



## **Bulletin on Avian Influenza in Cambodia**

### **UN system in Cambodia**

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

#### **1. Country situation: Animal Health**

From 17 to 24 July 2008, the animal health hotline at the National Veterinary Research Institute (NaVRI) received 9 calls from Phnom Penh, Pursat, Prey Veng, Battambang, Kampong Cham and Kampong Chhnang provinces asking information about avian influenza such as: What to do when one chicken is sick or dead? What are the clinical signs of AI in poultry? What are the prevention measures for AI and other poultry diseases?

During the week, NaVRI received 5 samples of different types of sparrows collected by the Wildlife Conservation Society from the Riverside and Wat Phnom resort in Phnom Penh. The laboratory tests are confirmed negative for HPAI virus through egg inoculation.

#### **2. Country situation: Human Health**

From 17 to 24 July, the Ministry of Health (MOH) hotline made 37 calls out and received 42 calls from Phnom Penh, Takeo, Phnom Penh, Kampong Cham, Kampong Chhnang, Svay Rieng, Prey Veng, Siem Reap, Banteay Meanchey, Battambang, Ratanakiri and Kratie provinces. 70 callers asked about signs and symptoms of avian influenza in humans and 9 callers asked about animal health. The callers asked for clarification on what is AI and reported about the suspected sick poultry.

Four (4) humans AI suspected found last week but negative for H5 after the investigation.

Ministry of Health has completed the 4 regional workshops which were conducted to disseminate the rapid containment guideline and develop the plan and responsibility of the health officers in 24 provinces to respond to the early stage of Pandemic Influenza.

## **II. Upcoming Avian and Pandemic Influenza events in Cambodia**

12 August Monthly AHI Partnership meeting at UN conference room, 53 Pasteur Street (gate 1). 14.30-16:00

25-27 August Mekong Basin Disease Surveillance (MBDS) Regional Forum in Phnom Penh, Cambodia (<http://www.mbdsoffice.com>)

## **III. Recent news/publications**

Situation update as of 23 July 2008 for HPAI (by FAO) including summaries of confirmed HPAI outbreaks in affected countries (attached as PDF file).

## **IV. International issues**

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

<http://www.un-influenza.org>

[http://www.hewsworld.org/avian\\_flu/](http://www.hewsworld.org/avian_flu/)

<http://ochaonline.un.org/roap>

<http://ochaonline.un.org/roap/WhatWeDo/PandemicPreparedness/tabid/4304/Default.aspx>

<http://www.influenza.undg.org>

<http://www.un-pic.org/web>

[http://www.who.int/csr/disease/avian\\_influenza/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/csr/disease/avian_influenza/en/index.html)

<http://www.fao.org/avianflu/en/index.html>

<http://www.hpai-research.net>