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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 risen to nine cases, with two new infections reported (CIDRAP, 2025). The death toll remains at one, resulting in a case-fatality rate of 11.1%. This is Uganda's first Ebola outbreak since 2022, with cases clustered within the family of a nurse who died in January. [Full article]

Avian Influenza (H5N1)

• The **United States (US):** Nevada has confirmed its first human case of bird flu in a farm worker exposed to infected dairy cattle (Reuters, 2025). This marks an extension of the US outbreak, which has affected nearly 70 people since April. The worker is recovering, and the CDC considers bird flu a low risk to the public. [Full article]

Dengue

• **Bangladesh** recorded one dengue-related death and 16 new hospitalizations on February 11, 2025, with cases reported in Dhaka, Chattogram, and Khulna (UNB, 2025). This brings the total cases in 2025 to 1,340, with 12 deaths so far. Authorities continue monitoring the situation, urging preventive measures to control the spread of dengue. [Full article]

Measles

• **South Korea:** A tourist visiting Jeju Island from Vietnam via Seoul tested positive for measles on February 8, the island's first case in five years (Coote, 2025). Authorities have tracked 74 contacts, all asymptomatic, and placed them under passive monitoring for 21 days. This is South Korea's third imported measles case in 2025, despite being declared "Measles Free" in 2014. Health officials urge vaccinations, especially for travelers. [Full article]

Typhoid

• **Taiwan's** CDC reported the first domestic case of typhoid fever in 2025, involving a 10-yearold boy from northern Taiwan who likely contracted the infection from contaminated seafood (Staff, 2025). While two family members experienced mild symptoms, no further spread has been detected, and health authorities have taken preventive measures. The CDC advises the public to practice good hygiene, cook food thoroughly, and prevent cross-contamination to reduce the risk of infection. [Full article]



Regional Situation

Dengue

- **Indonesia:** Klaten District, Central Java Province, recorded 77 cases of dengue hemorrhagic fever in the fourth week of 2025, with no reported deaths (Rukmini, 2025). This marks a significant increase compared to 38 cases in the same period of 2024. The public is advised to maintain cleanliness in and around their homes to curb the spread of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes carrying the dengue virus. [Full article]
- **Viet Nam:** Hanoi reported 13 dengue fever cases in 2025, an increase of 4 from the previous week (Báo Lao động thủ đô, 2025). The cumulative number of cases in 2025 is 137, a decrease compared to the same period in 2024. Patients were recorded sporadically in 26 districts, towns, and cities. [Full article]

Influenza-like Illness (ILI)

• **Philippines:** The Department of Health (DOH) reported a 53% decline in influenza-like illness (ILI) cases from January 1 to February 1, 2025, with 9,995 cases and six deaths, compared to 21,340 cases and 33 deaths in the same period in 2024 (Montemayor, 2025). Despite the decrease, a slight upward trend in cases has been observed. Authorities urge the public to follow preventive measures such as handwashing, wearing masks, and staying home when sick. [Full article]

Leptospirosis

• **Viet Nam:** Two children were recently hospitalized in Hanoi with severe Leptospira infections, highlighting the disease's risks (Quy, 2025). Symptoms included high fever, muscle pain, and, in one case, a widespread rash. Both were diagnosed through serology tests and improved after antibiotic treatment. To prevent infection, parents should ensure children avoid contaminated water or soil, maintain a clean-living environment, and practice proper hand hygiene after outdoor activities or contact with animals. [Full article]

Malaria

• **Indonesia:** Pohuwato District, Gorontalo Province, has recorded 1,541 malaria cases from 2023 to February 2025, with Marisa District being the most affected (315 cases) (Tangahu, 2025). Two malaria-related deaths were reported in Dengilo and Marisa Districts. In response to the rising cases, the local government has declared a malaria emergency and is urging community cooperation for effective disease control. [Full article]

Measles

• **Viet Nam:** Hanoi has reported 327 measles cases in 2025, an increase from last year, primarily among unvaccinated individuals (VN, 2025). The Hanoi CDC is enhancing surveillance, outbreak investigation, and case management to prevent further spread. Efforts include monitoring suspected cases, conducting epidemiological investigations, collecting samples for testing, and implementing control measures in affected areas. The CDC is also coordinating with other agencies to strengthen response efforts. [Full article]



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