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Global Situation

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- **Ethiopia:** The number of mpox cases in Ethiopia has reached 18, with 12 new cases reported in the past two days, according to the Ministry of Health (Xinhua & Huaxia, 2025). The country has recorded one death, two recoveries, and currently has 15 active cases in isolation. The first case was reported on May 25 in a 21-day-old infant in Moyale near the Kenyan border. In response, health authorities have intensified monitoring and inspection measures to prevent further spread, especially in southern Ethiopia near the Somalia border. [Full article]
- **Ghana** reported 34 new mpox cases on Tuesday, bringing the total to 79, with no deaths recorded so far (Xinhua, 2025). The Ghana Health Service attributed the rise to enhanced surveillance, including contact tracing and rapid case detection. Authorities are urging the public to maintain good hygiene and avoid close contact with symptomatic individuals. Mpox is a rare viral disease spread through body fluids, droplets, and contaminated materials. [Full article]

COVID-19

- **Bangladesh** reported 13 new COVID-19 cases and no deaths in the past 24 hours, bringing the total to 2,051,760, and the death toll remaining at 29,500 (Unb, 2025). The daily positivity rate was 12.87% from 101 tests, while the overall positivity rate is 13.05%. According to the Directorate General of Health Services, 2,019,378 people have recovered so far. [Full article]
- India: India's active Covid-19 cases rose to 6,815 as of June 10, with Kerala reporting the highest number, followed by Gujarat and West Bengal (Fortune India, 2025). A recent spike in cases is being linked to the emergence of the new XFG variant, with the Indian SARS-CoV-2 Genomics Consortium (INSACOG) identifying related infections. In response, the Union Health Ministry has conducted high-level meetings to review the situation and implement a preventive strategy focused on surveillance, testing, hospital readiness, and genome sequencing. States have been advised to maintain vigilance and uphold basic public health measures. [Full article]





On June 10, Gurgaon (Gurugram) in **Haryana** confirmed 11 new cases of the novel coronavirus from 356 samples tested, raising the district's active case count to 61 (Express News Service, 2025). There have been no reported deaths, and 35 of the 96 total cases recorded have recovered. All infected individuals are under home isolation. Preventive measures include reissuing advisories regarding mask use, symptom screening, and hospital readiness. Currently, 500 isolation beds are available. [Full article]

Dengue

- **Bangladesh:** Dhaka has recorded 5,015 dengue cases with 23 deaths in 2025, with 38 new hospital admissions and no new deaths in the past 24 hours (Banglanews24, 2025). Most new cases were reported from Barisal and Dhaka divisions. The Directorate General of Health Services continues to monitor the situation, and 4,564 patients have been discharged so far. [Full article]
- **Nepal:** As the monsoon season begins, dengue cases are rising in Jhapa, Nepal, with 39 infections reported since mid-April, 37 in Birtamod, and one each in Damak and Gauradaha, according to the District Health Office (The Kathmandu Post, 2025). Officials warn that the actual number may be higher, as complete data from all local units is still pending. Efforts are underway to identify hotspots and implement preventive measures. Last year, Jhapa recorded approximately 4,000 dengue cases and two related deaths. [Full article]

Measles

• The **United States (US):** Colorado has confirmed two new measles cases linked to exposure at Denver International Airport, bringing the state's total to 14 cases this year (Penington, 2025). The cases involved a child under five from Colorado Springs and an unvaccinated adult from Aurora. Health authorities have identified several possible exposure sites and urged people who visited these locations to monitor for symptoms for up to 21 days and recommend MMR vaccination for unvaccinated individuals, including post-exposure shots within 72 hours. [Full article]

Pertussis

- **Australia** is experiencing a major surge in whooping cough (pertussis), with over 14,000 cases reported so far in 2025, following more than 57,000 cases in 2024, the highest since 1991 (Mirage News, 2025). The rise is partly due to waning immunity, disrupted vaccinations during COVID-19 lockdowns, and falling vaccine coverage, particularly in areas like Queensland and Western Australia's Kimberley region. [Full article]
- The **United States (US):** Two unvaccinated infants in Kentucky have died of pertussis in the past six months, marking the state's first deaths of the disease since 2018, according to health officials (Jenco, 2025). These deaths come amid a national surge, with 12,513 cases reported from January to May 2025, up from 7,321 during the same period in 2024. Health authorities emphasize the importance of vaccination, especially for pregnant women, to protect newborns who are at the greatest risk of severe illness. Infant deaths have also occurred recently in Louisiana and Washington, as pertussis remains a highly contagious and dangerous respiratory infection for young children. [Full article]



Regional Situation

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• The **Philippines:** As of June 10, the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) has reported 51 mpox cases (eight confirmed, seven probable, and 36 suspect) with no fatalities and eight recoveries (Herriman, 2025). In response, the Ministry of Health (MOH-BARMM) distributed aid packages and conducted training for healthcare workers, while urging the public to follow preventive measures and seek early medical consultation if symptoms appear. [Full article]

COVID-19

• **Thailand** has reported 14,716 new COVID-19 cases and nine deaths, bringing the 2025 total to 420,937 cases and 112 fatalities (nationthailand, 2025). The highest case counts are in Bangkok, Chonburi, Nonthaburi, Nakhon Ratchasima, and Saraburi. In response, the Department of Disease Control urged high-risk groups to monitor symptoms, practice mask-wearing, self-isolation, and seek prompt medical care. The surge is linked to increased transmission during the rainy season. [Full article]

Dengue

• **Indonesia:** As of early June 2025, Batam, Riau Islands Province, has reported 253 dengue cases, with no deaths confirmed (Lubis, 2025). The highest case numbers are in Batam Kota (41), Sagulung (36), and Lubuk Baja (26). Residents are urged to maintain environmental hygiene and seek medical help if symptoms arise. [Full article]

In **Kulonprogo District**, dengue fever cases surged in early 2025, with 86 cases in January and 71 in February, followed by a decline to 18–38 cases per month through May (Ma'arif, 2025). To address the situation, the authorities implemented public hygiene campaigns and urged the public to drain and cover water containers and bury unused items. Three deaths have been reported so far this year. [Full article]

Leptospirosis

- **Indonesia:** Melaksari Village in Cirebon District reported one resident tested positive for the *Leptospira* bacteria and was hospitalized in serious condition (Yulianto & Ravianto, 2025). In response, Gebang Health Center's surveillance team is conducting community education, rat tracing, and environmental inspections around the patient's home, while village authorities join in rat eradication efforts to prevent further cases. [Full article]
- The **Philippines:** A 17-year-old boy from Barangay Bata became Bacolod City's third leptospirosis fatality this year after river exposure, dying in late May (Masculino, 2025). As of May 31, the City Health Office reported nine cases including two fatalities, a 52-year-old drainage cleaner and a 47-year-old man. Infections have risen by 12.5% compared to the same period last year. Authorities urge residents to avoid contact with floodwaters and maintain hygiene to prevent further spread. [Full article]



Rabies

• Viet Nam: A man from Beng village, Gia Lai province, died of rabies on June 6 after being bitten by a dog two months earlier and failing to seek treatment (Hoang Qui, 2025). The victim had a history of mental illness and frequent dog bites, with only one prior anti-rabies injection in early 2025. Authorities urge the public to vaccinate pets and seek immediate medical care after animal bites. Gia Lai remains a rabies hotspot, with 14 deaths in 2023 and 9 in 2024, making it the second-highest province for rabies fatalities in Vietnam. [Full article]

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