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**China: Reported anthrax in cattle in Liaoning**

An outbreak of anthrax in livestock has been put under control in northeast China's Liaoning Province, said the provincial animal authorities on Monday. Five cattle and one mule died from the disease on July 21 in Xifeng county, Tieling city, said the Liaoning Provincial Bureau of Animal Health and Production. [read more](#)

**China: Confirmed 4 outbreaks of HPAI H5N2 in Taiwan**

Abnormal mortalities were observed in 4 poultry farms in Changhua County and Yunlin 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 restriction. All animals on the infected farms have been culled. [read more](#)

**India: Anthrax scare hit Similipal Tiger Reserve**

Anthrax scare has gripped in Similipal and its neighbouring areas here after an elephant died due to the dreaded bacteria. The blood test performed by Animal Diseases Research Institute (ADRI) at Phulnakhara area in Cuttack confirmed the presence of anthrax organism in the pachyderm, forcing the veterinary and wildlife officials to conduct a vaccination drive in the neighbouring areas of the reserve. [read more](#)

**India: Over 10,000 Mumbaikars down with monsoon-related illness in July**

According to the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation's (BMC) health department, 10,922 people were diagnosed with various ailments related to monsoons in July this year. The city continues to grapple with vector-borne diseases like malaria, dengue, swine flu and leptospirosis with new cases being reported every day. [read more](#)

**India: Bengal blames Center for encephalitis deaths**

The West Bengal Health Minister on Monday accused the Centre of "delaying" the process of dispatching vaccine for encephalitis which has caused 55 deaths in North Bengal since January. "There could have been fewer deaths if the Central government dispatched encephalitis vaccines at the right time," Chandrima Bhattacharya said after a meeting on the situation at the North Bengal Medical College and Hospital here. [read more](#)

**Indonesia: Rabies outbreak claims record 12 lives in Bali**

Rabies is on the rise again in Bali as the disease has already claimed 12 lives this year, a significant increase over last year's two fatalities and 2013's one. The latest case was reported

on Monday, as 24-year-old I Komang Kartawan was suspected to have died from rabies after a puppy bit a finger on his left hand last month. He died at Sanglah Hospital in Denpasar. [read more](#)

### **Pakistan: Patient dies in Peshawar from Congo virus**

According to hospital administration three patients suffering from the Congo virus were brought to the Hayatabad Medical Complex on Friday night. A 16-year-old patient from Afghanistan died as a result of the virus in the hospital on Saturday. A female patient was also admitted today and it is said her condition is critical. [read more](#)

### **Thailand: MOPH warns of leptospirosis amid raining season**

The Ministry of Public Health has warned the general public to be wary of leptospirosis, an infectious disease that often occurs during the rainy season. Leptospirosis, also known as field fever, has infected more than 600 people and claimed 10 lives across 55 provinces since January. Provinces with a high incidence of leptospirosis include Ranong, Sisaket and Phang Nga. Sixty percent of patients were farmers between the ages of 44 and 64. [read more](#)

### **Viet Nam: Confirmed an outbreak of H5N6 in Quang Ngai**

An outbreak of HPAI H5N6 was reported in a village poultry in An Binh, Nghia Ky, Tu Nghia, Quang Ngai by the Department of Animal Health to OIE on 3 August 2015 which caused 115 birds died and another 1085 destroyed to curb with the outbreak. [read more](#)

### **Viet Nam: Ninety people get rabies vaccination every day in Ho Chi Minh City**

Ho Chi Minh City saw 16,410 people bitten by domestic animals and then inoculated against rabies during the first six months of the year, with an average of 90 people given a rabies injection per day. Over 3,600 of the victims were children, according to the Preventive Medicine Center of Ho Chi Minh City. More than 83 percent of the victims were bitten by dogs, and nearly 10 percent by cats. [read more](#)