## Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS)

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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.

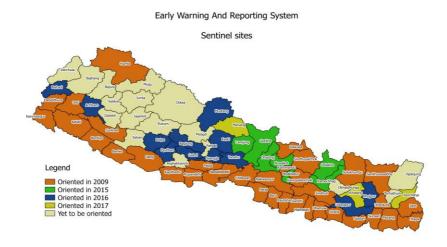
#### Section 1: The Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS)

#### **Highlights**

- Kala-azar: Two cases of Kala-azar are reported this week, one each from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and Bayalpata Hospital, Achham. The cases are from Kanchanpur and Achham District respectively.
- **Dengue:** One case of Dengue is reported this week from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and the case is from Sainamaina Municipality of Rupandehi district.
- Malaria: One case of Malaria (*Plasmodium Vivax*) is reported this week from Narayani Zonal Hospital, Chitwan and the case is from Chitwan district.
- **Scrub Typhus:** One case of Scrub Typhus is reported this week from United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the case is from Rainadevi Chhahara Rural Municipality of Palpa district.
- SARI: Two deaths from SARI are reported this week from United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the deceased were from Palpa and Gulmi district

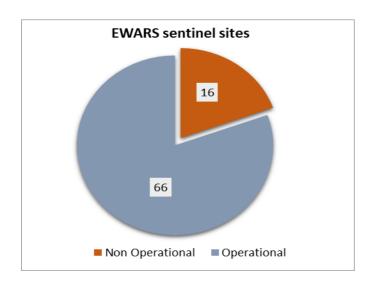
The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs)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

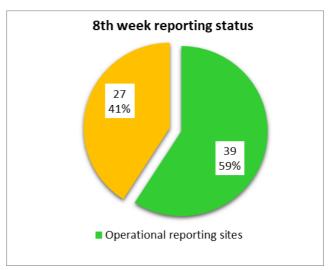
This information system is hospital-based and is currently operational in 65 hospitals (out of 82 sites) throughout Nepal (Figure 1). So far, the EWARS mainly focuses on the **weekly reporting** of number of cases and deaths (including "zero" reports) of six priority diseases/syndromes—Malaria, Kala-azar, 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 66 functional EWARS sentinel sites, report was received from 39 sentinel sites (59 percent) whereas 27 sentinel sites did not report in 8<sup>th</sup> Epidemiological week of 2018. The reporting coverage is increased as compared to previous week.

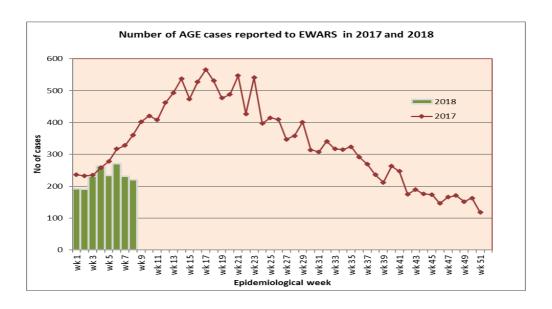




#### 1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

220 cases of AGE are reported in 8<sup>th</sup> epidemiological week of 2018. Among 220 cases, the majority of cases are from Dhanusha (18 cases), Achham (16 cases), Rupandehi (15 cases), Panchthar (14 cases), Lamjung (13 cases), Morang (13 cases), Jhapa (12 cases), Dolakha (10 cases), Kathmandu (10 cases) and Kanchanpur (10 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 8<sup>th</sup> week this year did not exceed the number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (360 cases).

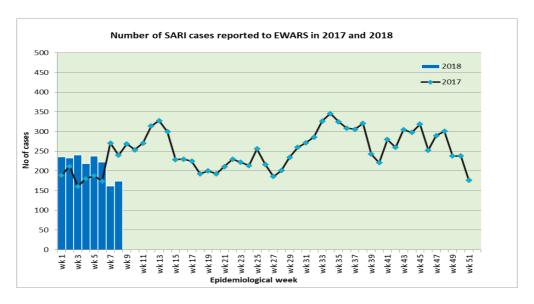
No death from AGE is reported this week. Two deaths from AGE are reported so far this year. Twenty deaths from AGE were reported in 2017.



