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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.

Regional Situation

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- **Viet Nam:** Hue City, Thừa Thiên Huế Province reported more than 290 HFMD cases across 35 of 40 communes and wards as of September 2026, 1.9 times the number reported during the same period in 2025 (Sức khỏe Đời sống, 2026). No deaths were reported. Hue City CDC noted increased transmission concerns as children return to school and recommended hand hygiene, clean food and living environments, and daily health monitoring in schools. [[Full article](#)]

HIV/AIDS

- **Indonesia:** Bontang District, East Kalimantan Province, reported 43 new HIV/AIDS cases as of September 2026, comprising 24 males and 19 females (Berita Borneo, 2026). From 2021–2026, Bontang recorded 441 cases; 299 people remained under intervention by the Bontang Health Office, while 142 were untraceable or had died. Limited funding, testing facilities, and centralized laboratory analysis were reported as challenges to case detection and follow-up. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- The **Philippines:** Jose B. Lingad Memorial General Hospital in Pampanga Province reported 353 leptospirosis cases and more than 10 deaths as of September 2026 amid ongoing flooding (The Manila Times, 2026). Mild cases were referred to provincial hospitals, while severe cases requiring dialysis were admitted. Around 200 villages remained flooded as of September 10. [[Full article](#)]

Tuberculosis (TB)

- **Indonesia:** Banten Province reported 33,495 detected TB cases as of September 2026, representing 66% of the estimated 50,750 cases targeted for detection in 2026 (Radar Banten, 2026). An estimated 17,255 cases remained undetected. The Banten Health Office continued active case finding and deployment of health workers to identify suspected TB cases, targeting detection of at least 90% of estimated cases. [[Full article](#)]



Central Lombok District, East Nusa Tenggara Province reported 17 TB cases identified during the first week of TB tracing in 2026 across three villages (Radio Republik Indonesia, 2026). The district estimated 3,712 new TB cases for 2026, with 712 detected by end-July. Tracing is integrated with the free health screening programme and will continue through November 2026. [[Full article](#)]

Global Situation

Chikungunya

- **France:** Santé publique France reported six autochthonous chikungunya transmission episodes in Nouvelle-Aquitaine in mid-September 2026 (Sud Ouest, 2026). A total of 28 cases were identified in Prignac-et-Marcamps, Gironde, while the remaining five episodes involved single cases, all in Gironde. No autochthonous chikungunya cases were reported in other areas of the region. [[Full article](#)]

Charente-Maritime Département, Nouvelle-Aquitaine Region reported an imported chikungunya case in a female student in La Rochelle following travel abroad during late summer (Sud Ouest, 2026). The student developed symptoms after returning from vacation. The departmental mosquito-control service will conduct insecticide treatment around the school during the night of September 16–17 to prevent local transmission. [[Full article](#)]

Crimean-Congo Haemorrhagic Fever (CCHF)

- **Iran:** Yazd Province reported nine confirmed CCHF cases and one death in 2026, bringing the national total to 31 confirmed cases (IRIB News, 2026). The deceased was a housewife who slaughtered sheep, handled fresh meat, and consumed it before 24 hours of refrigeration. Authorities advised obtaining meat from authorized veterinary-supervised centers and avoiding undercooked meat and liver. [[Full article](#)]
- **Iraq:** Nineveh Province reported a confirmed CCHF case in a 19-year-old man from Al-Qayyarah, south of Mosul, on September 14, 2026 (Shafaq News, 2026). Nineveh has reported 20 CCHF cases and one death in 2026. Nationally, Iraq has reported 167 cases and 11 deaths to date in 2026. [[Full article](#)]
- **Türkiye:** Çorum Province reported a CCHF-associated death in a 64-year-old woman from Alaca District following a tick bite (Yeniçağ Gazetesi, 2026). She was initially admitted to Alaca State Hospital and diagnosed with CCHF three days before her condition deteriorated. She was transferred to Hitit University Çorum Erol Olçok Training and Research Hospital but died despite treatment. Her body was buried under infection-control measures. [[Full article](#)]



Dengue

- **Bangladesh:** Manikganj District, Dhaka Division reported 36 new dengue cases in the 24 hours preceding September 15, 2026, including 23 treated at government hospitals and 13 at private facilities (Daily Inqilab, 2026). Seventy-one patients were hospitalized, while 30 recovered and were discharged. Cumulatively, 820 cases and one death have been reported this year. Health authorities continue monitoring and treatment and advised preventing stagnant water accumulation. [[Full article](#)]

Kishoreganj District, Dhaka Division reported 35 new dengue cases in the 24 hours preceding September 14, 2026; 27 patients recovered and were discharged (Daily Inqilab, 2026). The cumulative total reached 1,026 cases, with 122 patients hospitalized and no deaths reported. Health authorities and experts advised eliminating Aedes breeding sites, maintaining household cleanliness, and seeking testing and medical care for dengue symptoms, including fever. [[Full article](#)]

Khulna Division reported 290 new dengue hospitalizations in the 24 hours preceding September 15, 2026, including 217 in government and 73 in private hospitals (BSS, 2026). Three deaths were reported, bringing totals to 33 deaths and 9,399 cases since January 1. Khulna City Corporation intensified vector control, deploying 155 workers for larvicide operations, fogging 31 wards, treating WASA manholes with oil, and conducting weekly cleanliness drives. [[Full article](#)]

Leptospirosis

- **China:** Shenzhen, Guangdong Province, reported a leptospirosis case on September 14, 2026, involving a man who developed recurrent high fever after 11 days of rafting (163.com, 2026). Leptospirosis was confirmed by laboratory testing. Health authorities advised persons with skin abrasions to avoid wild water and promptly clean and disinfect after water exposure. [[Full article](#)]

