

# ECTAD South Asia Weekly Animal Disease E-Information

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## 16 Dec 2013, Rome, FAO: World livestock report elaborates on today's changing disease landscapes

Seventy-percent of new diseases that have emerged in humans over recent decades are of animal origin and, in part, directly related to the human quest for more animal-sourced food.

The following interview given by **Dr Juan Lubroth** is the Chief Veterinary Officer at FAO elaborates on the range of diseases referred to in the report, and what actions are needed to control such diseases. [Click audio clip](#)

## BHUTAN

### 28 Dec 2013: FMD outbreak in Wangdue Dzongkhag

A foot and mouth disease (FMD) outbreak was reported in Chabakha village Neysho Geog under Wangdi Dzongkhag on 28 December 2013. As per the investigation report carried by Regional Livestock Development Center (RLDC) and Dzongkhag Livestock Sector Wangdue, a total of 10 cattle were affected in five households with no mortality. The report also states that the animals were brought from the forest a month back for winter crop cultivation. [Read more](#)

## INDIA

### 07 Jan 2014: FMD toll at 4,705, more than 50,000 head of cattle affected in Kerala

A foot and mouth disease (FMD) outbreak in Kerala has claimed the lives of 4,705 head of cattle across the State and affected 51,581 head of animals since August last year, the state assembly has been informed. Ring vaccination is being carried out in the areas around the affected locations and diseased animals are being treated free of cost. Experts from the Southern Regional Disease Diagnostic Laboratory at Bangalore and the All India Coordinated Research Project on FMD have confirmed that the "O" strain of the virus is responsible for the outbreak. [Read more](#)

## NEPAL

### 08 Jan 2014: Government of Nepal pays NPR 231.7m in bird flu compensation

The government of Nepal has provided a total of NPR 231.7 (1US\$=99.5 NPR) million in compensation to poultry farmers affected by bird flu this year. The 12 districts including 3 districts from Kathmandu Valley were affected during mid July to mid September. [Read more](#)

### 03 Jan 2013: Highly pathogenic avian influenza: Follow-up report No. 14 (Final report)

Department of Livestock Services has sent the final HPAI follow up report to OIE on 03/01/2014. There are no new outbreaks in the report. The event is resolved. The immediate notification of HPAI outbreak was sent on 27/08/2012 to OIE.

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## PAKISTAN

### 06 Jan 2014: Restoration of poultry export after bird flu

After nearly waiting for eight years, Pakistan got a green signal from Saudi Arabia that it would restore the import of poultry products from Pakistan. Saudi Arabia had suspended import of hatching eggs and day old chicks from Pakistan after an outbreak during 2005 – 2006. The delegation also visited National Reference Laboratory for Poultry Diseases and National Veterinary Laboratory, Islamabad and expressed satisfaction over their standard. [Read more](#)

## OTHERS

### 08 Jan 2014: China reports first 2014 H7N9 bird flu death

China has reported its first death from the A(H7N9) bird flu virus in 2014 after a significant drop-off in fatalities following last year's outbreaks. A patient in the southern province of Guangdong died of the disease on Monday, the provincial health authority said on its website Tuesday. [Read more](#)

### 02 Jan 2014: The OIE launches WAHIS-Wild Interface, A new application providing information about wild animal diseases

The World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) announces the public release of a newly developed web application named WAHIS-Wild Interface, available on its [website](#). This interface contains information on non OIE-listed diseases of wild animals, collected annually on a voluntary basis by the Member Countries. [Read more](#)