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BANGLADESH

20 June 2013: New anthrax cases in Meherpur and Sirajganj districts

Anthrax outbreaks continue in Bangladesh: IEDCR has reported new outbreaks of cutaneous anthrax from Gangni Upazila of Meherpur district and Shahjadpur Upazila of Sirajganj district. Nineteen cases from Gangni and four cases from Shahjadpur are reported. Till to date, 105 cases have reported during 2013 of which 41 cases are reported since 01 June. [read more](#)

BHUTAN

20 June 2013: Rabies outbreak in Phuentsholing geog, Chukha district

Rabies outbreak was reported on 12 June 2013 at Lower Toribari village under Phuentsholing geog, Chukha. Although no cases were identified in dogs, one cattle was infected and confirmed positive to rabies virus by rapid antigen detection test as well as FAT. Domestic dogs are the main source of rabies in the south bordering areas of Bhutan. [read more](#)

INDIA

26 June 2013: Porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome (PRRS) outbreak in Mizoram

PRRS outbreak was reported from regional pig breeding farm in Selesih, Aizawal, Mizoram. The outbreak started on 18/03/2013 and ten deaths have been reported out of the 57 cases. The outbreak was confirmed initially as classical swine fever. Samples were sent to the High Security Animal Disease Laboratory, Bhopal. The presence of PRRS virus was also diagnosed. Since this is the first time that porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome is identified in the country, the reason for notification as first occurrence applies to the country but the event is in fact circumscribed to a zone. [read more](#)

OTHERS

26 June 2013: Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) - update

The Ministry of Health (MoH) in Saudi Arabia has announced seven additional laboratory-confirmed cases and a death in a previously confirmed case of Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV). Four cases have been detected among contacts of confirmed cases in Riyadh and the Eastern Region. Globally, from September 2012 to date, WHO has been informed of a total of 77 laboratory-confirmed cases of infection with MERS-CoV, including 40 deaths. [read more](#)

26 June 2013: Shanghai reports 1 H7N9 death

A fifty six year old man died early Wednesday morning from H7N9 strain of bird flu in east China's Shanghai Municipality on Wednesday, the Shanghai Municipal Health and Family Planning Commission said. Shanghai has so far reported 33 human infections. Fifteen of these patients have made full recoveries and been discharged from hospitals, 16 died and the remaining two are still being treated, the commission said. [read more](#)