Malaria

- **Germany:** Frankfurt reported two new malaria tropica cases among residents of Schwanheim, near the airport, with no travel to malaria-endemic areas or airport employment reported (Frankfurter Rundschau, 2026). The source remains under investigation. Health authorities alerted medical and infection-control services and advised symptomatic residents near the airport to seek prompt evaluation. Since early July, six airport workers have been infected, including two deaths. [[Full article](#)]
- **Taiwan (Province of China)** reported an imported *Plasmodium knowlesi* malaria case on September 15, 2026, in a woman in her 50s who travelled to Borneo, Malaysia, in late July and reported mosquito exposure (FTV News, 2026). She developed fever, chills, and abdominal pain after returning, improved following antimalarial treatment, and was discharged. The CDC advised pre-travel risk assessment and preventive medication. [[Full article](#)]



Measles

- **Japan:** Fukuoka Prefecture reported four new measles cases on September 14, 2026, bringing the total to 10 cases this year (NTV, 2026). Authorities urged vaccination and advised suspected cases to contact medical institutions and avoid public transportation. [\[Full article\]](#)
- The **United States (US):** Wisconsin reported four new measles cases during the three days before the latest update on September 15, 2026, bringing the 2026 total to 163 cases, including 155 confirmed and six probable cases in a southwestern outbreak spanning Grant, Iowa, and Lafayette counties (Medical Daily, 2026). Measles virus was detected in wastewater from all three counties. Health authorities reported local transmission and continued contact tracing. [\[Full article\]](#)

Marathon County, Wisconsin reported its first measles case of 2026, confirmed through testing at the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (We Are Green Bay, 2026). The individual was exposed while out of state, and the case was unrelated to the ongoing southwestern Wisconsin outbreak. No public exposure locations were identified. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services provided measles prevention information online. [\[Full article\]](#)

Pennsylvania reported 17 new confirmed measles cases on September 14, 2026, bringing the total to 693 cases across 38 counties, with 133 hospitalizations (Medical Daily, 2026). The Pennsylvania Department of Health maintains regular coordination with CDC staff and is evaluating additional support. CDC reported that Pennsylvania has not formally requested an Epi-Aid. The state is reviewing a possible third measles-associated death. [\[Full article\]](#)

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania reported a fourth measles-associated death on September 15, 2026, involving an unvaccinated 18-year-old who died from acute disseminated encephalomyelitis (6 abc, 2026). Health officials urged vaccination and advised symptomatic exposed persons to seek medical advice. [\[Full article\]](#)

Melioidosis

- **China:** A man with longstanding diabetes developed persistent high fever, cough, and chest pain several days after returning from Southeast Asia and was diagnosed with melioidosis at the First Affiliated Hospital of Hunan University of Chinese Medicine (China National Radio, 2026). He had received one week of intravenous treatment for pneumonia without improvement. His condition gradually improved with treatment, and he recovered. [\[Full article\]](#)

Mpox

- **Hong Kong (SAR)** reported a confirmed mpox case on September 14, 2026, involving a 31-year-old man who developed fatigue and rashes on his palms, soles, and genital area; his condition was stable (Hong Kong Commercial Daily, 2026). He reported high-risk contact with strangers overseas and in Hong Kong during the incubation period. Authorities are conducting epidemiological investigation and recommending vaccination for high-risk groups. [\[Full article\]](#)



A new mpox case was reported in **Hong Kong (SAR)** on September 15, 2026, involving a 27-year-old man who developed genital rashes and blisters, followed by fever, lymphadenopathy, and rash progression (Hong Kong China News Agency, 2026). He is receiving isolation treatment in hospital and remains stable. As of September 15, Hong Kong had reported 21 cases in 2026, including 16 local and five imported cases. The Centre for Health Protection will notify WHO and recommends vaccination for high-risk groups. [[Full article](#)]

West Nile Virus (WNV)

- **France:** Pays de la Loire reported three locally acquired WNV cases on September 11, 2026; three patients in Nantes developed WNV-associated encephalitis (Pourquoi Docteur, 2026). As of September 6, France had reported 56 locally acquired cases, including 17 reported during the previous week. Mandatory notification-based surveillance is ongoing. Authorities advised mosquito-bite prevention and elimination of stagnant water. [[Full article](#)]
- **Italy:** Calvizzano, Naples Province, reported the death of a 72-year-old woman following WNV infection (Napoli Today, 2026). The death follows a West Nile virus-associated death reported in nearby Qualiano several weeks earlier. The municipality implemented measures to protect residents. [[Full article](#)]

Pasiano, Pordenone Province, reported the death of a 68-year-old man following WNV infection acquired through a mosquito bite, with his condition deteriorating in recent days (Primorski Dnevnik, 2026). This was the first officially recorded WNV-associated death in Friuli-Venezia Giulia in 2026. The Western Friuli Health Authority confirmed the death and began assessing appropriate public health measures in the suspected infection area. [[Full article](#)]

- **Spain:** Extremadura reported two new WNV cases on September 14, 2026, involving a child under 14 and a 56-year-old man; neither required hospitalization (El Periódico Extremadura, 2026). The cumulative total reached 46 cases and two deaths, with five patients hospitalized. Health authorities strengthened surveillance and entomological monitoring and advised reducing breeding sites and preventing mosquito bites. [[Full article](#)]

Villanueva de la Serena Municipality, Badajoz Province Extremadura reported two new WNV cases involving a 40-year-old man from Salvaleón and a 58-year-old woman from; neither required hospitalization (La Razón, 2026). The cumulative total reached 48 cases and two deaths in 2026, with six patients hospitalized. Authorities advised preventing mosquito breeding and bites and urged health-area managers to maintain surveillance and strengthen diagnostic capacity. [[Full article](#)]

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