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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)

- **Russia:** The Volgograd Region has reported 1,664 tick bite cases since the start of the season, resulting in 9 cases of Lyme disease and 3 cases of CCHF (Komsomolskaya Pravda, 2025). The Department of Rospotrebnadzor has recorded 46 tick bite cases in the past week and urges prompt medical attention to avoid complications. Residents are advised not to delay care even after independently removing ticks. [[Full article](#)]

Zika

- **France:** On July 29, 2025, health authorities in Grande Est region confirmed a case of Zika virus infection in an individual recently returned from a tropical area (Al-Ahram, 2025). The patient had visited the North Strasbourg cemetery in Robertsau District and a shopping center in Truchtersheim District. In response, a mosquito control campaign was launched from July 29 to 30, with residents advised to remain indoors and adhere to safety instructions. [[Full article](#)]
- **Italy:** On July 29, 2025, the Municipality of Arezzo issued an emergency ordinance following confirmation of a Zika virus case contracted abroad currently hospitalized at San Donato (La Nazione, 2025). In response, disinfection operations are carried out overnight from July 29 to 30 within a 200-meter radius of San Donato Hospital and Via Malaspina. Residents are required to comply with vector control measures, including granting access to pest control staff and observing indoor safety precautions. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- **India:** As of July 22, 2025, Kerala has reported 1,494 confirmed leptospirosis cases and 88 deaths, including 287 cases and 22 deaths in July alone (The New Indian Express, 2025). The surge is linked to the monsoon season. Health experts recommend early diagnosis, personal hygiene, and doxycycline distribution as preventive measures. Authorities are urged to provide safety gear and disease awareness, particularly for migrant workers and those in farming or sanitation. [[Full article](#)]



Measles

- **Mongolia's** measles death toll has risen to ten as of July 28, 2025, with 109 hospitalizations, including six critically ill children (Xinhua, 2025). In response, the National Center for Communicable Diseases (NCCD) urges parents to ensure their children receive two doses of the measles vaccine to prevent further infections. [[Full article](#)]

Melioidosis

- **Taiwan (Province of China):** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported four new local cases of melioidosis on July 29, 2025, including one severe case in Tainan (Liberty Times Net, 2025). This brings the total to 32 cases this year, the highest in five years. The surge, linked to Typhoon Denas, has been concentrated in Kaohsiung, Taichung, Tainan, and Pingtung. Authorities urged the public to wear protective gear, ensure water safety, and maintain environmental hygiene to prevent further spread. [[Full article](#)]

Rabies

- **India** reported a rabies-related death involving a six-year-old girl in Delhi on July 26, 2025, following a stray dog bite in Pooth Kalan on June 30 (LatestLY, 2025). Despite receiving initial anti-rabies treatment, her condition worsened, and she was referred to multiple hospitals before passing away. [[Full article](#)]

Regional Situation

Mpox

- The **Philippines:** The Surigao del Sur Provincial Health Office reported its first laboratory-confirmed case of mpox on July 22, marking the third reported case in the Caraga Region (Outbreak News Today, 2025). The patient exhibited fever, rashes, sore throat, and fatigue after travelling to areas with known mpox infections. The Department of Health and local authorities conducted immediate isolation and testing. Health officials urged the public to remain vigilant and follow minimum public health standards. [[Full article](#)]

Avian Influenza A(H5N1)

- **Cambodia:** On July 26, 2025, the Ministry of Health of Cambodia announced an additional case of avian influenza A(H5N1) in a 26-year-old man from Siem Reap City, Siem Reap Province (Ministry of Health Cambodia, 2025). The patient developed symptoms of fever, cough, sore throat, abdominal pain, and difficulty breathing and is currently receiving intensive treatment. The Ministry of Health, with local partners, is investigating the avian influenza outbreak, following strict protocols. [[Full article](#)]



COVID-19

- **Indonesia's** Ministry of Health reported that the XFG (Stratus) COVID-19 variant became the dominant strain in June, accounting for 100% of detected cases (Detik Health, 2025). Of 12,853 specimens tested this year, 291 COVID-19 cases were recorded, with a cumulative positivity rate of 2.26%. Most cases occurred in Jakarta, East Java, Banten, West Java, South Sumatra, and the Special Region of Yogyakarta. Health authorities urged the public to remain vigilant, adhere to health protocols, seek timely medical care, and ensure vaccination for high-risk groups. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **Indonesia's** Ministry of Health reported 79,843 dengue cases and 359 related deaths as of epidemiological week 25 of 2025, highlighting a critical public health concern (CNN Indonesia, 2025). The Ministry of Health highlights that adolescents and children aged 5–14 are the most vulnerable to severe outcomes, with neurologists warning of risks such as dengue shock syndrome and complications from multiple serotype infections. [[Full article](#)]
- **Malaysia:** Bintulu authorities raised concern over a surge in dengue cases, with 46 cases reported in Kampung Baru and five in Kampung Sinong (The Borneo Post, 2025). Although no critical cases recorded, authorities emphasize immediate preventive action and called for community clean-up efforts. Public education campaigns are in place to enhance environmental hygiene and control vector-borne disease transmission. [[Full article](#)]
- The **Philippines:** Mangaldan recorded 82 dengue cases between January and July 2025, prompting fogging operations in several elementary schools, including Inlambo, Macayug, Lanas, and Talogtog (RMN, 2025). Authorities emphasized the risk of stagnant rainwater and the importance of early intervention. The campaigns are scheduled in other public schools to ensure safety. [[Full article](#)]
- **Viet Nam:** Hanoi has recorded 475 dengue cases so far this year, a significant drop from over 1,400 cases during the same period in 2024 (Nhan Dan, 2025). However, infections resurged due to favorable weather conditions and gaps in local health infrastructure following administrative reforms. In response, Hanoi's Department of Health has deployed working groups and mobile epidemic teams. Communes and wards are urged to map risk areas, reinforce vector control teams, and implement regular sanitation campaigns. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- **Indonesia:** The Yogyakarta City Health Office (CHO) in the Special Region of Yogyakarta Province reported 21 leptospirosis cases with 7 deaths as of July 2025, a 31% increase from 2024 (Tribun Jogja, 2025). Health authorities warn that delayed treatment can lead to acute kidney failure, and prompt diagnosis and medication administration are crucial to reduce severe outcomes. [[Full article](#)]
Bantul District in the Special Region of Yogyakarta Province has reported 179 leptospirosis cases as of July 29, 2025, urging residents to adopt clean living practices (Harian Jogja, 2025). The Health Office has strengthened early detection, case management, and public education to curb transmission. [[Full article](#)]



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