#### 1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

174 cases of SARI are reported in 8<sup>th</sup> epidemiological week of 2018. The cases of SARI reported this week did not exceed the number reported in the same week last year (240 cases). Among 174 reported cases, the majority of cases are from Rupandehi (25 cases), Morang (23 cases), Jhapa (13 cases), Gulmi (9 cases), Nuwakot (7 cases), Kanchanpur (7 cases), Nawalparasi (6 cases) and Taplejung (6 cases) district.

Two deaths from SARI are reported this week from United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the deceased were from Palpa and Gulmi district. 15 deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Eighty two deaths from SARI were reported in 2017.



#### 1.3 Enteric Fever

28 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week including 4 from Kaski, 3 from Lamjung, and two each from Chitwan, Dhankuta, Kathmandu, Kavre and Morang 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 Narayani Zonal Hospital, Chitwan and the case is from Chitwan district. Ninety one cases of Malaria are reported through EWARS in 2017.

#### 1.5 Dengue

One case of Dengue is reported this week from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and the case is from Sainamaina Municipality of Rupandehi district. Nine 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, one each from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and Bayalpata Hospital, Achham. The cases are from Kanchanpur and Achham District respectively. Twenty four 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

One case of Scrub Typhus is reported this week from United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the case is from Rainadevi Chhahara Rural Municipality of Palpa district. Thirteen 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:

Site Code	Sentinel Sites	Timeliness (This Week)	Completeness (%)	Site Code	Sentinel Sites	Timeliness (This Week)	Completeness (%)
101	Mechi ZH, Jhapa	On Time	100	135	DH, Sindhuli	No Reporting	87
102	Koshi ZH, Morang	On Time	100	136	DH, Illam	On Time	100
103	DH, Sunsari	On Time	100	137	Dhulikhel H., Kavre	On Time	100
104	BPKIHS, Dharan	On Time	100	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	62	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	No Reporting	75	206	DH, Gorkha	On Time	100
113	DH, Makawanpur	No Reporting	75	207	DH Trishuli, Nuwakot	No Reporting	0
114	NZH, Chitwan	On Time	100	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	No Reporting	75
118	PCH, Nawalparasi	On Time	100	212	WRH, Kaski	On Time	100
119	PBH, Kapilbastu	On Time	100	214	DH, Gulmi	No Reporting	87
120	LZH, Rupandehi	On Time	100	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	On Time	100
124	SZH, Kailali	No Reporting	0	221	DH, Rolpa	No Reporting	0
125	MZH, Kanchanpur	On Time	100	229	DH, Achham	No Reporting	87
126	DH, Doti	On Time	100	230	DH, Baitadi	On Time	100
127	DH, Bardiya	No Reporting	87	234	DH, Taplejung	On Time	100
128	DH, Mahottari	No Reporting	0	235	DH, Panchthar	On Time	100
129	DH, Dadeldhura	No Reporting	0	236	DH, Therathum	On Time	100
130	DH, Rasuwa	On Time	100	237	DH, Bhojpur	No Reporting	0
131	DH, Sankhuwasabha	No Reporting	75	238	DH, Khotang	No Reporting	87
132	AMDA Hosp., Jhapa	On Time	100	240	DH, Udayapur	No Reporting	0
133	DH, Chautara	On Time	100	301	Bayalpata Hosp., Achham	On Time	100
134	DH, Sarlahi	On Time	100			T	
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Note: EWARS reporting form (in MS Excel format) is available at EDCD's official website <a href="www.edcd.gov.np">www.edcd.gov.np</a>. This bulletin is also available at the website.