

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:** South Sumatera Province reported 161 dengue cases in October 2026, down from 391 in September and 426 in August, with 22 deaths recorded in 2026 (Detik Sumbagsel, 2026). Authorities warned of a potential increase during December 2026–January 2027 and planned to distribute 200,100 larvicide sachets and 1,224 insecticide bottles for mosquito control. [\[Full article\]](#)
- The **Philippines** reported 205,347 dengue cases as of October 14, 2026, a 22% decrease from 261,749 in 2025, with a case fatality rate of 0.38% (The Star, 2026). Eleven provinces and highly urbanised cities across nine regions reported localised increases. Manila recorded 4,048 cases and Quezon City 6,302. Authorities promoted mosquito control and the Enhanced 4S Strategy. [\[Full article\]](#)

Albay Province reported 64 new dengue cases across local government units on October 21, 2026, according to the Provincial Incident Management Team (91.5 Brigada News FM Legazpi City, 2026). Tabaco City recorded the highest number with 18 cases, followed by Rapu-Rapu with nine, and Legazpi City and Polangui with five cases each. [\[Full article\]](#)

Bacolod City, Negros Occidental Province, Western Visayas (Region VI), reported 891 dengue cases and six deaths as of October 3, 2026, a 1.5% increase from 878 cases and six deaths in 2025) (Panay News, 2026). Authorities urged all 61 barangays and government offices to strengthen surveillance, public awareness, sanitation, cleanup drives, and mosquito breeding-site elimination, particularly during rainy and flood-prone periods. [\[Full article\]](#)

- **Viet Nam:** Phu Quoc Special Economic Zone, An Giang Province, reported over 1,000 dengue cases, a 6.9-fold increase from the same period in 2025 (Vietnam.vn, 2026). An Thoi recorded 672 cases (65.11%). Authorities launched mosquito-larvae elimination campaigns across eight neighbourhoods and strengthened vector control, while local dengue vaccination demand nearly doubled from the previous month. [\[Full article\]](#)



Melioidosis

- **Thailand** reported 570 melioidosis cases and 45 deaths across four northeastern provinces from January 1 to October 22, 2026 (TOB News, 2026). Buri Ram recorded 245 cases and 12 deaths, Surin 139 and 11, Nakhon Ratchasima 136 and 17, and Chaiyaphum 50 and five. Adults aged 65 years and older were most affected. Authorities advised avoiding contaminated soil and water and using protective equipment. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- The **Philippines**: The Department of Health (DOH) reported 13,530 leptospirosis cases as of October 14, 2026, a 47% increase from 9,188 cases in 2025 (The Star, 2026). The case fatality rate decreased from 10.37% to 5.41%, while areas with increased cases declined from 46 to six provinces and highly urbanized cities. Authorities advised avoiding floodwaters, seeking early medical consultation, and pre-positioning doxycycline in high-risk areas. [[Full article](#)]

Meningococcal Disease

- **Viet Nam**: Ho Chi Minh City confirmed group B meningococcal infection in a 12-year-old male student from Thuong Tan commune (HCDC, 2026). Symptoms began on October 13, and laboratory confirmation followed admission on October 15. The patient improved with treatment. Authorities identified 99 close contacts, administered azithromycin, disinfected relevant locations, and initiated 10-day monitoring. [[Full article](#)]

Rabies

- **Malaysia** reported seven rabies deaths as of October 12, 2026, including six in Sarawak and one in Kedah (Free Malaysia Today, 2026). Victims included males aged 10, 31, and 44 years, with infections linked to bites from stray or pet dogs. From 2017 to October 12, 2026, Malaysia recorded 97 cases and 90 deaths. Control measures included dog vaccination, sterilization, and stray dog removal. [[Full article](#)]

Global Situation

Ebola

- **Kenya**: The Ministry of Health has reported nine confirmed cases of Ebola (Bundibugyo virus disease) on October 20, 2026, including one death (Ministry of Health Kenya, 2026). The ninth case involved a 24-year-old close family contact confirmed during quarantine. Eight surviving patients were stable and improving. Authorities traced and quarantined 134 of 135 contacts and strengthened infection control and supply distribution. [[Full article](#)]



Anthrax

- **Italy:** Prato, Tuscany reported a suspected anthrax case involving a man recently returned from Zambia, where an outbreak had been reported (La Nazione 2026). The patient presented with fever, dyspnoea, and diarrhoea but was in good condition. Health personnel implemented enhanced protective measures before transferring him from the emergency department's designated hot room to Careggi Hospital's Infectious Diseases unit for diagnostic testing. [[Full article](#)]

Chikungunya

- **India:** Delhi, National Capital Territory of Delhi (NCT), reported 29 chikungunya cases in October 2026, according to a report dated October 21 (Univarta, 2026). Opposition leaders alleged that authorities had implemented inadequate disease prevention measures. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **Bangladesh:** The Directorate General of Health Services reported 1,512 new dengue hospitalisations and four deaths in the 24 hours before October 22, 2026, bringing annual totals to 118,502 cases and 368 deaths (Daily Sun, 2026). Two deaths occurred in Mymensingh, with one each in Dhaka North and South. Men accounted for 62.1% of infections. [[Full article](#)]
- **Pakistan:** Khyber Pakhtunkhwa reported 99 new dengue cases in on October 22, bringing this month's cases to 1,510 (The Express Tribune, 2026, 2026). The cumulative total reached 4,091 cases and one death, with 144 active cases. Kohat recorded 975 October cases, followed by Peshawar with 209. Authorities advised eliminating mosquito breeding sites, covering water containers, and seeking prompt medical care for symptoms. [[Full article](#)]
- The **United States (US):** Florida reported 745 dengue cases so far in 2026, including 425 locally acquired infections, prompting the CDC to activate a Level 3 emergency response (MedPage Today, 2026). The CDC also deployed an Epi-Aid team to support a dengue outbreak in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Authorities advised mosquito-bite prevention and vector control. [[Full article](#)]

