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### **Bangladesh: Two die of Nipah virus in Naogaon**

Two people died of Nipah virus at Manda upazila in Naogaon last week, said the Institute of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Research today. “The two got infected with Nipah virus after consuming raw date juice. We are following up those who went in contact with the deceased,” said Prof Dr Mahmudur Rahman, director at the IEDCR. A medical team from the IEDCR will travel to Manda tomorrow to monitor the situation, he said. [read more](#)

### **China: Reported 83 H7N9 human cases since 20 December 2014**

The National Health and Family Planning Commission (NHFPC) of China notified WHO of 83 additional laboratory-confirmed cases of human infection with avian influenza A(H7N9) virus. Onset dates ranged from 20 December 2014 to 27 January 2015. Cases ranged in age from 1 to 88 years with a median age of 56 years. Of the 83 cases, there were 19 deaths reported, ranged in age from 7 to 78 years with a mean age of 50 years. 60 of these 83 cases were male. The majority (78 cases, 93%) reported exposure to live poultry or live poultry markets; the exposure history of 4 cases is unknown. Three family clusters were reported, each comprised of 2 cases; all had exposure to live poultry or live poultry markets. Cases were reported from 8 provinces: Fujian (30), Guangdong (30), Jiangsu (7), Jiangxi (1), Shandong (1), Shanghai (2), Xinjiang (1), and Zhejiang (11). [read more](#)

### **China: Confirmed 11 H7N9 human cases**

There were a total of 11 confirmed H7N9 human were reported from:

- Guangdong
  - A 77-years-old man currently living Luohu District, Shenzhen is currently in Shenzhen hospitals admitted in hospital. [read more](#)
  - A 51-years-old man living in Luohu District, Shenzhen is currently in Shenzhen hospitals for treatment. [read more](#)
  - A 48-years-old man now living in Tianhe District, Guangzhou City is currently in critical condition and treated in hospitals in Guangzhou;
  - A 76 years old man living in Zhuhai City, the Bay Area is currently in critical condition, and admitted to inpatient hospitals.
  - A 62 years old woman residing in Huizhou City was confirmed on February 5 and died a day later;
  - A 55 years old man residing in Chaozhou Chaois currently in critical condition and admitted to inpatient hospitals; and
  - A 2 years old girl living Guzhen Town, Zhongshan City is currently in a stable condition and admitted to inpatient hospitals. [read more](#)
  - A 56 years old man residing in Jiangmen, Kaiping City is currently in critical condition and admitted to inpatient hospitals. [read more](#)

- A 52 years old man living in Futian District, Shenzhen is currently in stable condition and admitted in hospital; and
- A 73 years old man residing in Zhongshan Torch Development Zone is currently in critical condition and admitted to inpatient hospitals. [read more](#)
- A 33 years old man living Shantou area is currently in critical condition and admitted to inpatient hospitals. [read more](#)

### **China: Reported a H5N6 human case in Yunnan**

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health (DH) has been notified by the National Health and Family Planning Commission of a confirmed human case of avian influenza A(H5N6) today (February 9) affecting a 44-year-old man in Yunnan province. The patient with poultry exposure history has developed fever, coughs and chills since January 27. He was admitted to a local hospital on the same day and died on February 6. [read more](#)

### **China: Confirmed an additional outbreak of H5N6 in poultry in Hunan**

The China Animal Disease Control Centre, Veterinary Bureau reported an outbreak of H5N6 in a poultry farm in Xinhua, Loudi, Hunan to OIE on 5 february 2015 with a total of 7,476 birds died and destroyed. [read more](#)

### **China: H5 bird flu confirmed in black-faced spoonbill**

A dead black-faced spoonbill that was discovered in the Tingshan wetlands of Tainan City's Chiku Township on January 25 was positively diagnosed with a sub strain of H5 bird flu on Sunday, according to the Council of Agriculture (COA) yesterday. The COA's Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine (BAPHIQ) chief Chang Shu-hsian stated that the infected bird was discovered and inspected by the Black-faced Spoonbill Conservation Association (BFSA), which manages the protection of the endangered bird species. [read more](#)

