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China: 2 new rabies case confirmed in Taiwan

As of this week, a total of 377 rabies outbreaks involving 380 ferret-badgers, one Asian house shrew and a puppy bitten by a ferret-badger have tested positive for rabies infection, were reported by the Central Epidemic Command Centre reported on 4 June 2014, adding that the number of cities and counties that have confirmed cases of rabid animals remained unchanged at nine. [read more](#)

China: 1 new PPR outbreak in Shanxi

A new outbreak of PPR was reported from a sheep/goat farm in Gujiao, Taiyuan, Shanxi to OIE on 3 June 2014 with a total of 186 animals died and 455 others destroyed. Since December 2013, there were a total of 240 outbreaks of PPR reported from 21 provinces with a total of 14,325 animals died and 55,310 destroyed. [read more](#)

India: Rabies in Pune, Maharashtra

Even dog lovers cannot ignore the stray dog menace in the city. Despite, Pune Municipal Corporation's (PMC) efforts, 14 deaths due to Rabies caused by stray bites have been recorded so far this year. Although, there have been 4,154 cases of dog bite cases so far in the city, it has reduced in comparison to 6,905 in the year 2012 and 7,572 till June 2013. "PMC is running various programmes along with NGOs to curb stray dog menace," said Anjali Sabne, Deputy Health Officer of the Pune Municipal Corporation. [read more](#)

India: One died of anthrax in Puducherry

The Department of Animal Husbandry has intensified anti-anthrax immunisation measures at Thiriyalam and other villages in the Jolarpet block after a person died in the Christian Medical College Hospital here on Wednesday, a week after admission for grave sickness brought on by the consumption of the meat of a sick goat slaughtered by its owner. While the hospital diagnosed his disease as human anthrax, the Department did not find evidence of the goat or any other animal in the area having been infected with anthrax, said T. Manoharan, Regional Deputy Director of Animal Husbandry. [read more](#)

India: Mysterious disease kills 20 children in Bihar

A mystery disease has broken out in Bihar, claiming the lives of 20 children in one week. All the deaths were reported from Muzaffarpur and the neighbouring districts of the state. The disease, which some claim to be encephalitis, Japanese Encephalitis or Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (AES), has claimed over 1,000 lives of children in the past 15 years in Bihar, but none has been able to find out its real reason despite several studies. The disease strikes generally the northern parts of the state every year once the mercury soars but ends the

moment rains starts. The symptoms of the disease include high fever, irritation and swelling of brains. [read more](#)

Indonesia: Suspected bird flu in Timika, Papua

The deaths of 1900 chickens was due to Bird Flu or H5N1 virus. The Mimika DVO issued a warning to farmers and the public to be vigilant. As a response, DVO Mimika called for a meeting with chicken breeders sectors 2 and 3 as well as Chicken Breeders Association. A meeting was held on Thursday (5 June) chaired by the Head of Department of Animal Husbandry, with Head of Animal Health, and Breeders Association. Head of Department of livestock, Ir Ign Eddy Santoso, MSi said that in the last week there had been bird flu happened to chickens. He said the chickens on the farm, 1900 commercial died suddenly in the Kampung Jaya Wonosari (SP4). [read more](#)

Indonesia: Suspected bird flu in Bojonegoro, East Java

A case of sudden death of poultry allegedly hit by bird flu turns out to be found in Bojonegoro. As of May 2014, thousands of farm animals in Bojonegoro die stricken with bird flu virus. It was a lot of Avian influenza Virus attacking mainly chickens and ducks. There are three farms which were declared positive of developing bird flu is in the hamlet of Bumirejo Village, subdistrict of Jombang Kepohbaru belonging to Mundir. Of 6,500 laying hens which consists of 4,500 adult chickens and 2,000 chicks suspected of bird flu because as many as 5,500 laying hens (3,511 adult chickens, 2000 chicks) died. Finally leaving only 1,000 adult chickens alive. [read more](#)

Philippines: Rabies in Zamboanga City, Mindanao

The Regional Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory of the Department of Agriculture (DA) has recorded nine confirmed cases of rabies from January to May this year in Zamboanga City. DA Regional Rabies Coordinator Dr. Frans Que said the confirmed cases of rabies came from eight villages: Upper Calarian, Sta. Maria, Cawit, Canelar, Talisayan, Tetuan, Tumaga, and Guiwan, which has two cases. [read more](#)

Philippines: Leptospirosis reported in many cities

Negros Occidental, including Bacolod City, had the most number of leptospirosis cases in Western Visayas with three deaths recorded, an official of the Department of Health in Region 6, said yesterday. Marie Jocelyn Te, head of the non-communicable disease division of DOH, said Negros Occidental and Bacolod City had 32 cases of leptospirosis from January 1 to May 24, this year. Te said Iloilo province has the second most number of cases with 21, with one fatality, while Iloilo City, Guimaras, Capiz and Aklan, has 6, 5, 3 and 2 cases, respectively, with no deaths recorded. [read more](#)

Viet Nam: More on rabies in human

With the onset of hot weather, the country faces a high risk of rabies though this year the number of fatalities has come down by almost half to 22, according to the Preventive Medicine Department. Of the deaths this year, 19 occurred in northern Viet Nam, with the others concentrated in the central region. Last year, 99 of the 261,000 people who were bitten died. [read more](#)