Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS) Weekly Bulletin (22nd Epidemiological Week)

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Section 1: The Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS) Highlights

- **Kala-azar:** Three cases of Kala-azar are reported this week, two from BPKIHS, Dharan and one from Mechi Zonal Hospital, Jhapa. The cases are from Saptari, Dailekh and Jhapa district respectively.
- Malaria: Three cases of Malaria (*Plasmodium Vivax*) are reported this week, one each from BPKIHS Dharan and Seti Zonal Hospital, Kailali and Charikot PHC, Dolakha. The cases are from Saptari, Kanchanpur and Dolakha district respectively.
- **Dengue:** No case of Dengue is reported this week.
- Scrub Typhus: One case of Scrub Typhus is reported this week from United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the case is from Baganaskali Rural Municipality of Palpa district.
- **SARI:** One death from SARI is reported this week from United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the deceased was from Baganaskali Rural Municipality of Palpa district.

The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) can be mobilized at short notice to facilitate prompt outbreak response at Central, Regional and District level. RRTs can also support local level health institutions for investigation and outbreak control activities.

This information system is hospital-based and is currently operational in 68 hospitals (out of 82 sites) throughout Nepal (Figure 1). So far, the EWARS mainly focuses on the **weekly reporting** of number of cases and deaths (including "zero" reports) of six priority diseases/syndromes—Malaria, Kala-azar, Dengue, Acute Gastroenteritis (AGE), Cholera and Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI), and other epidemic potential diseases/syndromes (like enteric fever). It equally focuses on **immediate reporting** (to be reported within 24 hours of diagnosis) of one confirmed case of Cholera, Kala-azar severe and complicated Malaria and one suspect/clinical case of Dengue as well as 5 or more cases of AGE and SARI from the same geographical locality in one week period.



Reporting Status

Out of 68 functional EWARS sentinel sites, report was received from 48 sentinel sites (71 percent) whereas 20 sentinel sites did not report in 22nd Epidemiological week of 2018. The reporting coverage is increased as compared to previous week.



1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

358 cases of AGE are reported in 22nd epidemiological week of 2018. Among 358 cases, the majority of cases are from Parsa (39 cases), Kanchanpur (32 cases), Dolakha (31 cases), Achham (24 cases), Bara (23 cases), Dhanusha (22 cases), Kailali (17 cases), Lamjung (16 cases), Jhapa (13 cases), Kapilbastu (12 cases) and Kathmandu (10 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 22nd week this year did not exceed the number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (427 cases).

No death from AGE is reported this week. Four deaths from AGE are reported so far this year. Twenty deaths from AGE were reported in 2017.



1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

193 cases of SARI are reported in 22nd epidemiological week of 2018. The cases of SARI reported this week did not exceed the number reported in the same week last year (230 cases). Among 193 reported cases, the majority of cases are from Morang (28 cases), Lalitpur (20 cases), Jhapa (16 cases), Panchthar (14 cases), Palpa (11 cases), Kailali (9 cases), Kathmandu (8 cases), Kanchanpur (7 cases), Bhojpur (6 cases), and Dhading (6 cases) district.

One death from SARI is reported this week from United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the deceased was from Baganaskali Rural Municipality of Palpa district. 26 deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Eighty two deaths from SARI were reported in 2017.



1.3 Enteric Fever

22 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week including 9 from Kaski, 4 from Sindhuli, 4 from Kavre, 3 from Morang and 3 from Dolakha district. No death from Enteric fever is reported so far this year. Three deaths from Enteric Fever were reported in 2017.

1.4 Malaria

Three cases of Malaria (*Plasmodium Vivax*) are reported this week, one each from BPKIHS Dharan and Seti Zonal Hospital, Kailali and Charikot PHC, Dolakha. The cases are from Saptari, Kanchanpur and Dolakha district respectively.

Twenty six cases of Malaria are reported so far this year. Ninety one cases of Malaria are reported through EWARS in 2017.

1.5 Dengue

No case of Dengue is reported this week. Eleven cases of Dengue including one death are reported so far this year. 1201 cases of dengue are reported through EWARS in 2017.

