# Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS) Weekly Bulletin (52nd Epidemiological Week)

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

Highlights
<ul> <li>Dengue: Two cases of Dengue are reported this week from Sukraraj Tropical and infectious disease hospital, Teku and the cases are from Sarlahi district. A total of 1529 Dengue cases including one death(on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2016) have been reported from 30 different districts since January 2016 out of which 687 cases from Chitwan and 405 cases from Jhapa district.</li> </ul>
• Scrub Typhus: A total of 831 cases of Scrub Typhus cases including 14 deaths have been reported from 47 different districts of Nepal Since July, 2016. Out of which 535 cases are from Chitwan District and 194 from Kailali district.
• Kala-azar: No case of Kala-azar is reported this week.
Malaria: No case of malaria is reported this week.
No death from AGE and SARI is reported this week.

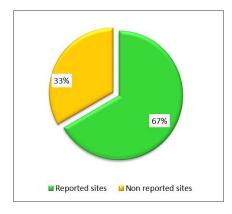
The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) can be mobilized at short notice to facilitate prompt outbreak response at Central, Regional and District level. They can also support local level health institutions for investigation and outbreak control activities.

This information system is hospital-based and is currently operational in 60 hospitals (out of 81 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**

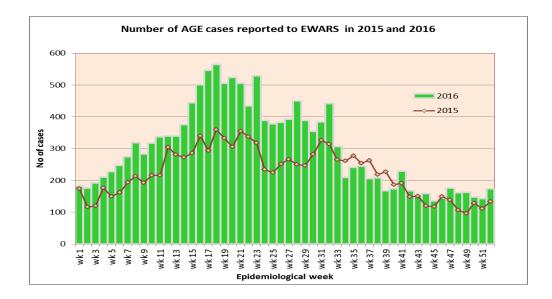
Out of 60 functional EWARS sentinel sites, report was received from 40 sentinel sites (67 percent) whereas 20 sentinel sites did not report in 52<sup>nd</sup> Epidemiological week. The reporting coverage is increased as compared to the previous week.



## 1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

174 cases of AGE are reported in 52<sup>nd</sup> epidemiological week of 2016. Among 174 cases, the majority of cases are from Kathmandu (22 cases), Dolakha (16 cases), Morang (15 cases), Dhanusha (12 cases), Kapilvastu (9 cases), Mahottari (7 cases), Surkhet (6 cases), Lamjung (6 cases), Rupandehi (6 cases) and Tanahu (5 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 52<sup>nd</sup> week this year exceeds the number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (134 cases).

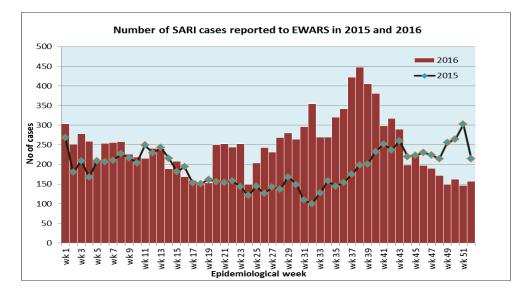
No death from AGE is reported this week. Thirteen deaths from AGE are reported so far this year.



• **Cholera:** A total 169 cholera cases were confirmed by the National Public Health Laboratory so far since 30 June, 31 cases in Kathmandu, 119 cases in Lalitpur, 1 in Bhaktapur, 1 in Kavre, 6 in Dhading, 3 in Saptari and 8 from unidentified place.

## 1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

157 cases of SARI are reported in 52<sup>nd</sup> epidemiological week of 2016. The cases of SARI reported this week did not exceed the number reported in the same week last year (214 cases). Among 157 cases, the majority of cases are from Rupandehi (22 cases), Morang (20 cases), Jhapa (17 cases), Saptari (10 cases), Lalitpur (9 cases), Kathmandu ( 8 cases), Sunsari (7 cases), Baitadi (5 cases), Bhojpur (4 cases), Dhankuta (4 cases), Kanchanpur( 4 cases) and Kapilvastu(4 cases) districts.



No death from SARI is reported this week. Seventy deaths from SARI are reported so far this year.

