# 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 2017 till date, including comparison of same period during last year.

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

#### **Highlights**

- Influenza A/ H1N1 Pdm09: 353 cases of Influenza A H1N1 Pdm09 including 3 deaths have been confirmed since 1 January, 2017.
- Malaria: Three cases of Malaria (*Plasmodium vivax*) are reported this week, one each from BPKIHS, Dharan, Mahakali Zonal Hospital, Kanchanpur and District Hospital, Pyuthan. The cases are from Taplejung, Kanchanpur and Pyuthan district respectively. Similarly one case of Malaria (*Plasmodium falciparum*) is reported from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and the case is from Humla district.
- Kala-azar: Three cases of Kala-azar are reported this week, two from District Hospital, Siraha and one from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku. The cases are from Siraha and Baitadi district respectively.
- **SARI:** One death from SARI is reported this week from Narayani Sub Regional Hospital, Parsa and the deceased was from Birgunj Sub-metropolitan city of Parsa district.
- AGE: One death from AGE is reported this week from District Hospital, Pyuthan and the deceased was from Pyuthan
  district.
- **Scrub Typhus:** 15 cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, 11 from United Mission Hospital, Palpa, 3 from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious disease Hospital, Teku and one from Narayani Sub Regional Hospital, Parsa.

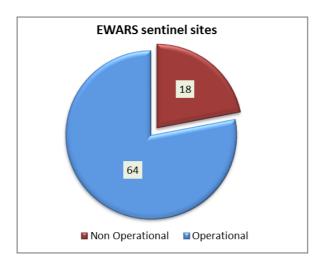
The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs)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

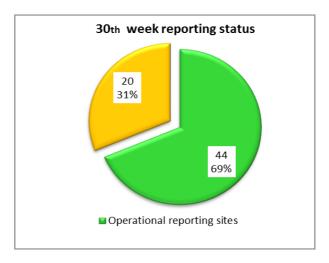
This information system is hospital-based and is currently operational in 64 hospitals (out of 82 sites) throughout Nepal (Figure 1). So far, the EWARS mainly focuses on the **weekly reporting** of number of cases and deaths (including "zero" reports) of six priority diseases/syndromes—Malaria, Kala-azar, 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 64 functional EWARS sentinel sites, report was received from 44 sentinel sites (69 percent) whereas 20 sentinel sites did not report in 30<sup>th</sup> Epidemiological week of 2017. The reporting coverage is slightly increased as compared to the previous week.

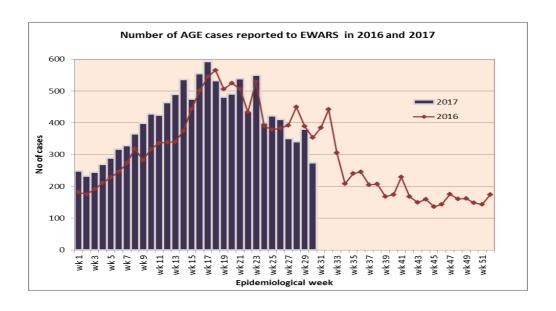




#### 1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

275 cases of AGE are reported in 30<sup>th</sup> epidemiological week of 2017. Among 275 cases, the majority of cases are from Achham (26 cases), Pyuthan (26 cases), Parsa (22 cases), Dolakha (16 cases), Kathmandu (13 cases), Kanchanpur (12 cases), Morang (10 cases), Lalitpur (9 cases), Syangja (8 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 30<sup>th</sup> week this year did not exceed the number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (354 cases).

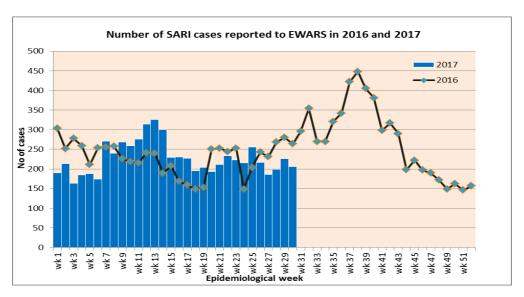
One death from AGE is reported this week from District Hospital, Pyuthan and the deceased was from Pyuthan district. Fourteen deaths from AGE are reported so far this year. Thirteen deaths from AGE were reported in 2016.



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

206 cases of SARI are reported in 30<sup>th</sup> epidemiological week of 2017. The cases of SARI reported this week did not exceed the number reported in the same week last year (264 cases). Among 206 cases, the majority of cases are from Jhapa (27 cases), Morang (17 cases), Syangja (16 cases), Rupandehi (14 cases), Parsa (13 cases), Dhankuta (11 cases), Bara (10 cases), Kailali (9 cases) and Panchthar (7 cases) district.

