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This bulletin includes the updates from the Early Warning Reporting System (EWARS). It includes data since January 2018 till date, including comparison of same period during last year.

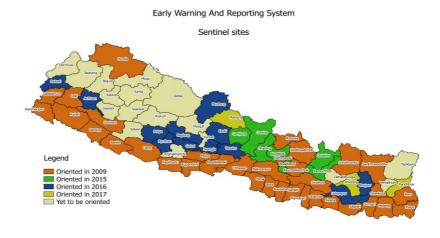
Section 1: The Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS)

Highlights

- Kala-azar: Three cases of Kala-azar are reported this week, two from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease
 Hospital, Kathmandu and one from United Mission Hospital, Palpa. The cases are from Malikarjun Rural
 Municipality of Darchula district, Budhiganga Municipality of Bajura district and Chandrakot Rural Municipality
 of Gulmi district.
- Malaria: One case of Malaria (*Plasmodium Vivax*) is reported this week from Seti Zonal Hospital, Kailali and the case is from Dhangadhi Sub Metropolitan of Kailali district.
- Dengue: Three cases of Dengue are reported this week, two from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and one
 from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku. The cases are from Nawalparasi and Pyuthan
 district respectively.
- **Scrub Typhus:** Three cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, two from Kanti Children Hospital, Kathmandu and one from Seti Zonal Hospital Kailali. The cases are from Rupandehi, Dailekh and Kailali district.
- AGE: One death from AGE is reported this week from District Hospital Doti and the deceased was from Dipayal Silgadhi Municipality of Doti district.

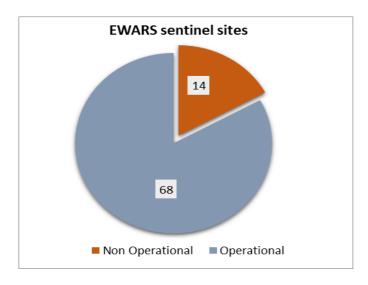
The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) 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.

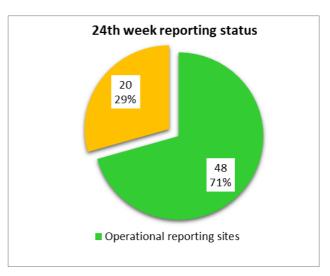
This information system is hospital-based and is currently operational in 68 hospitals (out of 82 sites) throughout Nepal (Figure 1). So far, the EWARS mainly focuses on the **weekly reporting** of number of cases and deaths (including "zero" reports) of six priority diseases/syndromes—Malaria, Kala-azar, 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 24th Epidemiological week of 2018. The reporting coverage is same as compared to previous week.

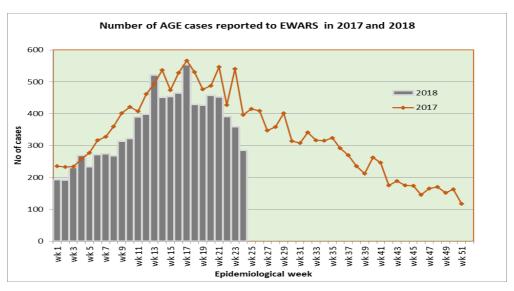




1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

285 cases of AGE are reported in 24th epidemiological week of 2018. Among 285 cases, the majority of cases are from Kailali (24 cases), Panchthar (22 cases), Dolakha (20 cases), Lamjung (18 cases), Kanchanpur (14 cases), Solukhumbu (12 cases), Dhanusha (11 cases), Jhapa (11 cases), Kaski (11 cases), and Pyuthan (11 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 24th week this year did not exceed the number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (397 cases).

One death from AGE is reported this week from District Hospital Doti and the deceased was from Dipayal Silgadhi Municipality of Doti district. Five deaths from AGE are reported so far this year. Twenty deaths from AGE were reported in 2017.

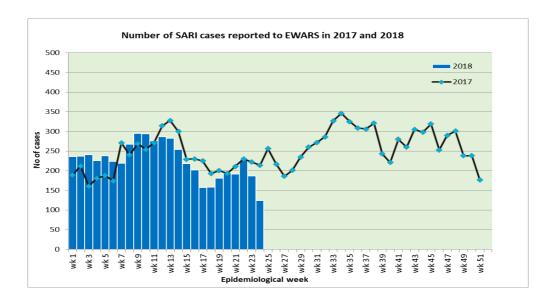


Cholera: Two Cholera cases have been reported from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku, Kathmandu since 6th June, 2018. The samples are confirmed positive by National Public Health Laboratory and the cases are from Nuwakot and Kathmandu district.

