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BANGLADESH

31 July 2013: 18 cattle die of unknown disease in a farm in Pabna district

An unknown disease has claimed the lives of 18 cattle in Ishwardi military dairy farm in a span of two days. Of the cattle, 13 died on Sunday and the rest five on Monday, confirmed Ishwardi upazila livestock officer. Sources at the farm run by the army said 32 cattle were identified as sick. The affected cattle first stopped eating and felt drowsiness and died within four to five hours.

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INDIA

30 July 2013: Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever - (Gujarat), human deaths

In the Amreli district 6 human cases of Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever (CCHF) were confirmed (2 deaths) between 23 Jun 2013 and 10 Jul 2013. Several cattle, goats, and sheep were found positive for CCHF as well. All cases occurred among [the] cattle grazing-community living in houses with mounds of cow dung and other garbage nearby. Cattle were living along with humans.

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NEPAL

01 Aug 2013: Kathmandu valley may see chicken supply ban

The Department of Livestock Services (DLS) on Wednesday recommended the district livestock service office of Kathmandu, Bhaktapur and Lalitpur, to impose a ban on poultry products. The move follows confirmation of the H5N1 strain of bird flu in many poultry farms in Bhaktapur district. In a meeting held on Wednesday, the DLS recommended the chiefs of three district offices in Kathmandu valley to activate clause 15 of the Animal Health and Livestock Services Act-1999. [read more](#)

28 July 2013: Bird flu outbreak in Pokhara, Kaski district

Veterinary technicians have culled 27 chickens here at a Lamachaur-based poultry farm following the confirmation of a bird flu outbreak, on Sunday. According to district livestock services office, Kaski, they destroyed the bird flu tainted chickens after the Kathmandu-based central animal health laboratory confirmed bird flu virus at his farm. Earlier, the poultry farm owner, had informed the district veterinary office as the layer chickens which had been brought from Chitwan started to die. [read more](#)

27 July 2013: Bird flu outbreak confirmed in Bhaktapur district

Chickens detected with bird-flu in a poultry breeding farm at Sipadole-9 of Bhaktapur are being culled since Saturday morning. According to the Directorate of Animal Health (DAH), Tripureswor, 4,500 chickens being reared at the poultry farm have been culled. [read more](#)

26 July 2013: Capital Kathmandu sees three bird flu outbreaks

A total of three bird flu outbreaks have been confirmed in Kathmandu Valley. According to chief at district livestock services, Kathmandu, the bird flu outbreak confirmed on Thursday at Ramkot-based poultry of farm, Kirtipur-based poultry farm and Mahadevsthan of Thankot VDC. Currently the response team has culled the poultry in these farms. A team has also been mobilized to destroy some 25 to 30 local chickens infected with bird flu at Mahadevstan area of Thankot VDC. [read more](#)

OTHERS

24 July 2013: Raccoon rabies virus variant transmission through solid organ transplantation

The rabies virus causes a fatal encephalitis and can be transmitted through tissue or organ transplantation. In February 2013, a kidney recipient with no reported exposures to potentially rabid animals died from rabies 18 months after transplantation. Unlike the 2 previous clusters of rabies virus transmission through solid organ transplantation, there was a long incubation period in the recipient who developed rabies, and survival of 3 other recipients without pre-transplant rabies vaccination. Rabies should be considered in patients with acute progressive encephalitis of unexplained etiology, especially for potential organ donors.

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