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BANGLADESH

20 April 2013: WHO test confirms bird flu death in human in Bangladesh

The Institute of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Research in Dhaka has reported the first bird flu death in five years after the human infection of H5N1 virus had been detected in Bangladesh. The agency that received the test report from the Centre for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, a WHO reference laboratory. [read more](#)

21 April 2013: Nipah virus has killed more than 80 percent of cases infected in 2013

Bangladesh has reported 24 Nipah virus cases from 13 different districts in 2013, of which 21 cases have died. The age distribution of cases is from 8 months to 60 years. Sixteen cases are male and eight are females. [read more](#)

INDIA

24 April 2013: Swine fever confirmed in Imphal, Manipur

The unknown disease which infected pigs from Heingang Awang Leikai has been confirmed as swine fever by Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Department. [read more](#)

22 April 2013: Anthrax claims one, affects 20 in a Koraput village

One person died of anthrax and 20 others were affected in Jadidhara village of Chipakur gram panchayat under Boipariguda block in Koraput district of Odisha. The villagers have fallen ill after consuming half-boiled meat of an anthrax affected buffalo. [read more](#)

NEPAL

21 April 2013: Bird flu confirmed in Chitwan poultry farm

The highly pathogenic avian flu (H5N1) virus has been detected at one of the biggest poultry farms in Godrang of Bharatpur Chitwan. About 30,000 of the 70,000 birds have died of virus. Rapid response team swung into action to curb spread. [read more](#)

AVIAN INFLUENZA A(H7N9) VIRUS

24 April 2013: Follow-up report No. 5 -Low pathogenic avian influenza (poultry), China (People's Rep. of)

On 24 April 2013 Dr Zhang Zhongqui, Director General, China Animal Disease Control Centre, Veterinary Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Beijing, China (People's Rep. of) informed OIE.. [read more](#)

24 April 2013: China confirms 108 H7N9 cases, 22 deaths

With four new cases of human avian influenza A(H7N9), China has confirmed 108 cases and 22 deaths. [read more](#)

24 April 2013: Taiwan finds first Bird Flu Infection outside China in traveler

Taiwan confirmed an H7N9 bird flu infection in a Taiwanese traveler from China, demonstrating the risk of the killer virus entering cities outside the mainland. A 53-year-old Taiwanese man tested positive for avian flu after a business trip to the eastern city of Suzhou and returning to Taiwan via Shanghai. [read more](#)

12 April 2013: FAO expert teams analysing avian influenza A(H7N9) virus for enhanced detection and management

On 31 March the Chinese authorities announced the identification in humans of a new strain of avian influenza virus: A(H7N9). While other H7 viruses have been widely reported around the globe in domestic and wild birds, the recent event in China represents the first time this A(H7N9) virus has been reported in humans and poultry. No human-to-human transmission has yet been confirmed. FAO is working intensively through an incident team based in the FAO China office and thematic expert teams at headquarters. The focus is on better understanding this new virus, how to detect it and what level of threat it could pose to animal populations. [read more](#)