

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.

Regional Situation

Dengue

- **Indonesia:** Mukomuko District, Bengkulu Province reported 32 dengue fever cases between January–March 2026, increasing from 8 cases in January to 13 in March (Media Indonesia, 2026). Most cases occurred in children, raising concern for complications. Authorities urged environmental cleanliness and implementation of the control strategies to eliminate mosquito breeding sites, with early medical consultation recommended. [\[Full article\]](#)

West Jakarta reported 842 dengue cases from January 1 to April 23, 2026, with Cengkareng the most affected (327 cases), followed by Kalideres (188) and Kebon Jeruk (85) (Berita Satu, 2026). The surge has been linked to high humidity, prolonged rainfall, and poor drainage, supporting the spread of *Aedes aegypti*. Authorities have intensified vector control through larviciding and fogging, while promoting community measures. [\[Full article\]](#)

- **Viet Nam:** In epi-week 16 of 2026, Ho Chi Minh City reported 543 dengue fever cases, a 2.5% decrease compared with the four-week average (HCDC, 2026). Since the beginning of the year, 14,984 cases have been recorded. Areas with high incidence rates were An Nhon Tay, Southwest, and Tay Thanh wards. Authorities continue to urge mosquito control and hygiene measures to reduce transmission risk. [\[Full article\]](#)

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- **Indonesia:** Temanggung District, Central Jawa Province reported 120 cases of HFMD by epi-week 15 of 2026, mainly among children (Banyumas Ekspres, 2026). While most cases are mild and resolve within 7–10 days, severe symptoms may require hospitalization. Authorities emphasize early recognition, hand hygiene, and temporary isolation of infected children to reduce transmission in households and schools. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Viet Nam:** Ho Chi Minh City recorded 1,237 HFMD cases from April 13–19, 2026, bringing the four-week average (HCDC, 2026). The cumulative total to 13,185 cases this year. Authorities continue to urge hygiene practices and adherence to official guidance to limit transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)



Measles

- **Indonesia:** As of mid-April 2026, Cimahi Municipality, West Java Province, reported 237 suspected measles cases with 28 laboratory-confirmed across 13 subdistricts (Kompas Bandung, 2026). The recent increase indicates ongoing transmission, particularly among unvaccinated children. Health authorities urge routine measles-rubella immunization, improved hygiene practices, and isolation of symptomatic individuals, while strengthening surveillance and immunization outreach. [\[Full article\]](#)

Melioidosis

- **Viet Nam:** A 57-year-old man with diabetes from Hanoi was diagnosed with melioidosis after blood and pus cultures tested positive for *Burkholderia pseudomallei* (VnExpress, 2026). He developed pneumonia, osteomyelitis, and multiple abscesses, but improved with intensive antibiotic therapy. The case highlights increased risk among farmers exposed to muddy soil without protection; authorities recommend protective gear and early detection. [\[Full article\]](#)

Global Situation

Chikungunya

- **Mauritius:** Health authorities reported 68 new chikungunya cases on April 24, 2026, bringing the cumulative total to 1,645 since January, with 129 cases currently active and clinically stable (L'Express, 2026). Authorities continue monitoring two hospitalized mpox patients and stress vaccination, hygiene, and surveillance to prevent further transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)

Diphtheria

- **Australia** has reported over 90 diphtheria cases in 2026, more than double the total recorded in 2025, with most cases in Northern Territory (57) and Western Australia (34) (Medical Republic, 2026). This year's total represents the highest national case count since surveillance began in 1991. Authorities stress vaccination alongside case isolation, contact tracing, antibiotic treatment, and booster immunization to control ongoing transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)

Leptospirosis

- **France:** Réunion Island has confirmed 159 leptospirosis cases in 2026, with a seasonal resurgence linked to austral summer conditions (Imaz Press, 2026). The South sector accounted for 67 cases (42%), mainly in Le Tampon, Saint-Joseph, and Saint-Louis, while the East reported 47 cases (30%). Of these, 69 cases required hospitalization and one death was recorded. Authorities urge vigilance and protective measures during freshwater and humid environment activities to reduce transmission risk. [\[Full article\]](#)



Malaria

- **South Africa:** As of April 2026, Mpumalanga reported 858 cases of malaria with four deaths, and Nkomazi identified as a high-risk area following recent flooding that increased mosquito breeding (SABC News, 2026). Gauteng reported 141 confirmed cases and 11 deaths, with a total of 414 cases. Authorities emphasized cross-border collaboration with Mozambique and Eswatini and strengthened elimination efforts during World Malaria Day activities in KwaMhlushwa. [\[Full article\]](#)

