



### BANGLADESH

#### 25 Feb 2013: Infant dies from nipah virus

A 45-day-old boy infected with Nipah virus died on Saturday night while undergoing treatment at Rajshahi Medical College and Hospital. The victim had been suffering from high fever for the last few days. The hospital sources said another patient age of 60, died from Nipah virus on Friday. With the two, a total of nine among 13 patients had died from the virus since this January. [read more](#)

### BHUTAN

#### 24 Feb 2013: Mass deaths of pigeons not caused by bird flu

The recent mass deaths of pigeons in and around Thimphu are not due to bird flu, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forests confirms. 162 dead pigeons from various areas in Thimphu were tested at the National Centre for Animal Health, and samples were also referred to the High Security Animal Disease Laboratory in Bhopal, India. The results show that the mass deaths have occurred due to mixed bacterial (E.Coli and Salmonella) and parasitic (Coccidiosis and Ascariidiosis) infection. [read more](#)

### INDIA

#### 23 Feb 2013: Bird flu alert in Odisha

The Odisha government has alerted all its district authorities after a swab sample collected from some migratory birds in Chilika lake tested positive for bird flu at High Security Animal Disease Laboratory in Bhopal. The 1,000 sq km Chilika lake, is spreading over the districts of Puri, Khordha and Ganjam along the eastern coast and is home to some of the largest congregations of migratory birds in the country. Every year, about a million birds from places as far as Siberia, Iran, Iraq and Afghanistan come to the lake in October and return in March. [read more](#)

### NEPAL

#### 25 Feb 2013: Siberia birds bring bird flu

Director at the Department of Livestock Service (DoLS), has said the Siberian birds coming to Nepal in the cold season have transmitted the bird flu to the fowls here. Siberian birds of some 800 species that wander for three months in Nepal's national parks and ponds spread the flu in domestic fowls of Nepal. Ducks are the first victims of flu from the Siberian birds. The disease gradually spreads to other domestic birds. However, the wandering birds and ducks are not affected with the bird flu virus. Reasoning this, he suggested the farmers not to keep the duck and chicken together. [read more](#)

### PAKISTAN

#### 13 Feb 2013: One new suspected case of crimean congo hemorrhagic fever (CCHF)

In week 6, 2013, 1 new CCHF case reported from ICT, bringing the total number of CCHF cases to 3 for the year 2013. A 26 year old female patient admitted at the PIMS hospital in Islamabad as a suspected case of CCHF. Laboratory results confirmed the case positive for CCHF. The epidemiological investigation revealed history of Fever with rash later on developed gum bleeding and brought to PIMS hospital. Currently the patient is stable with all vital signs within the normal range. [read more](#)

### OTHERS

#### 21 Feb 2013: Saudi Arabia reports new coronavirus case, marking 13th confirmed infection

Saudi Arabia has discovered another infection with the novel coronavirus, the World Health Organization announced Thursday. The infected person was hospitalized in late January and died on Feb. 10, but confirmation of the infection was only made Feb. 18, the WHO said in a statement. Further investigation of the new case is underway. To date, cases have been linked to three countries in the Middle East, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Jordan. The new case is the 13th confirmed infection and seventh death caused by the new coronavirus. In addition, there are nearly a dozen cases the WHO considers "probable" infections people who were exposed to cases and who later became sick but who were not tested or weren't tested in time. If an infected person had recovered from the illness, current tests which look for virus DNA in mucus would not find evidence of infection. Some laboratories are working to develop a blood test that will detect antibodies to the virus. [read more](#)

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