### **1.3 Enteric Fever**

20 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week, including 5 from Lamjung and 4 from Kaski, 2 from Kavre, 2 from Saptari and one each from Dhading, Jhapa, Palpa, Ramechhap, Rolpa, Sindhuli and Siraha.

### 1.4 Malaria

No case of malaria is reported this week. Eighty three cases of Malaria are reported so far this year. Ninety cases of Malaria were reported through EWARS in 2015.

### 1.5 Dengue

Two cases of Dengue are reported this week from Sukraraj Tropical and infectious disease hospital, Teku and the cases are from Sarlahi district.

A total of 1529 Dengue cases including one death have been reported from 30 different districts since January 2016 out of which 687 cases from Chitwan and 405 cases from Jhapa, 164 from Rupandehi, 82 from Makawanpur, 37 from Banke, 25 from Bardiya, 22 from Surkhet, 14 from Kailali, 9 from Morang, 8 from Dang, 30 from Sarlahi, 7 from Parsa, 3 from Nawalparasi, 4 from Dhading, 3 from Kapilvastu, 4 from Bara, 5 from Kathmandu, 2 from Kanchanpur, 3 from Mahottari, 4 from Sunsari, 2 from Kavre one each from Lalitpur, Saptari, Kaski, Syangja, Baglung, Kalikot, Rukum, Sunsari, Pyuthan and Baitadi.

### 1.6 Kala-azar

No case of Kala-azar is reported this week. 150 cases of Kala-azar 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 (%)	Completen ess (%)
101	Mechi ZH, Jhapa	On time	100	130	DH, Rasuwa	No reporting	40
102	Koshi ZH, Morang	On time	100	131	DH, Sankhuwasabha	No reporting	0
103	DH, Sunsari	On time	100	132	AMDA Hosp., Jhapa	On time	100
104	BPKIHS, Dharan	On time	100	133	DH, Chautara	On time	100
105	DH, Dhankuta	On time	100	134	DH, Sarlahi	On time	100
106	SZH, Saptari	On time	100	135	DH, Sindhuli	On time	92
107	RKUP Lahan, Siraha	On time	100	136	DH, Illam	On time	100
108	DH, Siraha	On time	100	137	Dhulikhel H., Kavre	On time	96
109	JZH, Dhanusha	On time	100	138	DH, Solukhumbu	No reporting	48
110	DH, Rautahat	On time	94	139	DH, Dolpa	No reporting	0
111	DH, Bara	No reporting	0	140	DH, Humla	No reporting	0
112	NSRH, Parsa	No reporting	63	201	Lamjung Comm DH, Lamjung	On time	100
113	DH, Makawanpur	On time	100	202	DH, Dhading	No reporting	88
114	NZH, Chitwan	On time	98	203	DH, Ramechhap	On time	100
115	Kanti CH, Kathmandu	On time	90	204	Bhaktapur Hospital	No reporting	48
116	STH, Kathmandu	On time	100	205	Patan Hospital, Lalitpur	On time	92
117	UMH, Palpa	On time	100	206	DH, Gorkha	No reporting	84
118	PCH, Nawalparasi	On time	100	207	DH Trishuli , Nuwakot	No reporting	5
119	PBH, Kapilvastu	On time	100	208	Charikot PHCC, Dolakha	On time	90
120	LZH, Rupandehi	On time	100	209	Jiri H, Dolakha	On time	100
121	RSRH Dang	On time	100	210	DH, Syangja	No reporting	96
122	MWRH, Surkhet	On time	89	211	DH, Tanahun	On time	90
123	BZH, Banke	No reporting	8	212	WRH, Kaski	On time	100
124	SZH, Kailali	No reporting	34	214	DH, Gulmi	On time	88
125	MZH, Kanchanpur	On time	100	215	DZH, Baglung	On time	100
126	DH, Doti	No reporting	90	219	DH, Mustang	No reporting	78
127	DH, Bardiya	No reporting	98	220	DH, Pyuthan	On time	100
128	DH, Mahottari	On time	95	221	DH, Rolpa	No reporting	28
129	DH, Dadeldhura	No reporting	0	229	DH, Achham	No reporting	70
	•			230	DH, Baitadi	On time	95
				237	DH, Bhojpur	On time	84
				240	DH, Udaypur	No reporting	78
					Excellent (>80)		
					Satisfactory (50-79)		

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