

South Asia Weekly Animal Disease E-Information

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INDIA

05 May 2017: Alert on Glanders disease, Utter Pradesh

The state animal husbandry department has sounded an alerted following an outbreak of glanders disease due to which, four affected horses had to be euthanized. According to animal husbandry department, four horses were put down as a precaution after laboratory tests confirmed the presence of the disease. [Read More](#)

PAKISTAN

06 May 2017: Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever (CCHF) claims another life in Quetta

A patient from Loralai's Duki area was admitted on suspicion of CCHF in Fatima Jinnah Chest Hospital Quetta passed away on 6 May 2017. The Congo virus, if it remains unnoticed, could prove to be fatal. In Pakistan, overall 11 cases of this virus have been reported in 2017, of which 4 patients recovered and 2 and one died from the confirmed and suspected virus, respectively. 5 people were discharged with no diagnosis of the illness. The which spreads from ticks or through contact with the blood or other fluids from infected animals [Read More](#)

OTHERS

05 May 2017: A(H7N9) Updates: China culls 80,000 birds in Hebei to tackle spreading A (H7N9)

China has culled 80,000 chickens in the country's north after detecting an outbreak of H7N9 bird flu on a farm of layer hens, said the agriculture ministry. Five thousand hens on the farm in Xingtai in Hebei province died in late April, said the ministry, and another 8,500 hens were infected with the disease. After confirming infection with the H7N9 virus, authorities ordered the culling of poultry. The outbreak is under control, added the statement. [Read More](#)

08 May 2017: 3rd GF-TADs Sub-regional Meeting for South Asia and the 6th SAARC CVOs Meeting, held in Thimphu, Bhutan

The 3rd Sub-regional Meeting on the Global Framework for Progressive Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases (GF-TADs) for SAARC Member States was kicked off on May 8 in Thimphu, Bhutan amidst a ceremonial function by the Royal Government of Bhutan. Jointly organized by the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE). The GF-TADs framework is a joint FAO/OIE initiative, which specifically aims at the progressive control and prevention of Transboundary Animal Diseases (TADs) by providing a global and regional platform for coordinating information sharing on a wide range of TADs control activities.

The CVO meeting was attended by the SAARC Member States, OIE and FAO. The main purpose of the meeting was to provide an opportunity to the Member States to address the high impact, zoonotic and TADs and other livestock sector developmental issues at the highest level. This meeting also appraised the importance and contributions of RSU during the past years.