

This report is based on media monitoring of infectious and emerging diseases globally and within ASEAN Member States. To enhance pandemic and epidemic preparedness and response in the ASEAN Region, we publish this report three times a week.

Global Situation

Mpox

- **Canada:** Montreal's regional public health department (DRSP) has issued a call for vigilance following a recent resurgence of mpox, with six cases reported in the past two weeks (Radio-Canada, 2025). Four recent infections were likely acquired locally, while two were linked to travel. So far this year, the country has confirmed nine cases, all involving Clade IIb. The DRSP is urging healthcare professionals to remain alert and recommends vaccination for at-risk populations. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Mozambique** has confirmed a localized mpox outbreak in Lago District, Niassa Province, with 17 cases confirmed since July 10, 2025; no deaths have been reported (Xinhua, 2025). All patients, aged 17 to 38, are in stable condition and remain in home isolation under a 21-day protocol. The Clade Ib variant, also found in neighboring Tanzania, was identified among 12 patients tested, including two HIV coinfections. Authorities have initiated cross-border coordination with Malawi and Tanzania and are actively monitoring the outbreak while implementing public health measures. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Nigeria:** Benue State reported 31 suspected mpox cases across five Local Government Areas, with seven cases subsequently confirmed in July 2025, according to the State Primary Health Care Board (The Whistler, 2025). Confirmed infections include three in Makurdi, two in Katsina-Ala, one in Gwer East, and one in Guma. Officials have initiated vaccination campaigns and emphasized laboratory testing and surveillance. Authorities are engaging communities to support vaccination and early detection efforts. [\[Full article\]](#)

Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF)

- **Iraq's** Ministry of Health has confirmed 240 cases of CCHF, with 31 deaths, predominantly in Dhi Qar, with 85 cases and 4 deaths, followed by al-Rusafa with 33 cases and 6 deaths (Alforat News, 2025). Health authorities warn against underestimating the virus, which is transmitted through ticks or contaminated blood in agricultural and slaughter settings. They urge prompt medical consultations and emphasize preventive measures like personal protective equipment and safe meat handling practices. [\[Full article\]](#)



Anthrax

- **Uganda's** Ministry of Health has confirmed an anthrax outbreak at Kyaka II Refugee Settlement in Kyegegwa District, following the death of a 26-year-old refugee whose sample tested positive on July 30, 2025 (Xinhua, 2025). A total of four individuals with symptoms have been identified, including three met the case definition. Health officials have deployed a five-member team to conduct active case searches and are planning further orientation for contact tracing. [\[Full article\]](#)

Leptospirosis

- **India:** Ernakulam district in Kerala Province has recorded 15 leptospirosis-related deaths in the first seven months of 2025, with 46 cases reported in the past 29 days (Times of India, 2025). Health officials attribute the increase to delayed diagnosis and exposure to contaminated water during the monsoon season, particularly in coastal and panchayat areas. Authorities advise individuals working in waterlogged environments to take weekly doxycycline prophylaxis, available free at local primary health centres. [\[Full article\]](#)

Rabies

- **Nepal:** Three rabies-related deaths were reported within six weeks in Dhading district, prompting fears of a wider outbreak (Kathmandu Post, 2025). Nearly 300 individuals with potential exposure have been vaccinated, and mass vaccination efforts are ongoing, according to the Epidemiology and Disease Control Division. Health workers have been deployed to the remote villages, where close human-animal interaction is common. Authorities emphasize timely vaccination, noting that rabies remains fatal once symptoms appear. [\[Full article\]](#)

Regional Situation

Dengue

- **Malaysia:** As of July 26, 2025, the Perak Health Department has reported 1,213 dengue cases and one death, a significant decline from 5,058 cases and nine deaths during the same period in 2024 (Malay Mail, 2025). The death involved a 68-year-old man from Kinta District. [\[Full article\]](#)
- The **Philippines:** Palawan Province has recorded 4,763 dengue cases with 30 deaths as of July 29, 2025, a 36.01% increase from the same period in 2024 (Palawan News, 2025). The highest surge occurred in Coron, which saw a 670% rise in cases, followed by Puerto Princesa (139%) and Roxas (70%). Despite the overall increase, several municipalities reported a decline or no cases, including Cagayancillo and Kalayaan. Palawan remains the most affected area in the MIMAROPA region, which recorded 8,691 total cases in the first 30 weeks of the year. [\[Full article\]](#)



Leptospirosis

- **Indonesia:** The Government of Pangkep District in South Sulawesi province reported a death of leptospirosis in Ma'rang Subdistrict in July 2025, prompting an epidemiological investigation and rodent surveillance from July 16-18 (Metro TV News, 2025). *Leptospira* bacteria were confirmed in 3 of 12 trapped rats. Authorities suspect seaweed farming ropes contaminated by rodent urine as a possible transmission route. Multisectoral teams have issued preventive recommendations, including improved equipment storage, waste management, and community education on hygiene practices. [Full article]

Klaten District Health Office (DHO) in Central Java Province reported 97 confirmed cases of leptospirosis with 18 deaths as of July 30, 2025, affecting 25 out of 26 subdistricts, with Wedi Subdistrict reporting the highest number of cases (Harian Jogja, 2025). Health authorities urge the public to use protective gear when working in wet areas and to adopt clean and healthy living practices, particularly for those with skin injuries. [Full article]

Cilacap District, Central Java Province has reported 23 cases of leptospirosis as of July 30, 2025, including five deaths, with the highest number in Nusawungu, Binangun, and Sampang subdistricts (Radar Banyumas, 2025). Local health authorities are promoting public education, environmental hygiene, and personal protective equipment use when working in wet areas. Residents are also advised to seek medical attention if develop of symptoms. [Full article]

Rabies

- **Viet Nam:** On July 31, 2025, The Dong Nai Center for Disease Control (CDC) reported local death from rabies in a 54-year-old man from Dong Tam Commune who died on July 17, 2025, following a wound licked by his dog (Tuoi Tre News, 2025). The CDC confirmed the case and reported that five other individuals were exposed to the virus during the butchering and consumption of the same rabid dog. In response, authorities disinfected the affected area, initiated contact tracing, and provided vaccinations to the exposed individuals. Local officials also emphasized public awareness, pet vaccination campaigns, and responsible pet ownership to prevent further transmission. [Full article]

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