One death from SARI is reported this week from Narayani Sub Regional Hospital, Parsa and the deceased was from Birgunj Sub-metropolitan city of Parsa district. Forty seven deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Seventy deaths from SARI were reported in 2016.



#### 1.3 Enteric Fever

81 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week, including 9 from Kaski, 8 from Bardiya, 6 from Syangja, 6 from Parsa, 5 from Kavre, 5 from Bara, 4 from Tanahu, 4 Morang, and 4 from Gulmi district. One death from Enteric Fever is reported so far this year.

#### 1.4 Malaria

Three cases of Malaria (*Plasmodium vivax*) are reported this week, one each from BPKIHS, Dharan, Mahakali Zonal Hospital, Kanchanpur and District Hospital, Pyuthan. The cases are from Taplejung, Kanchanpur and Pyuthan district. Similarly one case of Malaria (*Plasmodium falciparum*) is reported from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and the case is from Humla district.

Forty nine cases of Malaria are reported so far this year. Eighty three cases of Malaria were reported through EWARS in 2016.

#### 1.5 Dengue

No case of Dengue is reported this week. Ten cases of Dengue are reported so far this year.

#### 1.6 Kala-azar

Three cases of Kala-azar are reported this week, two from District Hospital, Siraha and one from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku. The cases are from Siraha and Baitadi district respectively. One hundred forty

two cases of Kala-azar cases are reported so far this year. 150 cases of Kala-azar were reported through EWARS in 2016.

#### 1.7 Scrub Typhus

15 cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, 11 from United Mission Hospital, Palpa, 3 from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious disease Hospital, Teku and one from Narayani Sub Regional Hospital, Parsa. Among 15 cases, 6 cases are from Palpa, 2 from Syangja and one each from Parbat , Gulmi, , Arghakhanchi, , Nuwakot, Makawanpur, Dhading and Bara district.

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	93
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	45
105	DH, Dhankuta	On Time	100	139	DH, Dolpa	No Reporting	0
106	SZH, Saptari	No Reporting	45	140	DH, Humla	No Reporting	0
107	RKUP Lahan, Siraha	On Time	100	201	L. Comm DH, Lamjung	On Time	100
108	DH, Siraha	On Time	100	202	DH, Dhading	No Reporting	0
109	JZH, Dhanusha	No Reporting	96	203	DH, Ramechhap	On Time	100
110	DH, Rautahat	No Reporting	90	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	96
113	DH, Makawanpur	On Time	100	207	DH Trishuli, Nuwakot	No Reporting	0
114	NZH, Chitwan	No Reporting	90	208	Charikot PHCC, Dolakha	On Time	100
115	Kanti CH, Kathmandu	On Time	100	209	Jiri H, Dolakha	On Time	100
116	STH, Kathmandu	On Time	100	210	DH, Syangja	On Time	100
117	UMH, Palpa	On Time	100	211	DH, Tanahun	On Time	92
118	PCH, Nawalparasi	No Reporting	96	212	WRH, Kaski	On Time	100
119	PBH, Kapilbastu	On Time	100	214	DH, Gulmi	No Reporting	60
120	LZH, Rupandehi	On Time	100	215	DZH, Baglung	On Time	100
121	RSRH Dang	On Time	100	218	DH, Manang	On Time	53
122	MWRH, Surkhet	On Time	100	219	DH, Mustang	On Time	46
123	BZH, Banke	No Reporting	93	220	DH, Pyuthan	On Time	100
124	SZH, Kailali	On Time	15	221	DH, Rolpa	No Reporting	14
125	MZH, Kanchanpur	On Time	100	229	DH, Achham	On Time	100
126	DH, Doti	On Time	100	230	DH, Baitadi	On Time	100
127	DH, Bardiya	On Time	100	235	DH, Panchthar	On Time	100
128	DH, Mahottari	No Reporting	60	237	DH, Bhojpur	No Reporting	42
129	DH, Dadeldhura	No Reporting	0	238	DH, Khotang	No Reporting	38
130	DH, Rasuwa	On Time	60	240	DH, Udayapur	No Reporting	0
131	DH, Sankhuwasabha	On Time	86	301	Bayalpata Hosp., Achham	On Time	100
132	AMDA Hosp., Jhapa	On Time	100				
133	DH, Chautara	On time	100		Excellent (>80)		
134	DH, Sarlahi	On Time	100			Satisfactory (50-79)	
						Bad(<50)	

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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.