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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

Chikungunya

- **Mauritius** reported three new chikungunya cases, bringing the national total to 13 confirmed cases (Defimedia, 2026). The newly reported cases involved three women presenting with fever and joint pain, all of whom were hospitalized. The cases were detected in Rose-Hill and Sainte-Croix. Health authorities urged the public to remain vigilant and adhere to preventive measures to limit further transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)

Dengue

- **Bangladesh:** The Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) reported 19 new dengue hospitalizations nationwide within the last 24 hours, with no deaths, while 34 patients were discharged (Somoy News, 2026). A total of 893 dengue infections and two deaths have been recorded so far in 2026. Authorities highlighted that dengue remains a significant public health concern following high case numbers in 2024–2025. [\[Full article\]](#)

Measles

- **Australia** reported two additional measles cases in Sydney, New South Wales, one locally acquired and one imported from South-East Asia (News.com.au, 2026). Since December 1, 2025, the state has confirmed 11 measles cases with no deaths reported. NSW Health warned of increased transmission risk and urged vaccination. Public health authorities advised symptom monitoring and post-exposure prophylaxis. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Kazakhstan:** Astana reported an increase in measles cases in early 2026, with 384 primary cases recorded since the start of the year, including 234 laboratory-confirmed infections and no deaths reported (Minval.az, 2026). Health authorities implemented emergency vaccination of contacts within 72 hours and strengthened surveillance and contact tracing to limit further transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Pakistan** reported a measles outbreak in Matyari District in late January 2026, with four child deaths reported within several days (24NewsHD, 2026). At least 18 additional children, reportedly unvaccinated, were confirmed infected, with dozens of suspected cases across affected villages. Health authorities established vaccination camps and deployed response measures to contain transmission and prevent further deaths. [\[Full article\]](#)



- The **United States (US)**: North Carolina reported 11 measles cases from December 2025 through January 20, 2026, including three newly identified cases (Outbreak News Today, 2026). All cases occurred in individuals under 18 years, with most linked to travel to South Carolina. Health authorities updated exposure locations and urged timely MMR vaccination to prevent further transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)

Mpox

- **Pakistan**: Health officials confirmed the first mpox case in Multan after a patient from Khanewal district tested positive at Nishtar Hospital (Dunya News, 2026). The patient has been placed in an isolation ward and is receiving treatment. The detection comes as Punjab faces heightened concern following four previously confirmed cases in Lahore, all of whom are stable and under care. Authorities urged the public to remain vigilant, adhere to safety guidelines, and report symptoms promptly. [\[Full article\]](#)

Rabies

- **India**: A fatal human rabies case was reported in Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu, involving a 13-year-old boy who died on January 22, 2026 (The New Indian Express, 2026). The patient was bitten by a stray dog and did not receive post-exposure prophylaxis, reportedly seeking care from a traditional healer. Rabies symptoms developed four months after exposure and were laboratory-confirmed. Health authorities initiated investigations and strengthened awareness and vaccination measures. [\[Full article\]](#)

Regional Situation

Dengue

- **Indonesia**: As of mid-January 2026, Jombang District, East Java Province, reported 112 dengue cases, including 80 dengue hemorrhagic fever, hospitalized across public and private health facilities (Radar Jombang, 2026). The increase was linked to the ongoing rainy season. Health authorities emphasized mosquito source reduction through elimination of breeding sites as the primary control measure, alongside strengthened community- and school-based health education to reduce transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)

East Jakarta, Jakarta Province recorded 61 dengue cases in the first 20 days of January, with the highest incidence among adults aged 20–44 years and no reported deaths (Berita Jakarta, 2026). Health authorities noted that all age groups remain at risk. Community Health Centers are conducting on-site epidemiological investigations to identify local transmission, alongside fogging, larvicide application, and mosquito-nest eradication. Residents have been urged to seek immediate medical care for any individuals showing fever symptoms. [\[Full article\]](#)

- The **Philippines**: Palawan reported a 53% decrease in dengue cases during the first morbidity week of 2026, with 45 cases and no deaths recorded as of January 17, compared with 96 cases during the same period in 2025 (Palawan News, 2026). Cases were reported across multiple municipalities, with clustering in 14 barangays. The Department of Health (DOH) urged continued vector control, community-based prevention, and sustained vigilance amid intermittent rainfall. [\[Full article\]](#)



- **Viet Nam:** From January 8–15, 2026, Hanoi reported 38 cases of dengue across 24 wards and communes, a decrease of four cases compared with the previous week (Thương Hiệu Công Luận, 2026). Cumulatively, 58 dengue cases have been reported since the beginning of 2026, lower than during the same period in 2025. The Hanoi Center for Disease Control maintained enhanced surveillance and prevention activities. [\[Full article\]](#)

On January 22, 2026, **Ho Chi Minh City** reported increased dengue activity, with 1,430 cases recorded during the past week and 5,228 cases cumulatively since the start of 2026 (Vietnam.vn, 2026). High incidence was noted in Binh Hung Hoa, Tay Nam, and An Nhon Tay wards and communes. Public health responses included investigations, environmental sanitation, larval source reduction, and two rounds of targeted insecticide spraying. [\[Full article\]](#)

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- **Viet Nam:** Hanoi reported 98 HFMD cases from January 8–15, 2026 across 50 wards and communes, an increase of 31 cases compared with the previous week (Thương Hiệu Công Luận, 2026). A total of 125 HFMD cases have been reported since the beginning of 2026, higher than during the same period in 2025. [\[Full article\]](#)

On January 22, 2026, **Ho Chi Minh City** reported 836 HFMD cases during the past week, a 19.8% decrease compared with the four-week average (Vietnam.vn, 2026). Cumulatively, 2,655 cases were recorded from the start of 2026 through epidemiological week three. Higher incidence rates were noted in Long Dien, Ho Tram, and Dat Do communes. [\[Full article\]](#)

Melioidosis

- **Viet Nam** reported one imported case of melioidosis on January 22, 2026, involving a 69-year-old Cambodian male treated at hospital (Tiền Phong, 2026). The patient presented pneumonia-like symptoms and was diagnosed with *Burkholderia pseudomallei* infection with multi-organ abscesses. The patient received prolonged intravenous antibiotic treatment and recovered clinically. [\[Full article\]](#)

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