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.

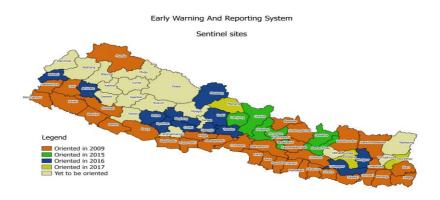
Section 1: The Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS)

Highlights

- Diarrhea outbreak reported from Dang District: A Total of 786 cases of Diarrhoea have been treated in Santinagar Health Post of Dang district in last two days (26&27 May, 2018). No deaths have been reported. Medical team from DPHO, Nepal Army, Tulsipur Zonal Hospital and Tulsi Child Hospital have been mobilized to the affected area for the outbreak management and response.
- **Kala-azar:** Two cases of Kala-azar are reported this week from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital Teku, and the cases are from Rupandehi and Sindhuli district.
- Malaria: One case of Malaria (*Plasmodium falciparum*) is reported this week from Sukraraj Tropical and
 Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and the case is from Badhaiyataal Rural Municipality of Bardiya district.
 Similarly one case of Malaria (*Plasmodium Vivax*) is reported this week from Mahakali Zonal Hospital,
 Kanchanpur and the case is from Bhimdatt Municipality of Kanchanpur district.
- **Dengue:** No case of Dengue is reported this week.
- **Scrub Typhus:** One case of Scrub Typhus is reported this week from Kanti Children Hospital, Kathmandu and the case is from Tikapur Municipality of Kailali district.

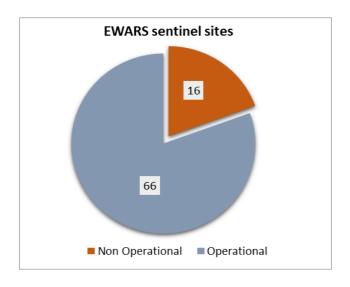
The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs)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

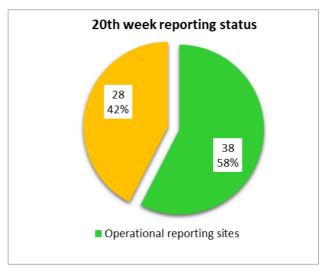
This information system is hospital-based and is currently operational in 66 hospitals (out of 82 sites) throughout Nepal (Figure 1). So far, the EWARS mainly focuses on the **weekly reporting** of number of cases and deaths (including "zero" reports) of six priority diseases/syndromes—Malaria, Kala-azar, 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 38 sentinel sites (58 percent) whereas 28 sentinel sites did not report in 20th Epidemiological week of 2018. The reporting coverage is slightly decreased as compared to previous week.

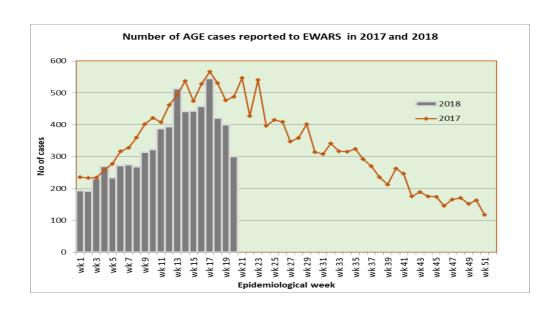




1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

300 cases of AGE are reported in 20th epidemiological week of 2018. Among 300 cases, the majority of cases are from, Kanchanpur (50 cases), Dolakha (35 cases), Dhanusha (25 cases), Achham (21 cases), Kailali (19 cases), Lamjung (15 cases), Dhading (12 cases), Jhapa (11 cases), Kathmandu (10 cases), and Morang (10 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 20th week this year did not exceed the number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (488 cases).

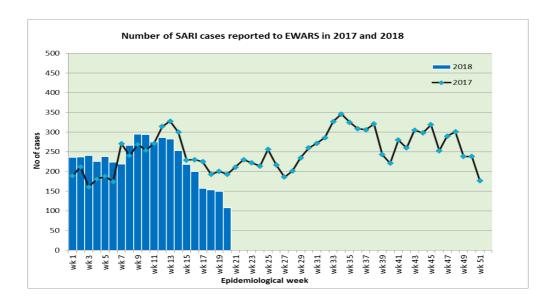
No death from AGE is reported this week. Four deaths from AGE are reported so far this year. Twenty deaths from AGE were reported in 2017.



1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

104 cases of SARI are reported in 20th epidemiological week of 2018. The cases of SARI reported this week did not exceed the number reported in the same week last year (193 cases). Among 104 reported cases, the majority of cases are from Morang (24 cases), Jhapa (11 cases), Kailali (9 cases), Ilam (8 cases), Sunsari (7 cases), Bhojpur (6 cases), Dolakha (5 cases), and Kathmandu (4 cases) district.

No death from SARI is reported this week. 25 deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Eighty two deaths from SARI were reported in 2017.



1.3 Enteric Fever

30 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week including 5 from Dolakha, 4 from Sindhuli, 3 from Kaski, 2 from Kathmandu and 2 from Lamjung 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 falciparum*) is reported this week from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and the case is from Badhaiyataal Rural Municipality of Bardiya district. Similarly one case of Malaria (*Plasmodium Vivax*) is reported this week from Mahakali Zonal Hospital, Kanchanpur and the case is from Bhimdatt Municipality of Kanchanpur district.

Nineteen 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

Two cases of Kala-azar are reported this week from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital Teku, and the cases are from Rupandehi and Sindhuli district.

Sixty 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 Kanti Children Hospital, Kathmandu and the case is from Tikapur Municipality of Kailali district. Twenty 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	135	DH, Sindhuli	On Time	100
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	On Time	100
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	20	202	DH, Dhading	On Time	70
109	JZH, Dhanusha	On Time	100	203	DH, Ramechhap	On Time	100
110	DH, Rautahat	No Reporting	20	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	No Reporting	35
113	DH, Makawanpur	No Reporting	95	207	DH Trishuli, Nuwakot	No Reporting	0
114	Bharatpur Hospital, Chitwan	No Reporting	95	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	0
117	UMH, Palpa	On Time	100	211	DH, Tanahun	No Reporting	25
118	PCH, Nawalparasi	No Reporting	95	212	WRH, Kaski	On Time	100
119	PBH, Kapilbastu	No Reporting	95	214	DH, Gulmi	No Reporting	65
120	LZH, Rupandehi	No Reporting	95	215	DZH, Baglung	On Time	100
121	RSRH Dang	No Reporting	85	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	On Time	25	221	DH, Rolpa	No Reporting	0
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	No Reporting	65	234	DH, Taplejung	No Reporting	65
128	DH, Mahottari	No Reporting	55	235	DH, Panchthar	On Time	100
129	DH, Dadeldhura	No Reporting	0	236	DH, Terhathum	No Reporting	95
130	DH, Rasuwa	No Reporting	95	237	DH, Bhojpur	On Time	100
131	DH, Sankhuwasabha	No Reporting	35	238	DH, Khotang	No Reporting	85
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	
				Excellent (>80)
				Satisfactory (50-79)
				Bad(<50)

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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.