

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

- **Taiwan (Province of China)** reported four new local mpox cases from June 24 to June 30, 2025, marking a single-week record for 2025 and bringing the total to 16 (SET News, 2025). All patients were men in their 30s, with three in northern Taiwan and one in the south. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) emphasized the increased risk during the summer due to increased social activity and urged individuals who are partially vaccinated to receive the second dose for full protection. [[Full article](#)]
- The **Ghana** Health Service (GHS) reported 14 new Mpox cases, increasing the national total to 133 as of June 26, 2025 with no hospitalizations or deaths reported (Ghana Business News, 2025) The infections spread across 46 districts in 10 regions. The GHS has activated contact tracing and public health interventions, urging hygiene and avoiding close contact with symptomatic individuals. [[Full article](#)]

COVID-19

- **Bangladesh** has confirmed 13 new COVID-19 infections between July 1-2, 2025, with a positivity rate of 4.17% from 312 tested samples (BSS News, 2025). No deaths were reported during the period, leaving the national cumulative death toll at 29,521 since the pandemic began in 2020. [[Full article](#)]

Anthrax

- **Kazakhstan:** Five residents of the Atbasar district have been hospitalized with cutaneous anthrax as of mid-2025, presenting with high fevers (Qazinform, 2025). They are now recovering after receiving intensive treatment. Health and veterinary authorities have launched anti-epidemic measures, including disinfection, epidemiological investigations, and laboratory testing. These coordinated efforts involve healthcare services, local authorities, and law enforcement to contain the outbreak. [[Full article](#)]



Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF)

- **Iraq:** TOGÜ Hospital in Tokat has treated 33 tick-attached individuals for CCHF between January and July, 2025 (Habertürk, 2025). Three patients are currently receiving treatment, and 28 have been discharged. Two fatalities, including a baby, were recorded. Medical authorities are monitoring and managing cases to control the disease's impact. [[Full article](#)]

Maysan Province confirmed a fatality from CCHF as of early 2025, due to unregulated animal slaughtering (Shafaq News, 2025). The victim initially self-treated at home before being hospitalized, but efforts to save him failed. Since 2025, Iraq has recorded 128 cases of CCHF and 24 associated deaths, including nine in Maysan. Health authorities are continuing surveillance and response efforts to manage the outbreak. [[Full article](#)]

Melioidosis

- **Australia:** Queensland has recorded 236 cases of melioidosis this year, including 34 fatalities, marking the worst outbreak since 1981 (ABC News Australia, 2025). The disease, linked to soil and water exposure, surged after heavy rainfall in early 2025, affecting Cairns and Townsville. Queensland Health confirmed a new case in Cairns and Hinterland and linked two earlier deaths to the illness. [[Full article](#)]

Poliomyelitis

- **Pakistan** has confirmed its 14th polio case on July 1, 2025, involving a 19-month-old child from North Waziristan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (The News International, 2025). Inaccessible areas in southern Khyber Pakhtunkhwa exacerbate the issue, leaving thousands of children unvaccinated. Targeted oral polio vaccine campaigns have been launched, reaching 17,485 children in Bannu, and more are planned for North Waziristan and southern Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Health authorities emphasize the importance of parental participation and consistent oral polio vaccine (OPV) administration. [[Full article](#)]

Regional Situation

COVID-19

- **Myanmar's** Ministry of Health conducted 2,314 COVID-19 tests, identifying 16 new cases with a 0.69% positivity rate between June 22 and 29, 2025 (Myanmar ITV, 2025). There were no severe cases, ICU admissions, or deaths reported. The ministry urges individuals to take preventive measures and prioritizes booster vaccinations for high-risk groups. [[Full article](#)]
- The **Philippines** reported 1,774 confirmed COVID-19 cases in 2025, an 87% decrease from the previous year (Remate, 2025). However, health experts warn that unreported cases and home-managed cases may indicate higher numbers. Continued transmission risks, including household infections and postponements of official events, authorities highlight the need for mask-wearing, self-isolation, and vigilance. [[Full article](#)]



- **Thailand** has reported 545,560 COVID-19 cases and 206 deaths as of 2025, with 93% of fatalities among risk group, especially over 60 (The Nation Thailand, 2025). A surge in infections, especially in educational institutions, has raised public health concerns. The dominant strain, NB.1.8.1, is classified as a variant of concern due to spike protein mutations, but no increased severity has been observed. [[Full article](#)]

Avian influenza

- **Cambodia:** In a press release issued on July 1, 2025, the Ministry of Health of Cambodia confirmed a new human case of H5N1 avian influenza in Puok District, Siem Reap Province on June 30, 2025 (Ministry of Health Cambodia, 2025). The cases involved a 36 -year-old woman who had direct contact with sick or dead chickens before developing symptoms including fever and respiratory distress. In response, emergency teams have been deployed to conduct active surveillance, distribute antivirals to close contacts, and carry out health education campaigns to prevent further transmission. The patient is currently stable under close medical supervision. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **Malaysia:** Selangor reported 398 dengue cases during the 26th Epidemiological Week of 2025 (June 22–28), a 6.4% decline from the previous week, bringing the year-to-date total to 13,275 cases, a 65.9% reduction compared to the corresponding period in 2024 (Bernama, 2025). There were four dengue-related deaths, and the number of active hotspots decreased to 135, with Petaling, Hulu Langat, and Klang being the most affected areas. State officials attributed these improvements to sustained intervention efforts and public participation in preventive measures. [[Full article](#)]
- The **Philippines:** As of June 21, 2025, Capiz Province has reported 753 dengue cases and four deaths, according to the Capiz Provincial Health Office (Daily Guardian, 2025). The fatalities include two from Dumalag, one from Jamindan, and the most recent from Roxas City. Health officials are urging residents to maintain clean surroundings to reduce mosquito breeding sites and prevent further transmission. [[Full article](#)]

