

**Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS)**

# **Weekly Bulletin**

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This bulletin includes the updates from the Early Warning Reporting System (EWARS). It includes data since January 2016 till date, including comparison of same period during last year.

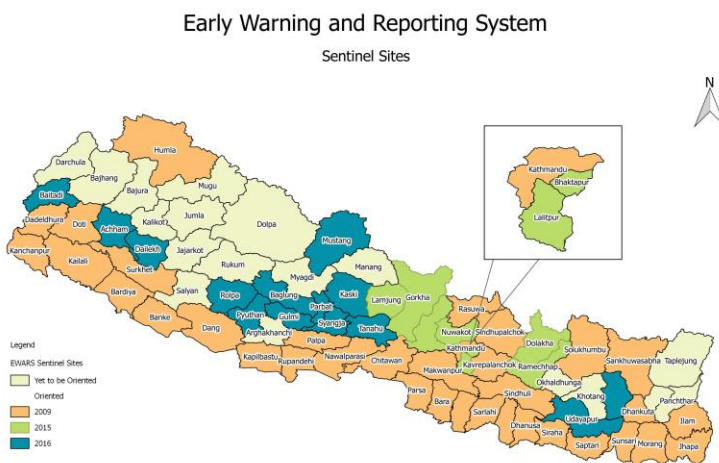
## Section 1: The Early Warning and Reporting System (EWARS)

### Highlights

- **Kala-azar:** Three cases of Kala-azar are reported this week, two from Koshi Zonal Hospital, Morang and one from United Mission Hospital, Palpa. The cases are from Bhojpur, Morang and Palpa district
- One case of Malaria (*Plasmodium Falciparum*) is reported this week from Western Regional Hospital, Kaski and the case is from Syangja district.
- One case of Leptospirosis is reported from Lumbini Zonal Hospital, Rupandehi and the case is from Rudrapur VDC of Rupandehi district.
- No case of dengue is reported this week.
- No death from AGE and SARI is reported this week.

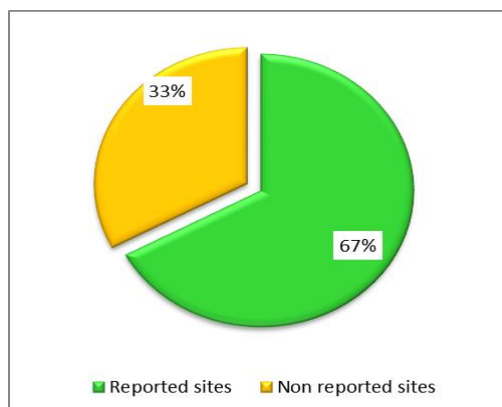
The EWARS was established in 1997 to strengthen the flow of information on vector-borne and other outbreak prone infectious diseases from the district to Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) and Vector-Borne Disease Research and Training Center (VBDRTC), Hetauda. Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) 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 61 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

