



## **Bangladesh:**

### **10 Jun, 2012: Government decides to import eggs, chicks**

The Commerce Ministry has withdrawn ban on imports of eggs and chickens. However, the government would not allow egg import from a bird flu or avian influenza prone country. [[more](#)]

## **India:**

### **12 Jun, 2012: H1N1 claimed 320 lives in State**

As many as 320 people in Karnataka have lost their lives to H1N1 (swine flu) from the time it was first detected in the country in May 2009. However, notwithstanding the measures being put in place by the State government, around 164 cases were reported this year and eight persons have lost their lives. Compared to Karnataka, Tamil Nadu reported only 24 deaths since May 2009 although as many as 3,280 cases were detected. [[more](#)]

## **Sri Lanka:**

### **08 Jun, 2012: Swine flu alert after hospital staffers infected**

The Epidemiology Unit of Sri Lanka's Health Ministry has requested the general public to be alert for the spread of influenza A H1N1, commonly known as swine flu after four staffers at a government hospital found to have been infected with the influenza A H1N1 virus. [[more](#)]

## **Neighboring countries:**

### **Iran:**

#### **10 Jun, 2012: Rising number of CCHF infections in Iranian provinces**

Since March, seven people in the country have died after contracting the Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever (CCHF). Most victims of the viral disease have been identified in the eastern provinces, but reports indicate that the virus has been detected in 27 of Iran's 31 provinces. Infected livestock entering the country through eastern borders is said to be the main cause of the outbreak. [[more](#)]

### **Others:**

#### **13 Jun, 2012: Egypt produces new avian flu vaccine**

The vaccine produced by the National Research Council research team has proved its effectiveness, reaching 95 per cent. The imported vaccine achieved an efficacy rate ranging from 20 to 25 per cent, because of the type of virus hitting poultry in Egypt and the vaccine being produced far from the local environment. The new vaccine is appropriate for the type of virus hitting the poultry wealth and could be updated to meet the modification of the virus, according to its genetic properties. [[more](#)]

#### **13 Jun, 2012: Vampire bat study may lead to better rabies-control strategies**

A new study of rabies in vampire bats in Peru has found that culling bats-a common rabies control strategy-does not reduce rates of rabies exposure in bat colonies, and may even be counterproductive. [[more](#)]

#### **08 Jun, 2012: Brucellosis outbreak in China threatens 350 Million**

An outbreak of brucellosis amongst populations of livestock all over China is now rapidly developing, with at least 350 million Chinese at risk of being infected by the disease. The growing number of human brucellosis cases indicates that the number of infected cases amongst livestock has been growing as well. [[more](#)]