Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS) Weekly Bulletin

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

Highlights								
•	Kala-azar: Two cases of Kala-azar are reported this week from Mid-Western Regional Hospital, Surkhet and the cases are from Birendranagar Municipality and Barahatal Rural Municipality of Surkhet district.							
•	Dengue: One case of Dengue is reported this week from Patan Hospital, Lalitpur and the cases is from Chitwan district.							
•	Scrub Typhus: Three cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, one from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and two from Patan Hospital, Lalitpur. The cases are from Lalitpur and Sindhupalchok district.							
•	Malaria: No case of malaria is reported this week							
•	SARI: One death from SARI is reported this week from Koshi Zonal Hospital, Morang and the deceased was from Morang 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 65 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 65 functional EWARS sentinel sites, report was received from 32 sentinel sites (49 percent) whereas 33 sentinel sites did not report in 6th Epidemiological week of 2018. The reporting coverage is decreased as compared to previous week.



1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

183 cases of AGE are reported in 6th epidemiological week of 2018. Among 183 cases, the majority of cases are from Parsa (13 cases), Achham (13 cases), Kathmandu (12 cases), Dolakha (11 cases), Morang (11 cases), Dhanusha (10 cases), Jhapa (8 cases), Illam (7 cases), Kaski (6 cases) and Kanchanpur (6 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 6th week this year did not exceed the number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (317 cases).

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



1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

146 cases of SARI are reported in 6th epidemiological week of 2018. The cases of SARI reported this week did not exceed the number reported in the same week last year (174 cases). Among 146 reported cases, the majority of cases are from Morang (20 cases), Lalitpur (16 cases), Parsa (11 cases), Dang (9 cases), Kathmandu (9 cases), Bara (8 cases), Jhapa (8 cases) and Sunsari (6 cases) district.

One death from SARI is reported this week from Koshi Zonal Hospital, Morang and the deceased was from Morang district. 11 deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Eighty two deaths from SARI were reported in 2017.



1.3 Enteric Fever

24 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week, 6 from Kaski, 4 from Lamjung, 3 from Kathmandu and two each from Palpa, Syangja and Bara district. No death from Enteric fever is reported so far this year. Three deaths from Enteric Fever were reported in 2017.

1.4 Malaria

No case of Malaria is reported so far this year. Ninety one cases of Malaria are reported through EWARS in 2017.

1.5 Dengue

One case of Dengue is reported this week from Patan Hospital, Lalitpur and the cases is from Chitwan district. Five 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

Two cases of Kala-azar are reported this week from Mid-Western Regional Hospital, Surkhet and the cases are from Birendranagar Municipality and Barahatal Rural Municipality of Surkhet district. Twenty cases of Kala azar 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, one from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and two from Patan Hospital, Lalitpur. The cases are from Lalitpur and Sindhupalchok district. Ten cases of scrub typhus are reported so far this year. 451 cases of Scrub Typhus were reported through EWARS in 2017.

Site Code	Sentinel Sites	Timeliness (This Week)	Completeness (%)	Site Code	Sentinel Sites	Timeliness (This Week)	Completeness (%)
101	Mechi ZH, Jhapa	No Reporting	83	135	DH, Sindhuli	No Reporting	83
102	Koshi ZH, Morang	On Time	100	136	DH, Illam	On Time	100
103	DH, Sunsari	On Time	100	137	Dhulikhel H., Kavre	No Reporting	66
104	BPKIHS, Dharan	No Reporting	83	138	DH, Solukhumbu	No Reporting	0
105	DH, Dhankuta	On Time	100	139	DH, Dolpa	No Reporting	0
106	SZH, Saptari	No Reporting	0	140	DH, Humla	No Reporting	0
107	RKUP Lahan, Siraha	On Time	100	201	L. Comm DH, Lamjung	On Time	100
108	DH, Siraha	No Reporting	83	202	DH, Dhading	No Reporting	0
109	JZH, Dhanusha	On Time	100	203	DH, Ramechhap	On Time	100
110	DH, Rautahat	No Reporting	0	204	Bhaktapur Hospital	No Reporting	0
111	DH, Bara	On Time	100	205	Patan Hospital, Lalitpur	On Time	100
112	NSRH, Parsa	On Time	100	206	DH, Gorkha	On Time	100
113	DH, Makawanpur	On Time	100	207	DH Trishuli, Nuwakot	No Reporting	0
114	NZH, Chitwan	No Reporting	83	208	Charikot PHCC, Dolakha	On Time	100
115	Kanti CH, Kathmandu	On Time	100	209	Jiri H, Dolakha	On Time	100
116	STIDH, Kathmandu	On Time	100	210	DH, Syangja	No Reporting	20
117	UMH, Palpa	On Time	100	211	DH, Tanahun	On Time	100
118	PCH, Nawalparasi	No Reporting	83	212	WRH, Kaski	On Time	100
119	PBH, Kapilbastu	On Time	100	214	DH, Gulmi	On Time	100
120	LZH, Rupandehi	No Reporting	83	215	DZH, Baglung	On Time	100
121	RSRH Dang	On Time	100	218	DH, Manang	On Time	100
122	MWRH, Surkhet	On Time	100	219	DH, Mustang	No Reporting	0
123	BZH, Banke	No Reporting	0	220	DH, Pyuthan	No Reporting	83
124	SZH, Kailali	No Reporting	0	221	DH, Rolpa	No Reporting	0
125	MZH, Kanchanpur	On Time	100	229	DH, Achham	No Reporting	83
126	DH, Doti	On Time	100	230	DH, Baitadi	No Reporting	0
127	DH, Bardiya	No Reporting	83	235	DH, Panchthar	No Reporting	83
128	DH, Mahottari	No Reporting	0	236	DH, THerathum	On Time	100
129	DH, Dadeldhura	No Reporting	0	237	DH, Bhojpur	No Reporting	0
130	DH, Rasuwa	No Reporting	66	238	DH, Khotang	No Reporting	0
131	DH, Sankhuwasabha	No Reporting	83	240	DH, Udayapur	No Reporting	0
132	AMDA Hosp., Jhapa	On Time	100	301	Bayalpata Hosp., Achham	On Time	100
133	DH, Chautara	On Time	100			1	
134	DH, Sarlahi	No Reporting	83			Excellent (>80)	
						Satisfactory (50-79)	
						Bad(<50)	

Timeliness & completeness of reporting from sentinel sites:

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