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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.

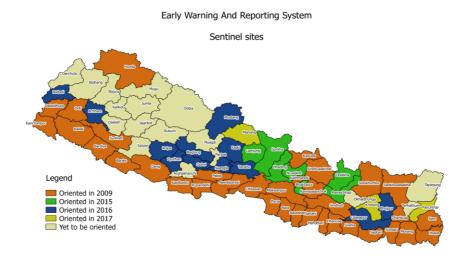
Section 1: The Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS)

Highlights

- Kala-azar: Three cases of Kala azar are reported this week, one each from Koshi Zonal Hospital, Morang, Janakpur Zonal Hospital, Dhanusha and Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi. The cases are from Morang, Dhanusha and Pyuthan district.
- Dengue: Six cases of Dengue are reported this week, 4 from Sukraraj tropical and Infectious disease hospital, Teku, one from Kanti Children Hospital, Kathmandu and one from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi district. The cases are from Mahottari Sarlahi and Rupandehi district.
- Malaria: No case of malaria is reported this week.
- **Scrub typhus:** Two cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, one each from Sukraraj tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the cases are from Dhading and Palpa district
- AGE: One death from AGE is reported this week from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and the deceased was from Rupandehi district.
- SARI: Four deaths from SARI are reported this week, two from Patan Hospital, Lalitpur and one each from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and United Mission Hospital, Palpa. The cases were from Rupandehi, Kathmandu, Nuwakot and Palpa district.

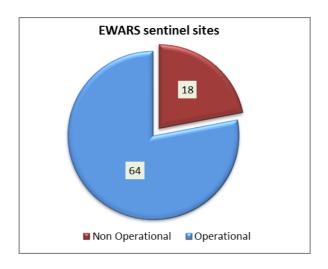
The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs)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

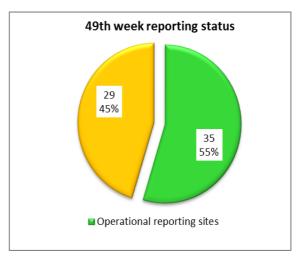
This information system is hospital-based and is currently operational in 64 hospitals (out of 82 sites) throughout Nepal (Figure 1). So far, the EWARS mainly focuses on the **weekly reporting** of number of cases and deaths (including "zero" reports) of six priority diseases/syndromes—Malaria, Kala-azar, 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 35 sentinel sites (55 percent) whereas 29 sentinel sites did not report in 49th Epidemiological week of 2017. The reporting coverage is increased as compared to the previous week.

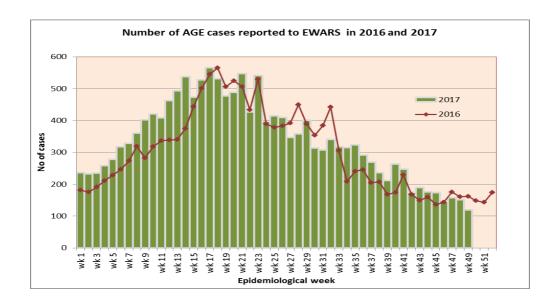




1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

121 cases of AGE are reported in 49th epidemiological week of 2017. Among 121 cases, the majority of cases are from Dhanusha (19 cases), Siraha (10 cases), Makawanpur (9 cases), Dolakha (8 cases), Kapilbastu (8 cases), Kathmandu (8 cases), Khotang (7 cases), Illam (65 cases), Bardiya (5 cases) and Syangja (5 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 49th week this year is less as the compared number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (162 cases).

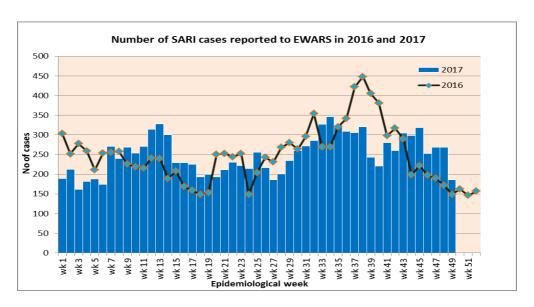
One death from AGE is reported this week from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and the deceased was from Rupandehi district. Twenty deaths from AGE are reported so far this year. Thirteen deaths from AGE were reported in 2016.



1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

188 cases of SARI are reported in 49th epidemiological week of 2017. The cases of SARI reported this week exceed the number reported in the same week last year (149 cases). Among 188 cases, the majority of cases are from Morang (24 cases), Rupandehi (20 cases), Lalitpur (14 cases), Kathmandu (13 cases), Palpa (11 cases), Sunsari (8 cases) and Surkhet (7 cases) district.

