young girls are coming to her to get the spikey “coronavirus hairstyle.”

Refa thinks the hairstyle can be one way to get adults who don’t believe in the virus to take coronavirus guidelines more seriously. “So many adults do not do this, and that is why we came up with the corona hairstyle,” Refa added.



In this Sunday, May 3, 2020 file photo, Margaret Andeya takes her daughter Gettrueth Ambio, 12, right, and her neighbor’s daughter Jane Mbone, 7, left, back home after having their hair styled in the shape of the new coronavirus. (AP Photo)

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