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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

- **Dengue:** A total of 2082 Dengue cases have been reported from 28 different districts since January 2017, out of which 684 cases from Rupandehi, 543 from Jhapa, 438 from Mahottari and 130 from Sarlahi district.
- Kala-azar: Four cases of Kala azar are reported this week, one each from BPKIHS, Dharan, Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious disease Hospital, Teku, Kanti Children Hospital, Kathmandu and Janakpur Zonal Hospital, Dhanusha. The cases are from Morang, Okhaldhunga, Mahottari and Humla district.
- Malaria: Two case of Malaria (Plasmodium vivax) are reported this week, one each from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and Mahakali Zonal Hospital, Kanchanpur. The cases are from Arghakhanchi and Kanchanpur district respectively.
- **Scrub Typhus:** Six cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, 3 from United Mission Hospital, Palpa, 2 from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Kathmandu and 1 Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi.

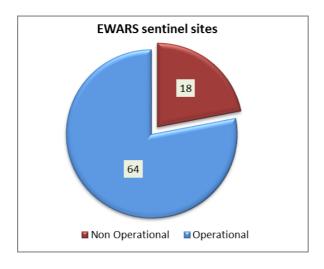
The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs)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

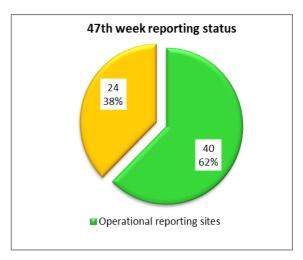
This information system is hospital-based and is currently operational in 64 hospitals (out of 82 sites) throughout Nepal (Figure 1). So far, the EWARS mainly focuses on the **weekly reporting** of number of cases and deaths (including "zero" reports) of six priority diseases/syndromes—Malaria, Kala-azar, 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 40 sentinel sites (62 percent) whereas 24 sentinel sites did not report in 47th Epidemiological week of 2017. The reporting coverage is slightly decreased as compared to the previous week.

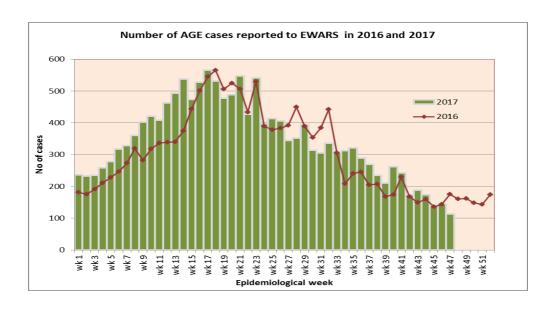




1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

114 cases of AGE are reported in 47th epidemiological week of 2017. Among 114 cases, the majority of cases are from Sunsari (10 cases), Dolakha (9 cases), Morang (8 cases), Kathmandu (7 cases), Dhanusha (6 cases), Solukhumbu (5 cases), Ramechhap (5 cases), Makawanpur (5 cases), Kapilbastu (4 cases) and Achham (4 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 47th week this year is less as the compared number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (176 cases).

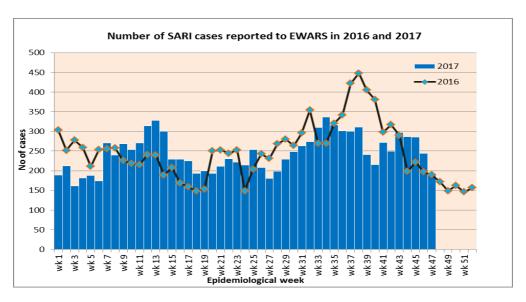
No death from AGE is reported this week. Nineteen deaths from AGE are reported so far this year. Thirteen deaths from AGE were reported in 2016.



1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

192 cases of SARI are reported in 47th epidemiological week of 2017. The cases of SARI reported this week is same as compared to the number reported in the same week last year (190 cases). Among 192 cases, the majority of cases are from Morang (35 cases), Jhapa (21 cases), Kanchanpur (21 cases), Rupandehi (19 cases), Palpa (9 cases), Dang (9 cases), Sunsari (9 cases), Sankhuwasabha (7cases), and Gulmi (7 cases) district.

No death from SARI is reported this week. Seventy seven deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Seventy deaths from SARI were reported in 2016.



1.3 Enteric Fever

20 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week, including 3 from Kaski, 3 from Lamjung, 3 from Siraha and 2 from Baglung district. Three deaths from Enteric Fever are reported so far this year.

