



**Bangladesh:**

**24 June, 2012: 26 new Anthrax victims detected in Sirajganj**

Twenty six more Anthrax infected people have been identified at Panchil and Ultadab village under Shahzadpur Upazila in Sirajganj district in the last six days. District Sanitary Inspector confirmed yesterday. With the new ones, the number of total infected has risen to 67 in the district. [[more](#)]

**India:**

**25 June, 2012: Declaration of freedom from Avian Influenza in India**

Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Government of India has intimated OIE, declaring of freedom from Avian Influenza in India in East Garo Hills district of Meghalaya, Khordha and Mayurbhanj districts of Odisha and West Tripura and Gomati Districts of Tripura. [[more](#)]

**23 June, 2012: Action plan ready, 77 people under watch**

The health department will monitor 77 people who had come in contact with two Crimean Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF) victims. The animal husbandry department has started disinfecting cattle population in and around Khochariya in Gujarat. [[more](#)]

**22 June, 2012: Doctor dies of Congo fever after contracting the virus from patient**

A local hospital is on alert as a resident doctor died of the dreaded CCHF in Ahmedabad. [[more](#)]

**22 June, 2012: Australia to help India control rabies**

Experts from an Australian non-governmental organization will collaborate with Indian health professionals on enhancing skills to carry out anti-rabies programmes. NGO Vets Beyond Borders will provide training to Indian veterinary professionals under a programme launched June 18. [[more](#)]

**Pakistan:**

**24 June, 2012: WHO concerned over rising number of Congo fever cases**

The World Health Organization (WHO) has expressed concern over the recent outbreak of measles and CCHF, commonly known as Congo fever, in some parts of Pakistan. According to WHO's Bulletin, 22 suspected cases of CCHF were reported throughout the country, out of which 15 cases were confirmed, leading to five deaths this year. [[more](#)]

**Others:**

**27 June, 2012: FAO and OIE unveil global strategy for control of foot-and-mouth disease**

FAO and the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) are joining forces to combat foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) on a global scale, laying out a detailed strategy today to bring the devastating livestock disease under control. More than 100 countries are attending the FAO/OIE meeting in Bangkok. [[more](#)]

**27 June, 2012: Hong Kong lowers bird flu response level**

Hong Kong health authorities have lowered the region's influenza response level from 'serious' to 'alert', 21 days after a case of human avian influenza was detected. The Centre for Health Protection stepped up surveillance and began probing the source of the infection. [[more](#)]

**22 June, 2012: Studies show bird flu can become more contagious**

The bird flu virus could morph into an avatar that's even more easily transmitted among humans, and there are live examples of such viruses in nature that aren't too far away from acquiring such transmissibility, say a series of studies published in peer-reviewed journal *Science*. [[more](#)]