1.6 Kala-azar

Three cases of Kala-azar are reported this week, two from BPKIHS, Dharan and one from Mechi Zonal Hospital, Jhapa. The cases are from Saptari, Dailekh and Jhapa district respectively.

Seventy seven cases of Kala azar including two deaths are reported so far this year. Two hundred twelve cases of Kala-azar were reported through EWARS in 2017.

1.7 Scrub Typhus

One case of Scrub Typhus is reported this week from United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the case is from Baganaskali Rural Municipality of Palpa district. Twenty two cases of scrub typhus are reported so far this year. 451 cases of Scrub Typhus were reported through EWARS in 2017.

Timeliness & completeness of reporting from sentinel sites:

Code	Sentinel Sites	Timeliness (This Week)	Completeness (%)	Site Code	Sentinel Sites	Timeliness (This Week)	Completeness (%)
101	Mechi ZH, Jhapa	On Time	100	136	DH, Illam	On Time	100
102	Koshi ZH, Morang	On Time	100	137	Dhulikhel H., Kavre	On Time	100
103	DH, Sunsari	On Time	100	138	DH, Solukhumbu	On Time	100
104	BPKIHS, Dharan	On Time	100	139	DH, Dolpa	No Reporting	0
105	DH, Dhankuta	On Time	100	140	DH, Humla	No Reporting	0
106	SZH, Saptari	No Reporting	0	201	L. Comm DH, Lamjung	On Time	100
107	RKUP Lahan, Siraha	On Time	100	202	DH, Dhading	On Time	68
108	DH, Siraha	No Reporting	20	203	DH, Ramechhap	On Time	100
109	JZH, Dhanusha	On Time	100	204	Bhaktapur Hospital	No Reporting	0
110	DH, Rautahat	No Reporting	20	205	Patan Hospital, Lalitpur	On Time	100
111	DH, Bara	On Time	100	206	DH, Gorkha	No Reporting	30
112	NSRH, Parsa	On Time	100	207	DH Trishuli, Nuwakot	No Reporting	0
113	DH, Makawanpur	No Reporting	90	208	Charikot PHCC, Dolakha	On Time	95
114	Bharatpur Hospital, Chitwan	No Reporting	95	209	Jiri H, Dolakha	On Time	100
115	Kanti CH, Kathmandu	On Time	100	210	DH, Syangja	On Time	55
116	STIDH, Kathmandu	On Time	100	211	DH, Tanahun	No Reporting	20
117	UMH, Palpa	On Time	100	212	WRH, Kaski	On Time	100
118	PCH, Nawalparasi	No Reporting	95	214	DH, Gulmi	On Time	72
119	PBH, Kapilbastu	On Time	100	215	DZH, Baglung	On Time	100
120	LZH, Rupandehi	No Reporting	95	216	DH, Parbat	On Time	30
121	RSRH Dang	On Time	100	218	DH, Manang	On Time	100
122	MWRH, Surkhet	On Time	100	219	DH, Mustang	On Time	30
123	BZH, Banke	No Reporting	20	220	DH, Pyuthan	On Time	100
124	SZH, Kailali	On Time	35	229	DH, Achham	On Time	100
125	MZH, Kanchanpur	On Time	100	230	DH, Baitadi	No Reporting	81
126	DH, Doti	On Time	100	231	DH, Darchula	On Time	30
127	DH, Bardiya	On Time	95	234	DH, Taplejung	No Reporting	50
128	DH, Mahottari	No Reporting	45	235	DH, Panchthar	On Time	100
129	DH, Dadeldhura	No Reporting	0	236	DH, Terhathum	On Time	100
130	DH, Rasuwa	On Time	100	237	DH, Bhojpur	On Time	100
131	DH, Sankhuwasabha	No Reporting	30	238	DH, Khotang	No Reporting	75
132	AMDA Hosp., Jhapa	On Time	100	301	Bayalpata Hosp., Achham	On Time	100
133	DH, Chautara	On Time	100	302	Tikapur Hospital, Kailali	On Time	30
134	DH, Sarlahi	On Time	100				
135	DH, Sindhuli	On Time	100				
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						Bad(<50)	

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Note: EWARS reporting form (in MS Excel format) is available at EDCD's official website <u>www.edcd.gov.np</u>. This bulletin is also available at the website.