Legionellosis

- **Austria:** Innsbruck reported 23 Legionella infections and three deaths so far in 2026 (VOL.AT, 2026). Cases were concentrated in eastern Innsbruck. Authorities inspected and cleaned public facilities, while a nursing home disinfected its water system. Residents were advised to maintain hot-water temperatures. [[Full article](#)]

Malaria

- **India:** East Singhbhum District, Jharkhand reported five malaria cases and one death in a village, Dumaria block on October 21–22, 2026 (The Times of India, 2026). A 13-year-old boy died from Plasmodium falciparum malaria on October 21, followed by four cases involving three women and one man. A 10-member health team was deployed to screen residents and investigate the infection source. [[Full article](#)]



Delhi, National Capital Territory of Delhi (NCT), reported 23 malaria cases during the first week of October 2026, bringing the annual total to 266 cases (The Tribune India, 2026). West Delhi, Central Zone, and Shahdara North were identified as areas with high concentrations of vector-borne diseases. Authorities were urged to intensify cleaning drives, remove stagnant water, and conduct citywide fogging. [\[Full article\]](#)

- **Republic of Korea (ROK):** Paju City, Gyeonggi Province reported 68 malaria cases so far in 2026, a 42% decrease from 118 cases in 2025 (Joongboo Ilbo, 2026). Authorities implemented joint civilian, private-sector, and military vector control, including residual spraying and mist disinfection. Residents were advised to use repellents, wear long sleeves at night, eliminate standing water, and seek medical care for fever. [\[Full article\]](#)

Measles

- **Bangladesh** reported 36 new confirmed measles cases, 995 children with measles symptoms, and two additional deaths among symptomatic children in the 24 hours ending October 22, 2026 (NTV, 2026). Since March 15, totals reached 23,248 confirmed cases, 217,760 suspected cases, and 1,207 deaths, including 104 confirmed measles deaths and 1,103 deaths among children with measles symptoms. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Pakistan:** Lower South Waziristan District, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province, reported 13 measles cases at the District Headquarters Hospital on October 19–20, 2026 (Dawn, 2026). Five days earlier, twin siblings reportedly died of measles in Santoi, Shakai tehsil. Health authorities deployed teams to strengthen prevention, while residents raised concerns about hospital facilities and access to treatment. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Russia Federation:** Moscow reported one measles case involving a student at Lomonosov Moscow State University on October 21, 2026 (RIA Novosti, 2026). Rospotrebnadzor launched an epidemiological investigation and ordered the university to implement control measures. The Faculty of Law temporarily shifted to remote learning to comply with sanitary and epidemiological safety requirements. [\[Full article\]](#)
- The **United States (US):** Medina County, Ohio, reported 18 measles cases since October 9, 2026, including three confirmed and 15 probable cases (Akron Beacon Journal, 2026). The cases involved a small group of families reportedly following isolation precautions. The Medina County Health Department is contacting affected individuals to identify potential public exposures. [\[Full article\]](#)

Pennsylvania reported 31 new measles cases from October 19 – 21, 2026, bringing the total to 1,317 across 43 counties as of October 21, 2026 (U.S. News & World Report, 2026). The outbreak resulted in 251 hospitalizations and five deaths, with four cases among vaccinated individuals. The CDC planned to deploy additional support for outbreak investigations, including in newly affected Washington County. [\[Full article\]](#)

Kentucky reported 17 new measles cases, bringing the 2026 total to 174, including 170 outbreak-linked cases and 10 hospitalisations as of October 19 (Medical Daily, 2026). Christian County reported 53 cases, Trigg 31, Caldwell seven, and Laurel 56. Most outbreak cases involved unvaccinated individuals or those with unknown vaccination status. [\[Full article\]](#)



DuPage County, Illinois, reported its first measles case of 2026, involving a vaccinated resident who developed the infection after international travel (FOX 32 Chicago, 2026). Health authorities coordinated with healthcare and public health partners to identify exposed individuals. [\[Full article\]](#)

Mpox

- **Pakistan:** Sindh Province reported two new mpox cases in Karachi in mid-October 2026, bringing the total to 95 cases and 11 deaths (Express News, 2026). The patients, a 21-year-old man and a 23-year-old woman, were diagnosed by Dow University's Provincial Public Health Laboratory and treated at Sindh Infectious Disease Hospital. Authorities advised avoiding close contact and maintaining hand hygiene. [\[Full article\]](#)

Rabies

- **Pakistan:** Punjab reported its third rabies-related death in October, involving a 70-year-old man from Jaranwala who died at Mayo Hospital (The Express Tribune, 2026). Bitten by a dog approximately two months earlier, he was transferred from Nankana Sahib District Headquarters Hospital on October 17 following deterioration. Authorities promoted vaccination, prompt treatment, public awareness, and stray dog management. [\[Full article\]](#)

West Nile Virus (WNV)

- **Netherlands:** The National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM) reported eight new WNV infections in the past week, bringing the cumulative total to 72 cases (AIF, 2026). Across Europe, nearly 1,600 infections had been recorded since the beginning of the season as of late September. [\[Full article\]](#)

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