



India:

13 Sept: Foot and mouth disease reported from Kurung Kumey district

Outbreak of foot and mouth disease (FMD) has been reported from remote Kurung Kumey district in Arunachal Pradesh in the past several days. Reportedly six mithuns have died following the outbreak of the disease in epidemic form at Pungrung and Layang villages under Sangram circle of the district, official sources informed. The toll may increase with a number of animals, still believed to be in the jungle. [[more](#)]

11 Sept: Five suspected cases of anthrax detected

Suspected cases of Anthrax were noticed in five people in Annupuram and Karakavalasa of Jalumuru Mandal in Andhra Pradesh. The medical teams have sent the blood samples for confirmatory diagnosis as mentioned by district medical and health officer from King George Hospital in Visakhapatnam. The villagers have reportedly consumed meat of deceased goats and other animals. [[more](#)]

11 Sept: Encephalitis plays havoc in Uttar Pradesh, 275 dead

With encephalitis claiming one more life, the death toll due to the viral disease in eastern Uttar Pradesh has mounted to 275, health officials said in Gorakhpur, Utter Pradesh.. [[more](#)]

Sept 2012: SMS for Good Shepherding: Providing information when and where it is needed

Anthra (non-profit organization in Maharashtra, India) developed an innovative and simple SMS service to disseminate information regarding current diseases and remedial measures, including herbal and ethno-veterinary medicines that shepherds could easily access. Shepherds wishing to receive this information register their mobile numbers at the Anthra office, which thereafter sends fortnightly updates on probable seasonal diseases, symptoms, remedies and precautions that shepherds can take to prevent the outbreak and spread of disease amongst their flocks. [[more](#)]

Others:

Avian influenza: New bird flu strain develops unexpectedly in Viet Nam

A new bird flu strain is developing unexpectedly in Viet Nam and causing great concern to the government and public. According to the National Animal Health Diagnosis Center, the new strain of bird flu virus, which is suspected to have higher risk of causing human death than previously known ones, appeared in July and widely spread in August in Viet Nam's seven central and Northern provinces. [[more](#)]

Model to track wild birds for avian influenza (AI) by means of population dynamics and surveillance information

The purpose of this study was to construct a complementary tool to track those avian subpopulations at high risk of contacting any AI subtype at a given location and point in time, according to avian population dynamics and AIV occurrence. The model was based on the Monte-Carlo method and integrated information about the distribution, behavior and affinity patterns of waterfowl populations living in this wetland. [[more](#)]