1.4 Malaria

Two case of Malaria (*Plasmodium vivax*) are reported this week, one each from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and Mahakali Zonal Hospital, Kanchanpur. The cases are from Arghakhanchi and Kanchanpur district respectively.

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

1.5 Dengue

A total of 2082 Dengue cases have been reported from 28 different districts since January 2017, out of which 684 cases from Rupandehi, 543 from Jhapa, 438 from Mahottari, 130 from Sarlahi, 67 from Dhading, , 46 from Kapilbastu, 27 from Dhanusha, , 29 from Nawalparasi, 23 from Chitwan, 15 from Arghakhanchi , 13 from Gulmi, 12 from Rautahat, , 11 from Dang, , 11 from Palpa, 10 from Pyuthan, 4 from Rolpa , 3 from Makawanpur, 3 from Baglung, 2 from Bara, 2 from Surkhet and one each from Syangja, Dailekh, Banke, Bhaktapur, Kathmandu, Achham, Gorkha and Kaski.

1.6 Kala-azar

Four cases of Kala azar are reported this week, one each from BPKIHS, Dharan, Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious disease Hospital, Teku, Kanti Children Hospital, Kathmandu and Janakpur Zonal Hospital, Dhanusha. The cases are from Morang, Okhaldhunga, Mahottari and Humla district.

Two hundred four 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

Six cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, 3 from United Mission Hospital, Palpa, 2 from Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Kathmandu and 1 Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi. The cases are from Gulmi, Rupandehi, Banke, Kapilbastu, Nawalparasi and Sarlahi.

447 cases of Scrub Typhus are reported so far this year.

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	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	95
104	BPKIHS, Dharan	On Time	100	138	DH, Solukhumbu	Late Reporting	52
105	DH, Dhankuta	On Time	100	139	DH, Dolpa	No Reporting	0
106	SZH, Saptari	No Reporting	30	140	DH, Humla	No Reporting	0
107	RKUP Lahan, Siraha	Late Reporting	100	201	L. Comm DH, Lamjung	On Time	100
108	DH, Siraha	No Reporting	97	202	DH, Dhading	No Reporting	40
109	JZH, Dhanusha	Late Reporting	97	203	DH, Ramechhap	On Time	100
110	DH, Rautahat	No Reporting	90	204	Bhaktapur Hospital	No reporting	18
111	DH, Bara	On Time	100	205	Patan Hospital, Lalitpur	On Time	100
112	NSRH, Parsa	Late Reporting	97	206	DH, Gorkha	On Time	100
113	DH, Makawanpur	On Time	100	207	DH Trishuli, Nuwakot	No Reporting	0
114	NZH, Chitwan	No reporting	97	208	Charikot PHCC, Dolakha	On Time	100
115	Kanti CH, Kathmandu	On Time	100	209	Jiri H, Dolakha	Late Reporting	97
116	STH, Kathmandu	On Time	100	210	DH, Syangja	No Reporting	97
117	UMH, Palpa	On Time	100	211	DH, Tanahun	No Reporting	86
118	PCH, Nawalparasi	On Time	100	212	WRH, Kaski	On Time	100
119	PBH, Kapilbastu	On Time	100	214	DH, Gulmi	No Reporting	97
120	LZH, Rupandehi	On Time	100	215	DZH, Baglung	Late Reporting	100
121	RSRH Dang	On Time	100	218	DH, Manang	No Reporting	50
122	MWRH, Surkhet	On Time	100	219	DH, Mustang	On Time	80
123	BZH, Banke	No reporting	63	220	DH, Pyuthan	No Reporting	97
124	SZH, Kailali	No Reporting	35	221	DH, Rolpa	No Reporting	10
125	MZH, Kanchanpur	Late Reporting	100	229	DH, Achham	On Time	100
126	DH, Doti	On Time	93	230	DH, Baitadi	No Reporting	82
127	DH, Bardiya	No Reporting	97	235	DH, Panchthar	On Time	100
128	DH, Mahottari	No Reporting	28	237	DH, Bhojpur	No Reporting	18

129	DH, Dadeldhura	No Reporting	0	238	DH, Khotang	No Reporting	48
130	DH, Rasuwa	On Time	50	240	DH, Udayapur	No Reporting	0
131	DH, Sankhuwasabha	On Time	87	301	Bayalpata Hosp., Achham	On Time	100
132	AMDA Hosp., Jhapa	No Reporting	97				
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 www.edcd.gov.np. This bulletin is also available at the website.