



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

COVID-19

- **Thailand:** The Department of Disease Control reported 99,691 COVID-19 cases and 15 deaths so far in 2026, with a case fatality rate of 0.02%. Omicron NB.1.8.1 accounted for 524 cases, with no evidence of increased disease severity (Department of Disease Control, Thailand Ministry of Public Health, 2026). Authorities advised symptomatic individuals to rest, reduce close contact, and follow respiratory infection prevention measures. [[Full article](#)]

Nang Rong District Prison, Buriram Province, detected COVID-19 infections among newly admitted inmates through antigen rapid diagnostic testing (ATK) on August 30, 2026 (Thairath, 2026). Visits to relatives in Zones 1 and 1st were suspended from August 31–September 30. Inmates are receiving medical care, with enhanced quarantine, surveillance, and outbreak-control measures implemented. [[Full article](#)]

- **Viet Nam:** Hanoi reported 53 COVID-19 cases during August 21–28, 2026, bringing the total to 1,577 cases since the beginning of 2026, with no deaths reported (Kenh14, 2026). In response, the Hanoi CDC organized a mobile team on standby for disease prevention and control, ready to respond to any emerging disease outbreaks. [[Full article](#)]

Dengue

- **Indonesia:** Sukabumi Municipality, West Java Province reported 402 dengue cases from January – August 2026, including 83 during July–August, with no deaths reported (Sukabumi Update, 2026). In response, the Health Office promoted mosquito-nest eradication, weekly larval monitoring, and free dengue examinations at 15 health centres. [[Full article](#)]

A Regional General Hospital in **PALI Municipality**, South Sumatera Province, treated 56 dengue patients since July, bringing the January – August total to 135, up from 93 during the same period in 2025 (Tribun Palembang, 2026). Most patients were children and school-age adolescents. The Health Office promoted control measures, targeted fogging, school outreach, and early medical consultation. [[Full article](#)]



Bontang Municipality, East Kalimantan Province, reported 15 dengue cases across eight urban villages in August 2026, bringing the year-to-date total to 139 cases and one death (Bontang Post, 2026). Authorities urged mosquito-breeding-site control and noted that fogging targets only adult mosquitoes. [\[Full article\]](#)

- The **Philippines**: Manila reported 24 new dengue cases on August 31, 2026 (Philippine Daily Inquirer, 2026). The Manila Public Information Office urged residents to maintain proper hygiene and seek prompt medical attention if symptoms develop. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Thailand** reported 21,620 dengue cases and 31 deaths from January 1 – August 19, 2026, including 1,785 cases and four deaths in Bangkok (Hfocus, 2026). Authorities intensified surveillance and response through case finding, mosquito-control measures, community screening, and public prevention campaigns. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Viet Nam**: Quynh Anh Commune, Nghe An Province, reported 49 dengue cases as of September 1, 2026 (Bao Nghe An, 2026). Thirty patients were hospitalized and 19 recovered. Authorities strengthened surveillance, case management, environmental sanitation, mosquito control, and community communication. [\[Full article\]](#)

HIV/AIDS

- **Indonesia**: Banjar Municipality, West Java Province, reported 22 newly identified HIV/AIDS cases so far in 2026 through voluntary testing at health facilities and community screening (News Tasikmalaya, 2026). Authorities strengthened health education, early testing, stigma reduction, and collaboration with health services and media, while promoting free voluntary counselling and testing (VCT). [\[Full article\]](#)

Leptospirosis

- The **Philippines** reported 5,835 leptospirosis cases and 358 deaths so far in 2026, with the highest case counts in the National Capital Region, Central Luzon, and Cagayan Valley (Philstar, 2026). Cases increased 29% over the preceding two weeks amid flooding and the southwest monsoon. Authorities advised avoiding floodwaters, washing after exposure, seeking early medical care, and strengthening prevention measures in public schools. [\[Full article\]](#)

Manila reported four new leptospirosis cases on August 31, 2026, bringing the total to 556 cases (Philippine Daily Inquirer, 2026). The Manila Public Information Office urged residents to maintain proper hygiene and seek prompt medical attention if symptoms develop. [\[Full article\]](#)

Baguio City, Benguet Province, reported 16 leptospirosis cases so far in 2026, including four deaths in June and August (Philippine News Agency, 2026). The deaths occurred among men aged 24 – 31 years; one case was laboratory-confirmed and three were clinically diagnosed based on symptoms and floodwater or mud exposure. Authorities advised prompt medical care for exposed residents and high-risk workers and provided doxycycline prophylaxis following exposure assessment. [\[Full article\]](#)



Malaria

- **Indonesia:** Gorontalo Province reported 5,114 malaria cases and 17 deaths as of September 1, 2026, more than twice the 2,347 cases reported in 2025 (Dinas Kesehatan Provinsi Gorontalo, 2026). Cases were associated with mining areas, environmental conditions, and imported infections. Recommended measures include case finding, free testing and treatment, drug controls, community education, and environmental management. [\[Full article\]](#)

Bengkulu Province reported three malaria imported cases so far in 2026, including two in Rejang Lebong and one in Bengkulu, down from 11 cases in 2025 (RRI, 2026). The Provincial Health Office continues surveillance, early detection, and prompt treatment, particularly among travellers from malaria-endemic areas, to prevent re-establishment of local transmission. [\[Full article\]](#)