Four deaths from SARI are reported this week, two from Patan Hospital, Lalitpur and one each from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and United Mission Hospital, Palpa. The cases were from Rupandehi, Kathmandu, Nuwakot and Palpa district. Eighty one deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Seventy deaths from SARI were reported in 2016.



1.3 Enteric Fever

26 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week, including 4 from Kaski, 4 from Lamjung, 3 from Chitwan and 2 each from Baglung, Siraha and Syangja district. Three deaths from Enteric Fever are reported so far this year.

1.4 Malaria

No case of Malaria is reported this week. 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

Six cases of Dengue are reported this week, 4 from Sukraraj tropical and Infectious disease hospital, Teku, one from Kanti Children Hospital, Kathmandu and one from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi district. The cases are from Mahottari Sarlahi and Rupandehi district.

1.6 Kala-azar

Three cases of Kala azar are reported this week, one each from Koshi Zonal Hospital, Morang, Janakpur Zonal Hospital, Dhanusha and Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi. The cases are from Morang, Dhanusha and Pyuthan district.

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

1.7 Scrub Typhus

Two cases of Scrub Typhus are reported this week, one each from Sukraraj tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, Teku and United Mission Hospital, Palpa and the cases are from Dhading and Palpa district. 449 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 | No Reporting | 95 | 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 | No reporting | 95 |
| 104 | BPKIHS, Dharan | No Reporting | 97 | 138 | DH, Solukhumbu | No 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 | On Time | 100 | 201 | L. Comm DH, Lamjung | Late Reporting | 100 |
| 108 | DH, Siraha | On Time | 100 | 202 | DH, Dhading | No Reporting | 35 |
| 109 | JZH, Dhanusha | On Time | 100 | 203 | DH, Ramechhap | On Time | 100 |
| 110 | DH, Rautahat | No Reporting | 95 | 204 | Bhaktapur Hospital | No reporting | 15 |
| 111 | DH, Bara | On Time | 100 | 205 | Patan Hospital, Lalitpur | On Time | 97 |
| 112 | NSRH, Parsa | No Reporting | 95 | 206 | DH, Gorkha | No Reporting | 97 |
| 113 | DH, Makawanpur | Late Reporting | 100 | 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 | 97 |
| 116 | STH, Kathmandu | On Time | 100 | 210 | DH, Syangja | Late Reporting | 97 |
| 117 | UMH, Palpa | On Time | 100 | 211 | DH, Tanahun | No Reporting | 80 |
| 118 | PCH, Nawalparasi | No Reporting | 97 | 212 | WRH, Kaski | On Time | 100 |
| 119 | PBH, Kapilbastu | On Time | 100 | 214 | DH, Gulmi | On Time | 100 |
| 120 | LZH, Rupandehi | On Time | 100 | 215 | DZH, Baglung | On Time | 100 |
| 121 | RSRH Dang | On Time | 100 | 218 | DH, Manang | No Reporting | 45 |
| 122 | MWRH, Surkhet | On Time | 100 | 219 | DH, Mustang | On Time | 82 |
| 123 | BZH, Banke | No reporting | 55 | 220 | DH, Pyuthan | No Reporting | 92 |
| 124 | SZH, Kailali | No Reporting | 30 | 221 | DH, Rolpa | No Reporting | 10 |
| 125 | MZH, Kanchanpur | No Reporting | 97 | 229 | DH, Achham | On Time | 100 |
| 126 | DH, Doti | On Time | 97 | 230 | DH, Baitadi | No Reporting | 78 |
| 127 | DH, Bardiya | On Time | 100 | 235 | DH, Panchthar | No Reporting | 97 |
| 128 | DH, Mahottari | No Reporting | 25 | 237 | DH, Bhojpur | No Reporting | 18 |
| 129 | DH, Dadeldhura | No Reporting | 0 | 238 | DH, Khotang | On Time | 52 |
| 130 | DH, Rasuwa | No Reporting | 40 | 240 | DH, Udayapur | No Reporting | 0 |
| 131 | DH, Sankhuwasabha | No Reporting | 85 | 301 | Bayalpata Hosp., Achham | On Time | 100 |
| 132 | AMDA Hosp., Jhapa | No Reporting | 92 | | | | |
| 133 | DH, Chautara | On Time | 100 | | | Excellent (>80) | |
| 134 | DH, Sarlahi | Late reporting | 100 | | | Satisfactory (50-79) | |

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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.