Measles

- **Canada:** Manitoba reported 25 additional measles cases on April 18, 2026, bringing the provincial total to 497 confirmed and 70 probable cases this year (CBC News, 2026). The province accounts for over 60% of Canada's cases, with 80 confirmed and five probable cases in April alone. Health officials issued exposure warnings for hospitals, schools, and transit routes in southern Manitoba and emphasized vaccination as the most effective protection. [\[Full article\]](#)

Lanaudière region reported three new measles cases on April 24, 2026, bringing the provincial total to eight this year (CBC News, 2026). Exposure sites were identified across multiple municipalities, involving healthcare facilities, retail stores, and restaurants. Authorities advised potentially exposed individuals, especially those unvaccinated or born after 1970, to seek guidance via a dedicated call centre. [\[Full article\]](#)

- **Bangladesh** reported 11 child deaths from measles or measles-like illness on 24–25 April 2026, bringing the six-week total to 251 deaths (42 confirmed, 209 suspected) (Daily Sun, 2026). During the same period, 4,460 confirmed cases and 30,607 suspected cases were reported. Authorities warned of a worsening outbreak and called for strengthened public health measures. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Hong Kong (SAR):** On April 24, 2026, the Centre for Health Protection confirmed an imported measles case in a 31-year-old female flight attendant with recent travel to Viet Nam (ON.CC, 2026). She developed fever and rash, tested positive, and was hospitalized in stable condition. Twenty-seven clinic contacts are under medical surveillance with no reported symptoms. Authorities emphasized vaccination and provided free measles immunization to airport staff, with 75 individuals vaccinated the same day. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Japan:** Shinjuku Ward reported a measles outbreak at a public elementary school, with 47 cases (41 students and 6 staff) (Mainichi Shimbun, 2026). Symptoms began between April 9–10, and a grade-level closure was implemented from April 20 to 24. Most cases were mild, some required hospitalization. None had recent overseas travel, indicating domestic transmission. Across Tokyo, 203 measles cases have been reported in 2026, reflecting sustained urban transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Pakistan** reported a total of 4,541 confirmed cases in the first quarter of 2026, with the highest incidence in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (1,712 cases) (Dawn, 2026). Seventy-one children have died from measles: 40 in Sindh, 12 in Punjab, 12 in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and 4 in Balochistan. Health authorities highlighted high numbers of zero-dose children post-COVID-19 and are strengthening national immunization efforts. [\[Full article\]](#)

- The **United Kingdom (UK)** reported 442 laboratory confirmed measles cases so far this year, with hospitalizations reported among children (Liverpool Echo, 2026). Outbreaks re-emerged in 2023 and peaked in 2024 with nearly 3,000 cases, coinciding with declining MMR vaccination coverage. Health authorities are intensifying vaccination campaigns and offering earlier second doses to improve protection. [[Full article](#)]
- The **United States (US)**: Rhode Island confirmed its second measles case in 2026 in a woman in her 20s with recent international travel, unrelated to a case reported on April 18 (Turn to 10, 2026). She tested positive after visiting urgent care in Middletown and did not require hospitalization. Contact tracing is ongoing; exposed individuals are advised to monitor symptoms and seek guidance before visiting healthcare facilities. [[Full article](#)]

Maryland confirmed two measles cases in Baltimore-area residents with recent international travel (IT-Boltwise, 2026). Individuals who visited affected locations are advised to monitor symptoms and verify vaccination status. Officials emphasize vaccination as the most effective prevention and recommend that suspected cases contact healthcare providers by phone before visiting clinics. [[Full article](#)]

Mpox

- The **United States (US)**: Washoe County reported two confirmed mpox cases, the first locally identified since October 2022 (2News Nevada, 2026). Authorities stated the overall public risk remains low, with no evidence of widespread community transmission. Officials have initiated contact tracing and emphasized vaccination for high-risk groups, with free two-dose vaccines available through public health programs. [[Full article](#)]

Rabies

- **India**: Maharashtra reported 19 rabies deaths, including 9 in Pune and 2 in Thane (Indian Express, 2026). The increase is attributed to a large stray dog population, open garbage access, and breeding behavior, alongside improved surveillance. Authorities emphasized timely anti-rabies vaccine and immunoglobulin, sterilization and vaccination campaigns, and public awareness to prevent fatal rabies encephalitis. This year, 499,553 dog bite cases were recorded in the state. [[Full article](#)]

West Nile Virus (WNV)

- **India**: Erur in Ernakulam district reported one laboratory-confirmed WNV infection, with two additional suspected cases under observation and samples sent for testing (Deepika, 2026). Authorities have intensified house-to-house inspections, environmental surveys, and source reduction to eliminate breeding sites. Residents are advised to use personal protective measures against mosquito bites and seek prompt care for fever or neurological symptoms to limit transmission. [[Full article](#)]

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