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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

Ebola

- **Uganda's** Ebola Sudan outbreak has confirmed one case involving the wife of a 32-year-old nurse who died from the virus (CIDRAP, 2025). The woman was tested on February 2, and her husband's contact has also developed symptoms. The man's exposure to the virus is still under investigation, and he sought care at three healthcare facilities. [\[Full article\]](#)

Mpox

- The **United Kingdom (UK)**: The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) reported the ninth clade 1b mpox case since October 2024 (CIDRAP, 2025). The patient had a history of travel to Uganda. Close contacts have been identified and offered appropriate advice to prevent further spread. The risk to the population remains low. [\[Full article\]](#)

Dengue

- **Bangladesh**: New dengue cases have been reported in Dhaka, bringing the total to 1,227 this year (UNB, 2025). Seven cases were reported in Dhaka South City Corporation, while one was hospitalized in Dhaka North City Corporation. No new fatalities were reported. Currently, 104 patients are receiving treatment. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Sri Lanka**: The National Dengue Control Unit reported nearly 5,000 dengue cases with two confirmed deaths in the country in January 2025 (Ada Derana, 2025). A total of 16 high-risk zones were identified, with Gampaha District reported the highest number. Cases were also reported in other districts, including Colombo, Galle, Kandy, Batticaloa, and Jaffna. [\[Full article\]](#)

Measles

- **Canada**: Grand Erie Public Health has reported two new cases of measles, increasing the outbreak to 21 (Senoran, 2025). The health unit covers the Counties of Haldimand, Norfolk, Brantford, and Brant. The two new cases are linked to a previously reported infection. Currently, all patients are recovering at home. Locations where the public may have been exposed to the measles virus have also been identified. [\[Full article\]](#)



Regional Situation

Dengue

- **Indonesia:** Bima District, West Nusa Tenggara Province, has recorded 105 cases of dengue hemorrhagic fever (DHF) with three deaths so far this year (Rifaid & Sofian, 2025). Authorities link the outbreak to poor sanitation and water collection. The health department has issued advisories, conducted mosquito control, and promoted preventive measures. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Malaysia:** As of January 25, Kelantan has reported 229 dengue cases this year, a 1.7% decrease from 233 cases in the same period last year (Bernama, 2025). Authorities inspected 21,989 premises and issued 140 fines, totaling RM70,000, to owners for *Aedes* mosquito breeding sites. [\[Full article\]](#)

HIV/AIDS

- **Malaysia:** A 2024 report on HIV in Malaysia revealed that 90% of the 85,283 people living with the virus are men, with infections primarily driven by unprotected sexual activity, particularly among young people (New Straits Times, 2025). Experts cite a lack of awareness about prevention methods and persistent stigma as major barriers to testing and treatment, leading to late diagnoses in 68% of cases. Despite free treatment provided by the government, many at-risk individuals hesitate to seek help. [\[Full article\]](#)

Tuberculosis

- **Indonesia:** Bogor Municipality, West Java Province, has reported 9,947 tuberculosis (TB) cases as of January 31, 2025 (Astuti, 2025). In response, an Active Case Finding (ACF) initiative is screening high-risk individuals at 20 locations from February 1 to 12. Authorities stress cross-sector collaboration to overcome stigma and eliminate TB. The initiative emphasizes early detection, treatment, and public awareness. [\[Full article\]](#)

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