1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

124 cases of SARI are reported in 24th epidemiological week of 2018. The cases of SARI reported this week did not exceed the number reported in the same week last year (214 cases). Among 124 reported cases, the majority of cases are from Morang (17 cases), Kailali (16 cases), Jhapa (8 cases), Panchthar (8 cases), Sunsari (6 cases), Gulmi (6 cases), Dhankuta (5 cases), Bhojpur (5 cases) and Saptari (5 cases) district.

No death from SARI is reported this week. 26 deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Eighty two deaths from SARI were reported in 2017.



1.3 Enteric Fever

29 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week including 5 from Kaski, 4 from Myagdi, 2 from Dhading, 2 from Kathmandu, 2 from Lamjung, 2 from Morang and 2 from Sindhuli district. No death from Enteric fever is reported so far this year. Three deaths from Enteric Fever were reported in 2017.

1.4 Malaria

One case of Malaria (*Plasmodium Vivax*) is reported this week from Seti Zonal Hospital, Kailali and the case is from Dhangadhi Sub Metropolitan of Kailali district.

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

1.5 Dengue

Three cases of Dengue are reported this week, two from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and one from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku. The cases are from Nawalparasi and Pyuthan district respectively.

Thirteen 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 Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Kathmandu and one from United Mission Hospital, Palpa. The cases are from Malikarjun Rural Municipality of Darchula district, Budhiganga Municipality of Bajura district and Chandrakot Rural Municipality of Gulmi district.

Eighty five 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

Three cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, two from Kanti Children Hospital, Kathmandu and one from Seti Zonal Hospital Kailali. The cases are from Rupandehi, Dailekh and Kailali district.

Thirty three 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 | No Reporting | 91 |
| 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 | 75 |
| 108 | DH, Siraha | Late Reporting | 83 | 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 | On Time | 37 |
| 112 | NSRH, Parsa | No Reporting | 95 | 207 | DH Trishuli, Nuwakot | No Reporting | 10 |
| 113 | DH, Makawanpur | On Time | 100 | 208 | Charikot PHCC, Dolakha | On Time | 95 |
| 114 | Bharatpur Hospital, Chitwan | No Reporting | 87 | 209 | Jiri H, Dolakha | On Time | 100 |
| 115 | Kanti CH, Kathmandu | On Time | 100 | 210 | DH, Syangja | On Time | 62 |
| 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 | On Time | 100 | 214 | DH, Gulmi | No Reporting | 62 |
| 119 | PBH, Kapilbastu | On Time | 100 | 215 | DZH, Baglung | On Time | 100 |
| 120 | LZH, Rupandehi | On Time | 100 | 216 | DH, Parbat | No Reporting | 30 |
| 121 | RSRH Dang | No Reporting | 95 | 217 | DH, Arghakhanchi | On Time | 10 |
| 122 | MWRH, Surkhet | On Time | 100 | 218 | DH, Manang | On Time | 100 |
| 123 | BZH, Banke | No Reporting | 20 | 219 | DH, Mustang | On Time | 50 |
| 124 | SZH, Kailali | On Time | 45 | 220 | DH, Pyuthan | On Time | 100 |
| 125 | MZH, Kanchanpur | On Time | 100 | 229 | DH, Achham | On Time | 100 |
| 126 | DH, Doti | On Time | 100 | 230 | DH, Baitadi | No Reporting | 75 |
| 127 | DH, Bardiya | On Time | 100 | 231 | DH, Darchula | On Time | 40 |
| 128 | DH, Mahottari | No Reporting | 35 | 234 | DH, Taplejung | On Time | 47 |
| 129 | DH, Dadeldhura | No Reporting | 0 | 235 | DH, Panchthar | On Time | 100 |

| 130 | DH, Rasuwa | No Reporting | 95 | 236 | DH, Terhathum | No Reporting | 95 |
|-----|----------------------|--------------|-----|-----|----------------------------|-----------------|-----|
| 131 | DH, Sankhuwasabha | No Reporting | 20 | 237 | DH, Bhojpur | On Time | 100 |
| 132 | AMDA Hosp., Jhapa | On Time | 100 | 238 | DH, Khotang | No Reporting | 65 |
| 133 | DH, Chautara | On Time | 100 | 301 | Bayalpata Hosp., Achham | On Time | 100 |
| 134 | DH, Sarlahi | On Time | 100 | 302 | Tikapur Hospital, Kailali | On Time | 40 |
| 135 | DH, Sindhuli | On Time | 100 | | | | |
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| | | | | | Satisfactory (50-79) | | |
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Note: EWARS reporting form (in MS Excel format) is available at EDCD's official website www.edcd.gov.np. This bulletin is also available at the website.