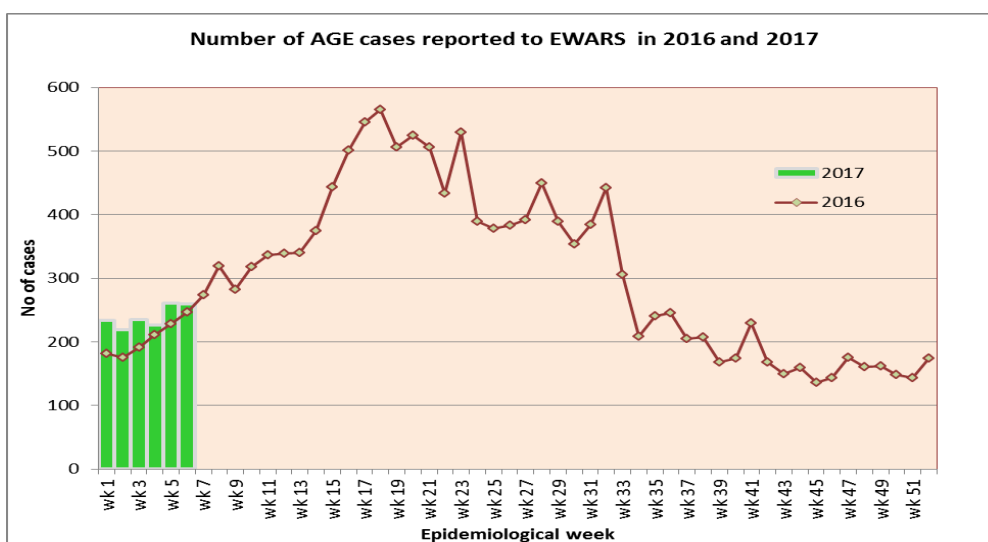
Out of 61 functional EWARS sentinel sites, report was received from 41 sentinel sites (67 percent) whereas 20 sentinel sites did not report in 6<sup>th</sup> Epidemiological week of 2017. The reporting coverage is increased as compared to the previous week.



### 1.1 Acute Gastro-Enteritis and Cholera

260 cases of AGE are reported in 6<sup>th</sup> epidemiological week of 2017. Among 260 cases, the majority of cases are from Dolakha (32 cases), Kathmandu (28 cases), Achham (19 cases), Ramechhap (14 cases), Dhanusha (12 cases), Morang (12 cases) Makawanpur (12 cases), Ilam (11 cases), Lamjung (11 cases) and Rupandehi (11 cases) district. The number of AGE cases reported in 6<sup>th</sup> week this year slightly exceeds the number of AGE cases reported in the same week last year (247 cases).

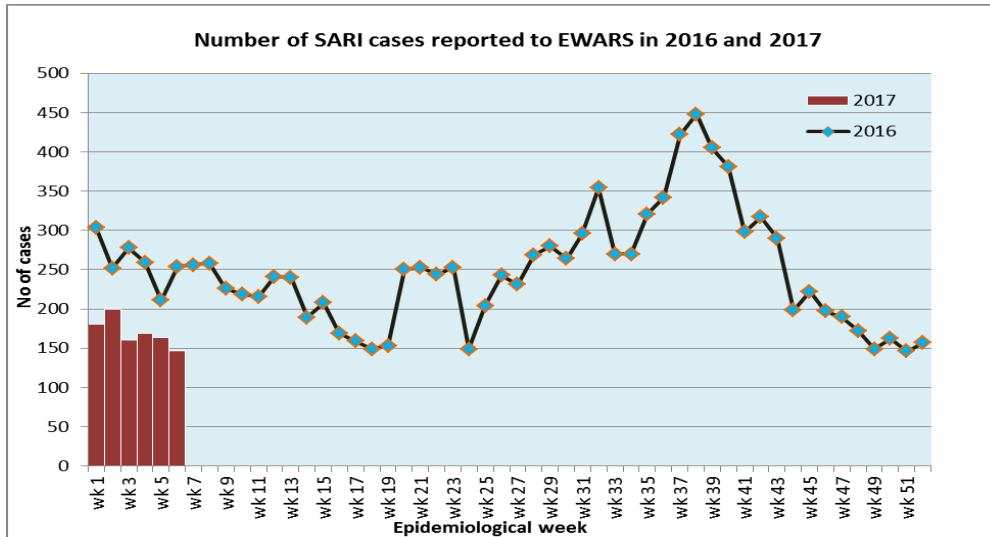
No death from AGE is reported this week. Three deaths from AGE are reported so far this year. Thirteen deaths from AGE were reported in 2016.



## 1.2 Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI)

147 cases of SARI are reported in 6<sup>th</sup> epidemiological week of 2017. The cases of SARI reported this week did not exceed the number reported in the same week last year (254 cases). Among 147 cases, the majority of cases are from Rupandehi (19 cases), Kathmandu (10 cases), Gorkha (8 cases), Siraha (7 cases), Saptari (7 cases), Morang (7 cases), Lalitpur (7 cases), Dang (6 cases) and Palpa (6 cases) district.

