



Bulletin on Avian Influenza in Cambodia

UN system in Cambodia

Update on the Avian Influenza Situation (as of 12th September 2008)

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I. Latest information on Avian Influenza in Cambodia

1. Country situation: Animal Health

From 5 -12 September, the animal health hotline at the National Veterinary Research Institute (NaVRI) received 7 calls from Phnom Penh, Pursat, Prey Veng and Kampong Speu provinces asking information about avian influenza such as: What to do when one chicken is sick or death? What are the clinical signs of AI in poultry? What are the prevention measures?

During the week, NaVRI received 9 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 negative for HPAI virus through egg inoculation.

2. Country situation: Human Health

From 5 to 12 September, the Ministry of Health hotline made 23 calls out and received 22 calls from Phnom Penh, Kandal, Kampong Cham, Kampong Speu, Svay Rieng, Banteay Meanchey, Kampot, Takeo, Ordor Meanchey, and Koh Kong provinces. The caller asked about signs and symptoms of AI suspected, clarified suspected AI patient and reported about sick/dead poultry and referred to animal health department.

35 callers asked about signs and symptoms of avian influenza in human and 10 callers asked about the animal health.

There is no human AI suspected case found this week.

The training and simulation on Rapid Containment and Simulation exercise are ongoing.

II. Upcoming Avian and Pandemic Influenza events in Cambodia

19 September	Community Forum on Avian Influenza organized by MAFF/FAO in Bakan District, Pursat Province
24 September	Market Forum on Avian Influenza organized by MAFF/FAO in Kampot Province
26 September	Market Forum on Avian Influenza organized by MAFF/FAO in Takeo Province
8-10 October	FAO Workshop on Avian Influenza Research Activities in Cambodia, Sihanoukville
10 October	Market Forum on Avian Influenza organized by MAFF/FAO in Sihanoukville
12-14 October	FAO-AED Avian Influenza Education Session at the US Medical/Dental Mission in Sihanouk Ville
14 October	<i>Monthly AHI Partnership meeting at UN conference room, 53 Pasteur Street (gate 1). 14.30-16:00</i>
31 October-7 November	Avian Influenza Epidemiology Training Course, organized by DAHP/NaVRI, USDA, CSU and AVEPM in Sihanouk Ville
25-26 October	The Sixth International Ministerial Conference on Avian and Pandemic Influenza, Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt

III. Recent news/publications

1. Situation update as of 100908 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://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.fao.org/avianflu/en/index.html>

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

<http://www.gains.org>