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INDIA

6 Jul 2014: 'Notified disease' tag for rabies in Mysore?

Health and Family Welfare Minister said on Saturday that the state will declare rabies as a notified disease and request the Centre to do so as well. He was speaking at the inauguration of 'APCRICON 14', the 16th national conference of the Association for Prevention and Control of Rabies in India. The Minister said there will be more awareness about the disease and specific authorities can be held responsible in case there is an increase in the number of rabies patients if it is declared as a notified disease. [read more](#)

4 Jul 2014: Japanese encephalitis claims three in Barpeta district of Assam

A pregnant woman died today due to Japanese encephalitis, taking the toll to three so far in Barpeta district. The woman from Bhella village was admitted at Gauhati Medical College and Hospital a few days ago and died this morning an official said. So far, around 20 persons have been affected by Japanese encephalitis across the district. [read more](#)

2 Jul 2014: Seven die of flu in Udupi in Karnataka state

Udupi District Health and Family Welfare Officer said that 22 cases of the influenza were reported in Udupi taluk, of which four had died, of the three cases reported in Karakala one had died and of the 15 cases reported in Kundapur, two had died. The district had adequate stock of medicines to tackle the disease and directed the heads of various private medical institutions to inform the department as soon as a case of H1N1 was detected, he said in a statement here. [read more](#)

NEPAL

2 Jul 2014: Dog rampage injures 12 in Ramechhap district

At least 12 people were injured when a stray dog bit them at separate wards in Manthali district headquarters on Monday. Some livestock in the area were also reportedly attacked. Chief of District Health Office in Ramechhap said the health office has provided the wards with anti-rabies vaccines and injections after the incident, assuring that the medicines will reach Wamti VDC by Monday evening. [read more](#)

2 Jul 2014: Anti-rabies vaccination drive

In mid-July, all the stray dogs of 12 districts of the country will get rabies vaccines. The Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) under the Health Ministry said that the 12 districts were chosen according to the prevalence of rabies cases. These districts; Jhapa, Saptari, Siraha, Rautahat, Chitwan, Rupendehi, Banke, Kailali, Kanchanpur, Dailekh, Kaski and Bhaktapur will get the vaccination while Ramechhap and Achham have been proposed for the next year.. [read more](#)

PAKISTAN

5 Jul 2014: Man from Chakwal district of Punjab dies of CCHF

National Institute of Health (NIH) on Friday declared a 32 years old patient, resident of Talagang, Chakwal district of Punjab, as Congo Crimean haemorrhagic fever (CCHF) case after his death at Holy Family Hospital. Director Health told that the Punjab health department had asked the district health department to take preventive measures to avoid spread of the disease. He said that the health department officials would monitor family and neighbours of the victims and immediately admit in the hospital if anyone of them develops symptoms of CCHF. He said the district health departments of all the four districts of the Rawalpindi division had been directed to create awareness of the disease among the people handling animals. [read more](#)

OTHER

4 Jul 2014: Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) – update

On 30 June and 1 July 2014, the National IHR Focal Point for Saudi Arabia reported an additional 3 laboratory-confirmed cases of infection with Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV), and a death in a previously reported case. Investigation into contacts of the patients are ongoing. In addition, an additional death in a previously laboratory-confirmed case with MERS-CoV infection has been reported. Globally, 827 laboratory-confirmed cases of infection with MERS-CoV, including at least 287 related deaths have officially been reported to WHO. [read more](#)