No death from SARI is reported this week. Four deaths from SARI are reported so far this year. Seventy deaths from SARI were reported in 2016.



## 1.3 Enteric Fever

28 cases of Enteric fever are reported this week, including 4 from Chitwan, 3 each from Saptari and Kaski and two each from Kathmandu, Lamjung, Siraha, Surkhet and Tanahu district.

## 1.4 Malaria

One case of Malaria (*Plasmodium Falciparum*) is reported this week from Western Regional Hospital, Kaski and the case is from Syangja district. Eighty three cases of Malaria were reported through EWARS in 2016.

## 1.5 Dengue

No case of Dengue is reported this week. Three cases of Dengue are reported so far this year.

## 1.6 Kala-azar

Three cases of Kala-azar are reported this week, two from Koshi Zonal Hospital, Morang and one from United Mission Hospital, Palpa. The cases are from Bhojpur, Morang and Palpa district. Twenty five cases of Kala-azar cases are reported so far this year. 150 cases of Kala-azar were reported through EWARS in 2016.

## Timeliness & completeness of reporting from sentinel sites:

Site Code	Sentinel Sites	Timeliness (this week)	Completeness (%)	Site code	Sentinel Sites	Timeliness (%)	Completeness (%)
101	Mechi ZH, Jhapa	No reporting	83	130	DH, Rasuwa	No reporting	0
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	100
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	100
109	JZH, Dhanusha	On time	100	138	DH, Solukhumbu	No reporting	0
110	DH, Rautahat	On time	100	139	DH, Dolpa	No reporting	0
111	DH, Bara	No reporting	0	140	DH, Humla	No reporting	0
112	NSRH, Parsa	No reporting	66	201	Lamjung Comm DH, Lamjung	On time	100
113	DH, Makawanpur	On time	100	202	DH, Dhading	No reporting	0
114	NZH, Chitwan	On time	100	203	DH, Ramechhap	On time	100
115	Kanti CH, Kathmandu	On time	100	204	Bhaktapur Hospital	No reporting	0
116	STH, Kathmandu	On time	100	205	Patan Hospital, Lalitpur	On time	100
117	UMH, Palpa	On time	100	206	DH, Gorkha	On time	100
118	PCH, Nawalparasi	On time	100	207	DH Trishuli, Nuwakot	No reporting	0
119	PBH, Kapilvastu	On time	100	208	Charikot PHCC, Dolakha	On time	100
120	LZH, Rupandehi	On time	100	209	Jiri H, Dolakha	On time	100
121	RSRH Dang	On time	100	210	DH, Syangja	No reporting	0
122	MWRH, Surkhet	On time	100	211	DH, Tanahun	On time	100
123	BZH, Banke	On time	100	212	WRH, Kaski	On time	100
124	SZH, Kailali	No reporting	0	214	DH, Gulmi	No reporting	83
125	MZH, Kanchanpur	On time	100	215	DZH, Baglung	On time	100
126	DH, Doti	On time	100	219	DH, Mustang	No reporting	0
127	DH, Bardiya	On time	100	220	DH, Pyuthan	On time	100
128	DH, Mahottari	No reporting	0	221	DH, Rolpa	No reporting	0
129	DH, Dadeldhura	No reporting	0	229	DH, Achham	On time	100
				230	DH, Baitadi	No reporting	50
				237	DH, Bhojpur	On time	100
				240	DH, Udaypur	No reporting	0
				301	Bayalpata Hospital, Achham	No reporting	50

Excellent (>80)
Satisfactory (50-79)
Bad(<50)

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**Note:** EWARS reporting form (in MS Excel format) is available at EDCCD's official website [www.edcd.gov.np](http://www.edcd.gov.np). This bulletin is also available at the website.