



Bulletin on Avian Influenza in Cambodia

UN system in Cambodia

Update on the Avian Influenza Situation
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I. Latest information on Avian Influenza in Cambodia

1. Country situation: Animal Health

The animal health hotline received nine calls from Phnom Penh, Prey Veng, Siem Reap, Kampong Cham, Preah Vihear and Pailin Provinces. Seven callers asked about the clinical signs of AI, transmission routes from poultry to poultry, and prevention measures.

Two calls from Kampong Cham and Pailin provinces reported on sick and dying chickens and ducks. The provincial and district vets went to the villages with suspected AI cases and found that the avian influenza is not the cause of the illness or deaths.

During the week, the National Veterinary Research Institute(NaVRI) received 14 samples of different sparrows types taken from Wat Phnom resort and Riverside in Phnom Penh..The results were negative for H5N1 virus.

2. Country situation: Human Health

During week 4 the MOH hotline made 17 calls out (returning missed calls) and received 15 calls. 27 callers asked about signs and symptoms of avian influenza in humans and 5 calls involved animal health and was referred to MAFF. Calls came from Kandal, Prey Veng, Takeo, Kampot, Kampong Cham, Battambang, Siem Reap, Koh Kong, Stung Treng and Phnom Penh.

No suspected human cases of AI this week.

The Influenza-Like-Illness (ILI) surveillance last week found mostly influenza type B.

II. Upcoming Avian and Pandemic Influenza events in Cambodia

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| 30-31 Jan | Stung Treng AI Community Forums (2), MEDICAM/UNICEF |
| 12 Feb | Regular API Partnership meeting at UN conference room, 53 Pasteur Street (gate 1). 14.30-16.00 |
| 26-27 Feb | Rattanakiri AI Community Forums (2), MEDICAM/UNICEF |
| 4-14 March | MPAT TE 14 Exercise co-hosted by the US Pacific Command and the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces (RCAF) on testing response capacity for natural disasters and pandemic influenza. |
| 11 March | Regular API Partnership meeting at UN conference room, 53 Pasteur Street (gate 1). 14.30-16.00 |
| 11-13 March | Mondulkiri AI Community Forums (3), MEDICAM/UNICEF |
| March | Step 4 in Siem Reap provincial pandemic planning pilot |
| 8 April | Regular API Partnership meeting at UN conference room, 53 Pasteur Street (gate 1). 14.30-16.00 |
| May | Step 5 in Siem Reap provincial pandemic planning pilot |

III. International issues

Click these links for the latest updates of the global situation on Avian Influenza:

<http://un-influenza.org>

http://www.hewsweb.org/avian_flu/