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BANGLADESH

8 April 2013: Seventh H5N1 human case in Bangladesh

A one-year 11 months old male child from Chauddogram, Comilla, died on 18 February 2013. This is the first human death case of H5N1 in Bangladesh and the seventh confirmed case of human Influenza A(H5N1). The diagnosis was made based on real time RT-PCR. [read more](#)

9 April 2013: Anthrax in Sirajganj

At least one more person was confirmed and four others were suspected to be infected with anthrax in Shahzadpur upazila of Sirajganj, local health officials confirmed. [read more](#)

BHUTAN

5 April 2013: Rabies positive cases in Phuentsholing Town

There are sporadic cases of rabies in Phuentsholing Town as per the follow up report received from the Satellite Veterinary Laboratory (SVL), Phuentsholing on 3 April 2013. As per the initial investigation, there were three suspected rabid dogs. [read more](#)

NEPAL

6 April 2013: Bird flu hits Taplejung

Hundreds of diseased fowls were culled in eastern hilly district headquarter, Phungling following an outbreak of bird flu. According to the sources at the Taplejung district livestock office, about 640 fowls from as many as 19 houses in Phungling, were culled after confirmation of H5N1 virus. [read more](#)

8 April 2013: Bird flu detected in three places in Jhapa

Bird flu was detected at Mechinagar, Chandragadhi and Kumarkhod in Jhapa district. According to chief of the district livestock office Jhapa, bird flu was confirmed after the sample from dead fowls sent to the Central Veterinary Laboratory, Tripureswor, Kathmandu on March 30 tested positive for bird flu. [read more](#)

10 April 2013: Jhapa bird flu in 2 more places

The district livestock service office (Jhapa) has confirmed **bird flu** at two more places in Jhapa district. With this, avian influenza has been detected at six places in the district within the past eight days. [read more](#)

INFLUENZA A(H7N9)

5 April 2013: Strong biosecurity measures required in response to influenza A(H7N9) virus

FAO is supporting China and neighbouring countries in disease detection and animal health management. Responding to the occurrence of the A(H7N9) influenza virus in China requires strong biosecurity measures, FAO said. [read more](#)

10 April 2013: China eyes birds as H7N9 source as human cases rise to 33

Five more A(H7N9) influenza infections have been confirmed in eastern China, all in older adults, while suspicions grow that wild birds may be the source and that the disease might be spreading to people through poultry environments. [read more](#)

11 April 2013: H7N9 Bird flu cases rise to 33, deaths reach nine in China

Five new cases of the deadly bird flu H7N9 were found in China yesterday, increasing the total in the country to 33, the state-run Shanghai Daily Newspaper reported today. Nine people have died to date. [read more](#)

OTHERS

28 March 2013: More dangerous than SARS: Scientists warn of deadly new coronavirus

The new coronavirus, which has already killed 11 people, appears to be deadlier than SARS, Chinese scientists have said. The new virus, originating in the Middle East, can affect many different organs and kill cells more rapidly than SARS. [read more](#)