Quezon City has reported 5,399 dengue cases and 16 deaths between January 1 and June 26, 2025, with District 2 having the highest number at 1,531 (28%) (Outbreak News Today, 2025). The majority of fatalities were among females aged 9 to 35 years, with the 11-20 age group most affected. Health officials urge residents to participate in regular clean-up drives, cover water containers, wear protective clothing, and seek medical attention. [[Full article](#)]

- **Thailand** reported 19,491 dengue cases and 21 deaths, a 1.8-fold decrease from last year, with the highest mortality rates in individuals aged over 45 (The Nation Thailand, 2025). However, rising cases are observed in northern and southern regions, particularly among school-age children. Health authorities recommend using mosquito repellent, protective clothing, and sleeping under nets, especially in rural areas, and seeking medical attention for persistent high fever. [[Full article](#)]



HIV/AIDS

- **Indonesia:** The Pati District Health Office (DHO) in Central Java Province reported 1,447 HIV/AIDS cases between 2011 and June 2025, largely due to increased screening efforts (Beta News, 2025). Health authorities emphasized the importance of widespread screening for effective prevention and control. The data collected is used to coordinate prevention strategies with local agencies under the AIDS Commission's guidance, aiming to curb transmission and prolong the lives of those affected. [[Full article](#)]
- **Thailand** has recorded 547,556 people living with HIV as of 2025, including 4,712 HIV-related deaths, with 454,552 currently undergoing antiretroviral treatment (The Nation Thailand, 2025). This year, new HIV diagnoses reached 10,931, continuing the downward trend since 2017. The majority of cases occurred among 25-49 year olds, with unprotected sexual contact accounting for 96.4% of them. The highest case numbers were reported in Bangkok, Chonburi, Nakhon Ratchasima, Khon Kaen, and Udon Thani. [[Full article](#)]

Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- **Thailand's** Department of Disease Control reported 24,008 cases of HFMD as of July 1, 2025, with over 70% affecting children under 5 (Matichon, 2025). Despite the surge, no deaths have been reported. Health authorities urge strict hygiene practices, including handwashing, disinfection, and symptom monitoring. Classrooms with multiple infections should be temporarily closed for deep cleaning. The public is advised to seek medical attention for severe symptoms. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- **Indonesia:** As of June 2025, the Yogyakarta City Health Office, Yogyakarta Province reported 18 leptospirosis cases with five fatalities (Metro TV News, 2025). Authorities attributed delayed healthcare access due to non-specific symptoms a key factor in leptospirosis-related deaths. The Health Office issued a circular to improve vigilance and early detection, urging the public to adopt healthy living practices, recognize symptoms early, and seek medical attention, while health facilities were advised to improve diagnostic capabilities. [[Full article](#)]
- The **Philippines** has reported 66 leptospirosis cases in Quezon City between January and June 2025, with 12 fatalities with the majority being male (Outbreak News Today, 2025). Health authorities are advising residents to avoid floodwater, wear protective gear, maintain cleanliness, and seek medical treatment if exposed to prevent further disease transmission. [[Full article](#)]
- **Thailand** has reported 1,623 leptospirosis cases with 20 deaths so far in 2025, with a higher incidence among individuals aged 60 and older (The Nation Thailand, 2025). Risk factors include flooded environments, lack of protective gear, and contaminated water during fishing activities. Health authorities recommend avoiding prolonged exposure to water, wearing rubber boots and gloves, and seeking medical attention if symptoms appear. [[Full article](#)]



Malaria

- **Myanmar:** Between May 16 and June 10, 2025, Homalin Township reported 99 malaria cases in Nanset Village and 66 in Ton Pay Village (Myanmar Peace Monitor, 2025). Of the infections, 98 were caused by *Plasmodium vivax* and one by *Plasmodium falciparum*. Local health volunteers and residents are warning of growing cases along the Chindwin and Uru Rivers. The shortage of testing kits and antimalarial medications is a major concern, partly due to import difficulties since 2021. [Full article]

Measles

- **Thailand** reported 1,295 cases of measles between January 1 and June 23, 2025, with 425 confirmed cases, 371 through laboratory testing and 54 epidemiologically linked (The Nation Thailand, 2025). The highest number was in the four southern border provinces, Narathiwat, Pattani, Yala, and Songkhla. However, cases have been also increasing in areas outside the southern border provinces, including Rayong, Sa Kaeo, Chonburi, Chanthaburi, Prachuap Khiri Khan, and sporadically in other areas. Health authorities are focusing on isolating suspected cases and vaccinating children with the MMR vaccine at 9-12 months and 18 months to prevent further spread. [Full article]

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