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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

Mpox

- **Switzerland** confirmed its first clade Ib mpox case in April 2025, in a traveler returning from Africa (FOPH, 2025). The affected individual is currently isolated and there is no risk of infection to others. Health authorities advise people showing symptoms to consult a physician and avoid close skin contact until medical evaluation. [[Full article](#)]
- The **United Kingdom** Health Security Agency (UKHSA) confirmed a case of clade Ib mpox in North East England in March 2025, with no reported travel history or links to previously identified cases (BBC News, 2025). Health authorities are currently investigating the source of infection and have stated that the overall risk to public health remains low. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **India:** Bengaluru city recorded 329 dengue cases from January to March 2025, a decline ahead of the anticipated monsoon season (Bangalore Mirror, 2025). The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) emphasized the need for timely dengue control efforts, directing officials to launch public awareness campaigns and enforce hygiene regulations, including fines for non-compliance. [[Full article](#)]

HIV/AIDS

- **India:** The Kumaon region of Uttarakhand has recorded 477 new HIV-positive cases between January 2024 and March 2025, with an average five new daily infections (The New Indian Express, 2025). The cases include 370 men, 98 women, eight children, and one transgender individual, with 38 from the prison system. Health authorities are calling for increased awareness campaigns, rehabilitation efforts, and harm-reduction programs to combat HIV spread. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- **Ukraine:** The Lviv region reported the third case of leptospirosis in 2025 (Lviv Portal, 2025). The patient developed symptoms in late March, including loss of consciousness, gastrointestinal disturbances, jaundice, and myalgia, following the consumption of water from non-centralized sources. Authorities are conducting an epidemiological investigation to determine the source and prevent further infections. [[Full article](#)]



Measles

- **Canada:** Ontario reported 89 new measles cases this week, bringing the cumulative total to 661 since the outbreak began in 2024 (Global News, 2025). A pediatric infectious disease specialist emphasized the importance of parents and the public awareness in mitigating the spread of the virus. [[Full article](#)]
- The **United States (US):** Texas has reported 505 confirmed cases of measles as of April 8, 2025 an increase of 24 since April 4, amid growing outbreak across 22 states (Reuters, 2025). The state also recorded its second death last week. Health authorities urged vaccination as the most effective preventive measure. [[Full article](#)]

Regional Situation

Chikungunya

- **Indonesia:** Tulungagung District, East Java Province experienced a 20% increase in chikungunya cases in early 2025, with 210 suspected cases and 13 confirmed positives between January to March (Radar Tulungagung, 2025). Health authorities urge public vigilance during mosquito active hours to prevent further spread. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **Indonesia:** Probolinggo District, East Java Province reported a total of 526 dengue cases from January to March 2025, with 227 cases in January, 191 in February, and 108 in March (Radar Bromo, 2025). The District Health Office conducted fogging operations in high-risk areas, particularly within the working areas of Dringu and Tegalsiwalan Community Health Centers. [[Full article](#)]
- **Lao People's Democratic Republic** reported 556 dengue cases with no death between January to March 2025, a significant decrease from the 1,837 cases and three deaths in the same period 2024 (Xinhua News Agency, 2025). The highest cases were reported in Vientiane, followed by Luang Namtha and Luang Prabang. The government has urged health officials to improve dengue fever management to prevent a major outbreak. The Ministry of Health launched a *Wolbachia* mosquito release project to protect over 1.2 million people. [[Full article](#)]
- **Malaysia:** Klang District in Selangor has reported 1,473 dengue cases and one fatality as of April 6, 2025 (The Star, 2025). Four new areas have been declared as hotspots, bringing the total to five. Kampung Delek Kiri remains the most affected area. Authorities urge community leaders, village heads, and residents to conduct neighborhood clean-ups to eliminate mosquito breeding sites. [[Full article](#)]
- The **Philippines** reported 4,377 dengue cases in Quezon City as of April 7, 2025, a 322% increase from the same period in 2024 (Radyo Pilipinas, 2025). The death toll remains at 12, with 2,258 cases involving children aged 10 and below. The majority of cases were reported in Barangays Bagong Silangan, Batasan Hills, Holy Spirit, Commonwealth, Payatas A, and Payatas B in District 2. Local authorities urge the public to follow preventive measures. [[Full article](#)]



- **Singapore** reported 88 dengue cases in the week ending 5 April 2025, 10 cases fewer than the previous week (National Environment Agency, 2025). As of April 7, a total of 15 clusters remain active. Dengue virus serotype 2 (DENV-2) has dominated circulation since September 2023, and overall population immunity remains low. Authorities are intensifying vector control through inspections and insecticide spraying, urging residents to implement preventive measures. [[Full article](#)]

HIV/AIDS

- **Indonesia:** Lamongan District, East Java Province identified 38 new HIV cases between January and March 2025, across 11 sub-districts (Radar Lamongan, 2025). Health authorities emphasize the importance of early detection through the national screening program to prevent treatment delays and AIDS progression. Residents are encouraged to access free HIV testing services at community health centers as a preventive measure. [[Full article](#)]

Malaria

- **Indonesia:** Wania Subdistrict, East Mimika District, Papua Tengah Province treated 509 malaria cases in March 2025 (Timika eXpress, 2025). Health workers have intensified education and outreach in affected villages to promote clean living and reduce the risk of malaria and other leading diseases. [[Full article](#)]
- **Myanmar:** Palaw Township, Tanintharyi Region reported two deaths from cerebral malaria in March 2025, including a 30-year-old woman and an infant (Burma News International, 2025). Of 1,967 individuals tested between February to March, 537 tested positive, with 484 cases of *Plasmodium vivax* and 53 of *Plasmodium falciparum*. Preventive efforts previously supported by USAID through NGOs have declined due to funding cuts, hindering local responses. [[Full article](#)]

Measles

- The **Philippines** reported 85 suspected measles cases in Western Visayas from January to March 2025, an 183% increase from the same period last year (Daily Tribune, 2025). Health authorities aim to fully immunize 93,175 infants aged 0 to 12 months this year, and urge parents the importance of timely vaccination and preventive practices. [[Full article](#)]
- **Viet Nam:** Hai Phong confirmed 438 measles cases out of 607 suspected from January to March 2025, with the highest numbers of cases in Thuy Nguyen, Le Chan, Kien An, Ngo Quyen, and Hai An districts (Tiền Phong, 2025). Health authorities intensified investigating suspected cases, classifying and screening patients from high-incidence areas, and promoting vaccination to prevent further spread. Over 25,800 doses administered, 87.13% coverage among infants aged 6-10 months. [[Full article](#)]

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