Pertussis

- **Viet Nam:** Hanoi reported two new pertussis cases from August 21 to 28, 2026, bringing the total to 103 cases since the beginning of the year, with no deaths reported (Kenh14, 2026). The Hanoi CDC continues to strengthen surveillance and early case detection in the community and health-care facilities as part of ongoing outbreak prevention and control efforts. [\[Full article\]](#)

Global Situation

Dengue

- **India:** Kollam District, Kerala, reported 28 new confirmed dengue cases during Onam week among 1,792 people seeking fever treatment at government hospitals, with 56 additional patients presenting dengue symptoms (Madhyamam, 2026). On August 23, five cases were confirmed, while 11 of 83 patients seeking treatment had dengue symptoms. Health authorities urged intensified source reduction and mosquito control. [\[Full article\]](#)

Leptospirosis

- **China:** A 20-year-old man in Hunan Province developed severe leptospirosis after working barefoot in a rice field with a foot abrasion (Nguoi Dua Tin, 2026). He developed high fever, thrombocytopenia, pulmonary haemorrhage, and multiorgan failure. His condition improved following intensive care. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **India:** Ranchi District, Jharkhand, reported more than 130 confirmed leptospirosis cases since July, amid heavy rainfall and waterlogging (TV9 Hindi, 2026). Authorities advised avoiding potentially contaminated water, covering wounds, using protective equipment, and seeking prompt medical evaluation. [\[Full article\]](#)



Measles

- **Sweden:** One measles case was reported in a preschool employee in Umeå, Västerbotten (Omni, 2026). Extensive contact tracing is ongoing, with no additional cases reported from the preschool, which remains open. Region Västerbotten's communicable disease control unit advised that people who attended Klumpen preschool on Thursday or Friday last week may have been exposed. [\[Full article\]](#)
- The **United States (US):** Wisconsin reported 49 new measles cases, bringing the 2026 total to 110 as of September 1, compared with 61 as of August 25 (We Are Green Bay, 2026). Of the reported cases, 109 were unvaccinated and two required hospitalizations; no deaths were reported. [\[Full article\]](#)

New York reported 25 laboratory-confirmed measles cases in Upstate New York and 31 statewide, including six in New York City, as of August 30, 2026 (The Binghamton University Pipe Dream, 2026). Additional suspected cases were reported, with no measles-related deaths confirmed. Unvaccinated individuals were advised to receive MMR vaccine within 72 hours of exposure. [\[Full article\]](#)

Rabies

- **Egypt:** A 7-year-old girl from Beni Mazar, Minya Governorate, died of rabies after reported exposure approximately 20 days earlier without timely post-exposure prophylaxis (Veto Gate, 2026). She presented with severe dehydration, oral secretions, agitation, and hydrophobia. Health authorities and police were notified, and an investigation found no criminal suspicion. The body was released for burial. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **South Africa:** eThekweni Municipality reported two confirmed rabies deaths among adult men following exposure to the same dog on July 4, 2026; both died in early August (Inside Metros, 2026). A third suspected case in an elderly woman from Umnini is under investigation. Nineteen human rabies deaths have been reported since 2021. Authorities intensified surveillance, case investigations, public education, and animal vaccination, securing 5,000 additional vaccine doses. [\[Full article\]](#)

West Nile Virus (WNV)

- **Greece:** Thessaly has reported 40 West Nile virus (WNV) cases in 2026, including two deaths, prompting renewed calls for strengthened mosquito-control measures (Larissa Net, 2026). Residents are urged to use insect repellent, wear protective clothing, and eliminate standing water to reduce exposure to infected mosquitoes. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Italy:** Campania Region reported 54 WNV cases and four deaths as of August 31, 2026 (Civonline, 2026). Authorities continue surveillance, mosquito control, environmental remediation, and public prevention measures. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Spain:** Four new human WNV cases were reported in Seville and Huelva Province, bringing the total in Andalusia to 59 cases so far in 2026 (Diario Jaén, 2026). Thirty municipalities are under alert, with intensified surveillance, mosquito control, and public awareness measures. [\[Full article\]](#)



Extremadura reported two new WNV cases in a 43-year-old woman from Quintana de la Serena and a 47-year-old man from Hernán Cortés, bringing the 2026 total to 29 cases and one death has been reported (Radio Interior, 2026). Authorities continue surveillance across eight health areas and *Culex* mosquito monitoring using 11 traps. [Full article]

- The **United States (US)**: New York City reported five human WNV cases across four boroughs: Brooklyn (1), Manhattan (1), Queens (2), and Staten Island (1) (PIX11, 2026). Three patients developed neuroinvasive disease, while two had no central nervous system involvement. The Department of Health reported 1,456 positive mosquito pools and continued mosquito-control spraying and public prevention measures. [Full article]

Nebraska reported its first human WNV death in 2026 in Lancaster County, involving a person in their 60s (Nebraska Public Media, 2026). Seven cases, including four hospitalizations, were reported in the county, while 11 cases were reported statewide as of August 22. Health authorities reported very high WNV activity statewide and advised mosquito-bite prevention and removal of breeding sites. [Full article]

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