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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

Anthrax

• **Bangladesh:** Since mid-August 2025, Rangpur has reported over 200 suspected anthrax cases with two deaths, following cattle deaths in several villages (New Age, 2025). The deceased were a 38-year-old man who likely contracted anthrax after slaughtering a sick cow and died in late August, and a 48-year-old woman who was infected while cooking contaminated meat and died on September 6. In response, over 34,000 cattle have been vaccinated since September 2. Authorities have strengthened monitoring, launched awareness campaigns, and advised residents to avoid contact with infected animals. [Full article]

Hantavirus

• The United States (US): The Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention reported a case of hantavirus pulmonary syndrome (HPS) in an adult resident, marking the state's second case since 2011 (Outbreak News Today, 2025). The patient developed fever, respiratory illness, and complications including pulmonary edema and emboli, requiring hospitalization and supplemental oxygen before recovery. Health officials confirmed exposure to a rodent infestation at the individual's property, with no recent out-of-state travel. [Full article]

Mpox

• The **United States (US):** New York City reported 57 mpox cases between August 10 and September 11, 2025, raising this year's total to 226 (Gay City News, 2025). In the week ending September 6, a total of 16 cases were reported, the highest weekly cases this year. In response, contact tracing is ongoing, and vaccination is being promoted through low- or no-cost sites via the NYC Health Map. The city recorded 420 cases in 2024 and over 3,800 during the 2022 outbreak. [Full article]

Zika

 Macao (SAR) reported its first imported Zika virus case this year on September 10, 2025, involving a 32-year-old female migrant worker who recently returned from abroad (Macao



News, 2025). Health authorities implemented mosquito control measures within a 100-metre radius of her residence and workplace to prevent further transmission. Ongoing surveillance for mosquito-borne diseases continues, following the recent detection of local chikungunya cases in the city. [Full article]

Regional Situation

Dengue

• **Indonesia:** Bontang District Health Office (DHO) in East Kalimantan Province reported two dengue-related deaths in September 2025 (Bontang Post, 2025). In addition, nine new dengue cases were detected during the month, including one that progressed to dengue shock syndrome. This brings the total to 152 cases and 332 notifications in 2025. Health authorities are monitoring the situation and continuing response activities. [Full article]

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

• The **Philippines:** As of September 11, 2025, Iloilo City reported 321 HFMD cases, comprising 56 confirmed and 265 suspected, with 319 recoveries and two active cases (Daily Guardian, 2025). The City Health Office (CHO) highlighted preventive measures such as school coordination, immediate shifts to online classes when cases arise, close contact monitoring, and thorough disinfection of classrooms and facilities. Parents, teachers, and the community were urged to remain vigilant and practice proper hygiene to curb transmission. [Full article]

Cagayan de Oro City reported nearly 70 HFMD cases as of September 2025, affecting nine public schools, with the highest numbers in West City and City Central School with an estimate of 9–11 students infected (Bombo Radyo CDO, 2025). In response, the Department of Education Division issued a memorandum warning schools about HFMD risks and urged parents and teachers to monitor symptoms, enforce regular handwashing, maintain clean environments, and isolate symptomatic children to prevent further spread. [Full article]

Leptospirosis

• **Indonesia:** Boyolali District Health Office (DHO) in Central Java Province reported 21 leptospirosis cases in 2025, including 6 deaths (Radar Solo, 2025). Authorities emphasized the public to prevent further transmission by maintaining environmental hygiene, storing food properly, and using waterproof bandages when working in flood-prone or agricultural areas. [Full article]

Malaria

• **Indonesia:** On September 7, 2025, the Government of Parigi Moutong District, Central Sulawesi Province, extended the emergency alert status for the ongoing malaria outbreak until February 2026 (Antara News, 2025). A total of 160 cases has been recorded, with the highest prevalence in Moutong, Bolano Lambunu, Taopa, Kasimbar, and Sausu subdistricts. Authorities are conducting health screenings, case tracing, and information campaigns on prevention and treatment. [Full article]



Melioidosis

Viet Nam: On August 31, 2025, Dak Lak Province reported its third death of Whitmore's
disease this year, involving a 60-year-old man from Ea Sup Commune who developed
severe complications, including a brain abscess (Tuoi Tre News, 2025). Residents were
advised to use protective gear, treat wounds promptly, consume well-cooked food, avoid
unsafe water sources, and seek immediate medical care for persistent fever, cough, or
fatigue. [Full article]

Rabies

• **Viet Nam:** Dak Lak Province reported a death of rabies in in Hoa Phu Commune, involving 65-year-old man who had been bitten on the hands by a stray dog a month earlier but did not get vaccinated (Tuoi Tre News, 2025). The man developed hydrophobia, shortness of breath, and other classic symptoms of rabies. He was taken to the provincial hospital, where doctors confirmed that he was in the advanced stage of rabies. He died the same day his family brought him home. [Full article]

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