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### **Bangladesh: Update on nipah virus infection**

A report from the Institute of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Research revealed that there were 24 Nipah cases were identified among them 21 died with mortality rate of 88%. These cases are from 14 districts (Gaibandha, Natore, Rajshahi, Naogaon, Rajbari, Pabna, Jhenaidah, Mymensingh, Nilphamari, Chittagong, Kurigram, Kustia, Magura, Manikganj). Age distribution of cases are 8 months to 60 years among them 15 are male and 9 are female.  
[http://www.iedcr.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=106](http://www.iedcr.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=106)

### **Bangladesh: First human bird flu death**

Bangladesh on Sunday confirmed its first bird flu-related death in five years after the H5N1 human infection was detected in the country. The government's disease monitoring arm, Institute of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Research (IEDCR) disclosed the death after it could 'reconfirm' the victim's sample as testing 'positive' at the US Centre for Disease Control and Prevention.  
<http://bdnews24.com/health/2013/04/07/first-bird-flu-death-in-5-years>

### **Cambodia: Cambodia reports 10th bird flu case this year**

The tenth case was a six-year-old boy from Boeung Tapream Village, Sangkat Treuy Koh, Kampong Bay District, Kampot Province. He was confirmed positive for influenza H5N1 on 2 April 2013 by the Pasteur Institute du Cambodia.  
[http://www.cdcmoh.gov.kh/PressRelease/31st\\_press\\_release\\_H5N1\\_Eng.pdf](http://www.cdcmoh.gov.kh/PressRelease/31st_press_release_H5N1_Eng.pdf)

### **China: 24 confirmed human cases (7 deaths) due to H7N9 bird flu**

To date China reported 24 confirmed human cases due to H7N9 with 7 deaths with 11 (5 deaths) from Shanghai, 8 from Jiangsu, 3 (2deaths) from Zhejiang and 2 from Anhui Province.  
[http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2013-04/08/c\\_132293023.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/china/2013-04/08/c_132293023.htm)

### **China: H7N9 detected in poultry**

Samples from pigeon, chicken and environment collected at Huhuai agricultural products wholesale market, Songjiang, Shanghai were tested positive for H7N9.  
[http://www.oie.int/wahis\\_2/public/wahid.php/Reviewreport/Review?reportid=13225](http://www.oie.int/wahis_2/public/wahid.php/Reviewreport/Review?reportid=13225)  
Samples collected from Jingchuan market and Fengzhuang market, Minhang, Shanghai were also tested positive for H7N9.  
[http://www.oie.int/wahis\\_2/public/wahid.php/Reviewreport/Review?reportid=13238](http://www.oie.int/wahis_2/public/wahid.php/Reviewreport/Review?reportid=13238)

### **India: JE and other**

Report from the Directorate of National Vector Borne Disease Control Program revealed that since January 2013 there were 7 cases of JE reported from West Bengal and 215 cases of acute encephalitis syndrome (AES) with 48 deaths.

<http://nvbdcp.gov.in/Doc/je-aes-cd-till-19March13.pdf>

### **Indonesia: Bird flu in Bengkulu**

Ten chickens died suddenly in Sukarami, District wide, Bengkulu, in the past week. Department of Animal Health of Bengkulu was tested and declared the chickens tested positive for bird flu. Then, officers destroy poultry animals by burning. chickens belonged to a villager named Ashari. He claimed the animals died suddenly after giving three chickens menrima relatives in Rejang Lebong district.

<http://m.metrotvnews.com/read/newsvideo/2013/04/06/174836/Sepuluh-Ayam-Mati-di-Bengkulu-Positif-Flu-Burung>

### **Nepal: Bird flu in Chitwan**

After weeks of dithering, bird flu has been finally confirmed at a Gauriganj poultry farm in Bharatpur, Chitwan. It was owned by Pratap Thapa. According to Dr Bodhraj Adhikari of the National Bird Disease Research Laboratory, a rapid response team yesterday night culled over 2,000 fowls following the confirmation of H5N1 virus and more than 100 crates of eggs and hundreds of kilograms of chicken feed were destroyed.

<http://thehimalayantimes.com/fullNews.php?headline=Bird+flu+in+Chitwan%26sbquo%3B+over+2%26sbquo%3B000+fowls+culled+&NewsID=371591>

### **Philippines: Four deaths from rabies**

Health officials here expressed concern anew over the proliferation of stray dogs after the deaths of four persons from rabies just in the first quarter of the year. Dr. Dovia Tabugo, head of North Cotabato's Integrated Provincial Health Office, on Friday said the four victims of rabies had been bitten by infected dogs. She could not say when the deaths occurred exactly, however.

<http://newsinfo.inquirer.net/386231/rabies-deaths-reviving-worry-over-stray-dogs>

### **Sri Lanka: Zoonotic disease situation**

Sri Lankan Ministry of Health reported in its weekly epidemiological report 74 cases of encephalitis, 237 cases of leptospirosis and 2 rabid cases since January 2013.

[http://www.epid.gov.lk/web/images/pdf/wer/2013/vol\\_40\\_no\\_06\\_english.pdf](http://www.epid.gov.lk/web/images/pdf/wer/2013/vol_40_no_06_english.pdf)