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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

Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF)

- The **Iraqi** Ministry of Health reported 16 new cases and two deaths from CCHF on July 21, 2025, bringing the total to 231 cases and 30 deaths this year (Mangish, 2025). Health authorities urge the public to avoid high-risk areas, use insect repellent, wear protective clothing, and report suspected cases promptly to limit spread. [[Full article](#)]

Hantavirus

- **Russia:** The Orenburg region has reported 90 cases of hantavirus pulmonary syndrome (HPS) in the first six months of 2025 (ProOren, 2025). The city administration emphasizes preventive measures like rodent control, disinfecting living spaces, practicing hygiene in forested areas, and timely waste disposal. Public health officials are closely monitoring the situation. Residents are advised to seek medical attention if symptoms occur. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **Taiwan (Province of China):** A total of 109 imported dengue cases has been recorded this year as of July 21 with 12 new infections in the last week, the highest weekly case this year, according to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) (ETtoday, 2025). The CDC raised its travel epidemic alert to Level 1 (attention) and urged travelers to take mosquito precautions. [[Full article](#)]

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- The **United States (US):** Chester officials closed the Memorial Park Pool on July 21, 2025, following a child diagnosed with HFMD (9. KYW Newsradio, 2025). The pool underwent water treatment and surface sanitization and is expected to reopen on July 22. Authorities advise the parents to monitor children for symptoms like fever, sore throat, and blisters and seek medical advice if needed. [[Full article](#)]

Malaria

- **Taiwan (Province of China)** has reported 13 imported malaria cases as of July 21, 2025, the highest in nearly two decades, primarily from Africa (Next Apple, 2025). A recent case involved a foreign man in his 20s who developed symptoms and recovered. Health authorities emphasized that all malaria cases this year were imported. The Department of Health advised travelers to seek pre-travel medical consultation and disclose travel history when symptomatic upon return. [[Full article](#)]



Melioidosis

- **Taiwan (Province of China):** Taiwan's Centers for Disease Control (CDC) confirmed six new cases of melioidosis in Kaohsiung City from July 15 to 21, 2025, with two deaths. The elderly men died due to chronic health conditions following sewage sludge contact (ETtoday, 2025). The CDC warned that the peak risk of melioidosis occurs within a month after typhoons due to soil disruption and airborne exposure to *Burkholderia pseudomallei*. In response to 27 cases and two deaths reported so far, The CDC urges high-risk individuals to seek medical attention if symptoms arise. [[Full article](#)]

Pertussis

- **Japan:** The National Institute for Health Risk Management reported 48,000 pertussis cases nationwide this year, 24 times higher than 2022 (Iwate Nippo, 2025). The week of July 8-14 saw 4,073 new cases, marking the fourth consecutive week of record highs since tracking began. The most affected are children under 10, with severe risks including pneumonia and encephalopathy in infants. Health authorities emphasize vigilance and monitoring. [[Full article](#)]

Typhoid

- **India:** Ahmedabad experienced a surge in waterborne and vector-borne diseases between July 1 and 19, 2025, with 357 cases of typhoid (Times of India, 2025). The Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMS) conducted extensive water testing of 37,255 water samples for chlorine and 5,083 for bacteriological quality, finding 65 samples with inadequate chlorine and 57 unfit for consumption. Preventive actions are underway to monitor and improve water quality in affected areas. [[Full article](#)]

Regional Situation

Avian Influenza

- **Cambodia's** Ministry of Health confirmed one case of avian influenza A(H5N1) on July 21, 2025, in a 6-year-old boy from Ponhea Krek District, Tbong Khmum Province (CDC Cambodia, 2025). The patient experienced fever, cough, fatigue, vomiting, and breathing difficulties and tested positive for avian influenza A(H5N1). In response, national and local authorities have initiated case investigations, distributed medicines to close contacts, and launched health education campaigns to prevent further spread. There was no poultry exposure reported in the area. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **Indonesia:** Gianyar District in Bali Province has reported 1,640 dengue cases, including three deaths, as of mid-July 2025 (Bali Tribune, 2025). The health authorities urge early medical intervention to prevent fatality due to risks of plasma leakage and hemorrhage. Authorities have enforced a circular on dengue prevention, mandating intensified community-based vector control, epidemiological investigations, larvicide distribution, focused fogging, and public health education. [[Flu article](#)]



From January to mid-July 2025, **Subang District, West Java Province** recorded 601 suspected dengue cases, including six deaths (Tribun News, 2025). The highest monthly cases were reported in May (152) and June (147). Health officials attribute the surge to erratic weather fostering mosquito breeding and delayed hospital visits contributing to deaths. In response, the Subang Health Office has intensified public awareness campaigns on the preventive strategies and fogging operations to control the mosquito population. [[Full article](#)]

- The **Philippines**: Iloilo Province has reported 2,927 dengue cases and 11 deaths as of July 12, 2025, nearly doubling six deaths reported during the same period last year (Manila Times, 2025). Health authorities emphasize the importance of early consultation and daily monitoring to prevent severe complications. The public is urged to intensify vector control strategies, including destroying mosquito breeding sites and supporting fogging operations. [[Full article](#)]
- **Viet Nam**: The southern region recorded nearly 34,000 dengue cases as of July 21, 2025, an 80% increase from the same period in 2024 (VOV English, 2025). Ho Chi Minh City accounting for 15,502 cases and six adult deaths. To prevent transmission and fatalities, the Ho Chi Minh City Department of Health has mandated intensified vector control, hospital preparedness, case surveillance, and strict enforcement of outbreak response protocols. [[Full article](#)]

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- **The Philippines** has reported 178 confirmed cases of HFMD in Iloilo City as of July 18, 2025, with four new infections in the past week and 20 active cases (Panay News, 2025). The City Health Office (CHO) attributes the spread to insufficient hygiene measures. Local authorities have intensified surveillance, urged early medical consultation, and home isolation for symptomatic individuals. Public cooperation is crucial to prevent a wider outbreak. [[Full article](#)]

Bacolod City has recorded 78 cases of HFMD as of July 12, 2025, a 239% rise from 23 cases reported during the same period in 2024 (Digicast Negros, 2025). The World Health Organization warns of rare severe complications like meningitis and encephalitis. City health authorities are monitoring and urging public vigilance. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- **The Philippines**: As of July 2025, Bacolod City has reported 15 leptospirosis cases, a 50% increase compared to last year, with six probable deaths attributed to the disease (Digicast Negros, 2025). The City Health Office (CHO) linked to increased garbage accumulation, which contributes to a growing rat population. Authorities urge improved waste management and public awareness to reduce exposure risks. [[Full article](#)]

The **Iloilo City** Health Office (CHO) has reported 23 leptospirosis cases as of July 22, 2025, with three deaths linked to delayed treatment due to floodwater exposure (Panay News, 2025). In response, authorities have distributed medicine to over 15,000 residents in flood-prone areas. Health teams are monitoring barangays and administering preventive care. Authorities emphasize seeking free prophylaxis within 24 to 72 hours to prevent further deaths. [[Full article](#)]



Rabies

- **Indonesia:** On July 21, 2025, an 81-year-old woman from Sikka District, East Nusa Tenggara Province, died after exhibiting symptoms of rabies, four months following a dog bite (Kompas, 2025). The patient experienced seizures, hydrophobia, and aerophobia before being referred from a local health center to the hospital. Despite her condition, she was discharged at her family's request and passed away at home. Local health authorities confirmed the death and continue to monitor for potential rabies exposures in the area. [Full article]

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