



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*

- **Hong Kong (SAR):** Health authorities confirmed an imported chikungunya fever case linked to a recent trip to Guangdong (Dimsum Daily, 2025). The patient is under observation, and public health officials have closed trails in Tsing Yi as a precautionary measure to minimize exposure to mosquitoes. Residents are reminded to eliminate standing water and protect themselves against mosquito bites to prevent further transmission. [[Full article](#)]

### *Dengue*

- **Bangladesh** recorded 114 new dengue hospitalizations on December 27, 2025, with no deaths reported (jagonews24.com, 2025). New admissions were highest in Chattogram (40), followed by Dhaka North City (25) and Dhaka South City (16). Year to date, 102,562 infections and 412 deaths have been reported, compared with 101,214 infections and 575 deaths last year. [[Full article](#)]
- **Taiwan (Province of China):** Two new imported dengue cases were confirmed in Tainan, involving a couple in their 60s who recently returned from a trip to the Philippines (U-Daily News, 2025). The patients developed fever and vomit after returning home, prompting health authorities to initiate chemical mosquito-control operations, environmental cleanup around their residence and workplaces, and contact testing. [[Full article](#)]

### *Measles*

- **India:** Measles cases in Raxaul have raised concern, with five laboratory-confirmed infections among children and around 12 cases reported (Hindustan Times, 2025). Affected children presented with fever and rash, prompting testing. Health authorities, supported by WHO and UNICEF, have launched intensive field surveys in affected areas, while a vaccination camp is being planned. A possible additional case involving a mother and child from Birgunj, Nepal, was reported at Duncan Hospital. [[Full article](#)]



- **Japan:** Tokyo authorities confirmed a measles case in a male airport shuttle bus driver in his 30s, who worked routes to Haneda and Narita airports before symptom onset (ETtoday, 2025). He also spent three hours at a large hardware store in Toyosu, potentially exposing numerous people. Passengers and visitors during the specified times were advised to avoid public transport and seek medical advice if symptoms develop. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Pakistan:** Dherki, Sindh, has recorded at least 13 cases of measles, resulted in the deaths of three children; local health authorities report multiple linked cases (24 News HD, 2025). Officials are investigating the cluster and have reiterated the importance of timely measles vaccination and prompt medical care to prevent further fatalities. [\[Full article\]](#)

### *Mpox*

- **Kenya:** The principal secretary for Kenya's Ministry of Health announced that two recent cases of mpox have been identified in Mombasa and Nakuru, with a total of 12 counties reporting cases. Over 2.6 million travelers have been screened, and 351 samples have been tested (Balkanweb, 2025). The Ministry is committed to controlling the outbreak and has deployed a rapid response team for case management and contact tracing, ensuring the health and safety of Kenyans, particularly during the festive season. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Pakistan** confirmed two new mpox cases in Lahore, bringing the city's total to 17 cases, with no deaths reported (DialoguePakistan, 2025). The patients, a 40-year-old woman and a 45-year-old man, tested positive at Mayo Hospital, and neither had recent travel history, suggesting possible local transmission. Authorities have continued hospital monitoring and isolation of confirmed cases. No major restrictions have been imposed so far. [\[Full article\]](#)

### *Rabies*

- **Iraq:** An 11-year-old child in Babylon Governorate was admitted in critical condition with rabies about 20 days after a dog bite (Shafaaq News, 2025). The child developed severe symptoms, including respiratory involvement, hysteria, and hydrophobia, and was transferred to Babylon Teaching Hospital to receive vaccination after initial emergency treatment. [\[Full article\]](#)

## **Regional Situation**

### *Dengue*

- **Indonesia:** The number of dengue fever cases in Trenggalek District significantly declined in 2025, with 525 cases reported as of December 26, compared to 1,070 cases in 2024 (Tribunjatim, 2025). This reduction is attributed to enhanced promotive and preventive efforts by local authorities and the community. Nevertheless, the Health Office cautioned that vigilance remains crucial, as dengue fever continues to pose a fatal risk in the region. [\[Full article\]](#).



- **Singapore** recorded 3,990 cases of dengue this year as of December 26, a 30% drop from last year's record (The Straits Times, 2025). Health authorities attribute the drop to sustained vector control efforts and community participation in reducing mosquito breeding habitats. Despite the lower-case numbers, officials continue to urge vigilance, especially during the peak transmission season. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Viet Nam:** A 15-year-old boy in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, developed a highly rare pancreatic complication of dengue fever, one of only about 70 cases reported globally since 1981 (Một thế giới, 2025). The patient was admitted in critical condition with hemorrhagic shock and multi-organ failure but was successfully treated through intensive measures including mechanical ventilation, dialysis, and organ support. [\[Full article\]](#)

An Giang Province reported 6,292 cases, a 2.2-fold increase from 2024, including 237 severe cases and one death (Ministry of Health's Portal, 2025). Ca Mau area recorded 4,062 cases, up 4.1 times, with two deaths and 2,726 outbreaks. Although recent weeks showed a slight decrease in case numbers, they remain higher than previous years. The delegation emphasized the need for continued vigilance and proactive measures for 2026 while acknowledging local health efforts amid broader tasks in healthcare management. [\[Full article\]](#)

### **Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease**

- **Viet Nam:** In response to a surge in hand, foot, and mouth disease cases, the Ho Chi Minh City Department of Health monitored prevention efforts in Tan Dong Hiep and Binh Hung Hoa wards (doanh nghiệp cuộc sống, 2025). Binh Hung Hoa recorded 568 cases from January 1 to December 7, 2025, a 67% increase from 2024, with no fatalities. The ward enhanced hygiene communications and inspections, utilizing loudspeakers, banners, and leaflets, particularly directing efforts towards households with children under 5. [\[Full article\]](#)

### **HIV/AIDS**

- **Indonesia:** The Magetan Health Office, East Java Province, reported 137 HIV/AIDS cases in 2025, including four pregnant and breastfeeding women (Radar Madiun, 2025). Local authorities are strengthening awareness campaigns, promoting voluntary testing, and emphasizing consistent use of protection to reduce transmission. Health officials also urged community support for people living with HIV/AIDS and treatment services to improve health outcomes. [\[Full article\]](#)

### **Melioidosis**

- **Viet Nam:** Thai Nguyen Central Hospital has successfully treated a 63-year-old patient with sepsis and pneumonia caused by Whitmore bacteria (bảo trithuccuocsong, 2025). The patient, who had a history of schizophrenia, long-term smoking, and poorly controlled diabetes, experienced high fever, and chills for nearly a month before admission. Upon arrival, he presented with a fever of 40°C, rapid breathing, and various lab results indicating significant inflammation and elevated blood glucose. A CT scan confirmed pneumonia and lung collapse. [\[Full article\]](#)



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