### **China: Confirmed 108 additional H5N2 outbreaks in poultry in Taiwan**

The Agriculture Technology Research Institute, Council of Agriculture, Hsinchu City, Taipei reported another 108 HPAI H5N2 outbreaks to OIE on 4 February 2015. Abnormal mortalities were observed in 105 poultry farms and 3 abattoirs in Hsinchu City, Taichung City, Changhua County, Nantou County, Yunlin County, Chiayi County, Tainan City, Kaohsiung City and Pingtung County. Samples were sent to the National Laboratory (AHRI) for diagnosis. H5N2 subtype HPAI was confirmed by AHRI. These farms have been put under movement restrictions. All animals on the infected farms will be culled. The actual numbers of culled animals will be available when stamping out operation is finished and be reported in the next follow-up report. Thorough cleaning and disinfection will be conducted after stamping out operation. Surrounding poultry farms within 3 km radius of infected farms are under intensified surveillance for 3 months. [read more](#)

### **China: Confirmed 51 additional H5N8 outbreaks in Taiwan**

The Agriculture Technology Research Institute, Council of Agriculture, Hsinchu City, Taipei reported 51 HPAI H5N8 outbreaks to OIE on 4 February 2015. Abnormal mortalities were observed in 51 poultry farms in Changhua County, Yunlin County, Chiayi County, Tainan City and Kaohsiung City. Samples were sent to the National Laboratory (Animal Health Research Institute [AHRI]) for diagnosis. H5N8 subtype HPAI was confirmed by AHRI.

Among 51 farms, H5N2 subtype HPAI virus was also detected on 12 farms. These farms have been put under movement restrictions. All animals on the infected farms will be culled. The actual numbers of culled animals will be available when stamping out operation is finished and be reported in the next follow-up report. Thorough cleaning and disinfection will be conducted after stamping out operation. Surrounding poultry farms within 3 km radius of infected farms are under intensified surveillance for 3 months. [read more](#)

### **India: Tribal in Koraput Acquires Anthrax After Eating Dead Goat**

A medical team from District Headquarters Hospital on Saturday reached Patenda village under Lamataput block to examine 42 villagers, who are suspected to be affected by anthrax. At least 43 tribals of the village had consumed meat of two dead goats a few days back and spores of anthrax were found in one of them. He was admitted to the health centre in Lamataput village where his condition is stated to be stable. [read more](#)

### **Republic of Korea: Confirmed FMD in cattle and pigs**

On 6 February 2015, 3 suspected cases of FMD were detected in 3 cities in Gyeonggi Province. The laboratory tests confirmed the presence of FMDV serotype O in the following cities:

- Icheon city: one (1) animal showed clinical signs, distance from previous outbreak farm in Icheon city (14/01/2015) is 2.1 km;
- Cheonan city: ten (10) animals showed clinical signs, distance from previous outbreak farm in Cheonan city (23/01/2015) is 3.3 km; and
- Hongseong city: 10 animals affected. [read more](#)

### **Kyrgyzstan: At least 7 people suspected of anthrax hospitalized in Jalal-Abad province**

At least 7 people suspected of anthrax hospitalized in Mailuu-Suu city hospital of Jalal-Abad province, the press service of the Ministry of Emergency Situations reported. According to the ministry, all patients - residents of Kok-Tash village. It is noted that they used meat of an animal which has killed on January 24 and distributed to residents of 36 homes. Currently, meat samples sent for analysis to the regional veterinary laboratory. [read more](#)

### **Philippines: High prevalence of hepatitis E in the household-raised pig population**

Researchers found a high prevalence of hepatitis E virus (HEV) antibodies in the household-raised pig population in rural areas of the Philippines. This indicates the potential risk of HEV infection among local residents, Hitoshi Oshitani of Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine in Japan and co-authors concluded. Only genotype 3 of HEV was observed, and genetically diverse strains of HEV were found to be circulating in pigs in this study. HEV infection is a significant public health concern in Asia, they explain in their paper in BMC Veterinary Research, and pigs are an important source of sporadic HEV infection in humans. However, there had been no epidemiological data available regarding HEV infection among the swine or human population in the Philippines until their study. [read more](#) ([full paper](#))