



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 Haemorrhagic Fever (CCHF)

- **Pakistan:** On September 27, Sindh confirmed the province's sixth death of CCHF this year, involving a 28-year-old butcher from Landhi, Karachi (DailyTimes, 2025). The patient developed symptoms on September 24 and was tested positive by PCR before succumbing shortly after hospital admission. The Sindh Health Department has initiated contact tracing, intensified surveillance, and advised high-risk occupational groups to adopt preventive measures. Public awareness campaigns are ongoing to reduce transmission risk. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **India:** On September 25, 2025, a 20-year-old college student from Kottayam, Kerala, died of dengue fever after receiving one week hospital treatment at in Thiruvalla (Third Eye News Live, 2025). There were no further cases reported. [[Full article](#)]

Melioidosis

- **Hong Kong (SAR):** The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Hong Kong Department of Health reported one new melioidosis case involving an 83-year-old female from Sham Shui Po with underlying illnesses (The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, 2025). He developed fever and cough on September 14 and was admitted with pneumonia. Laboratory testing confirmed the infection with *Burkholderia pseudomallei*, and investigations are ongoing. The CHP urged public and environmental hygiene and advised high-risk groups to avoid contact with soil or muddy water after typhoons or storms to reduce infection risk. The patient remains in stable condition. [[Full article](#)]



Regional Situation

Dengue

- **Indonesia:** As of September 2025, West Pasaman district, West Sumatra province, had reported 247 cases of dengue fever, including three deaths (Antara News, 2025). In September alone, there were 44 cases and two deaths. In response, health authorities intensified their efforts, which included epidemiological investigations, larval source reduction, fogging, surveillance, and community education on control measures. The district government issued a circular urging collective cleanup activities, household larval monitoring, and school-based mosquito control. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **The Philippines:** The MIMAROPA region reported 11,358 dengue cases and 68 deaths as of September 20, 2025, down from over 14,000 cases in the same period last year (Palawan News, 2025). Palawan Province was the hardest hit, with 6,163 cases and 39 deaths. Clustering was detected in multiple barangays; however, the number of clustered areas declined from 60 in early September to 47 by September 20. The largest affected group was children aged 1–10 years. [\[Full article\]](#)
The **Bacolod City Health Office (CHO)** reported 840 dengue cases and six deaths as of September 13, 2025 (Visayan Daily Star, 2025). This represents a 45.9% decrease from the same period in 2024. Most cases were among individuals aged 1-19 years. [\[Full article\]](#)

Hand, Foot and mouth Disease (HFMD)

- **The Philippines:** The Department of Health in Northern Mindanao is urging parents and caregivers to practice preventive health measures as HFMD cases continue to rise across the region, including Valencia City (164), Cagayan de Oro City (142), Iligan City (88), El Salvador City (80), Tudela (50), Tubod (43), and Mambajao (12) (Philippine Information Agency, 2025). Most cases occur among children under five, and no deaths have been reported. Authorities advise immediate isolation of suspected cases and reinforce preventive measures, including regular handwashing, surface disinfection, proper waste disposal, and strengthening school- and community-based health promotion. [\[Full article\]](#)

Leptospirosis

- **The Philippines:** Bacolod City reported 25 leptospirosis cases and seven probable deaths as of September 20, 2025, a 38.9% increase from the same period in 2024 (Visayan Daily Star, 2025). The Department of Health has advised the public to remain vigilant for symptoms and seek immediate medical care to prevent severe outcomes. [\[Full article\]](#)



Rabies

- The **Philippines**: As of September 2025, the City Health Office–Animal Bite Treatment Center (CHO-ABTC) in Davao City reported five rabies-related deaths, compared to three in 2024 (Mindanao Times, 2025). The deaths involved men aged 30–59 years, including one linked to a dog bite that occurred a decade earlier without treatment. Health officials urge immediate medical consultation after animal bites and focus on increasing vaccine allocations for 2026. [\[Full article\]](#)

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