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**Epidemiological Report | Week # 10– 2026** **10 (08 - 14 March, 2026)**

**Summary:**

Out of **613** functional surveillance sentinel sites, **605 (98.7 %)** submitted reports this week.

A total of **612,906** new consultations were reported, among which **223,210 (36.4%)** were due to surveillance-targeted diseases, which include **114,765 (51.4%)** females and **105,546 (47.3%)** children under five.

The most frequently reported surveillance-targeted diseases this week were ARI cough & cold with **152,252** cases (**24.8%**), acute diarrheal diseases with **39,495** cases (**6.4%**), and pneumonia with **27,873** cases (**4.5%**).

A total of **476** deaths were reported this week, of which **60 (16%)** deaths were due to surveillance-targeted diseases. This includes **53 ARI pneumonia** deaths, **5 suspected meningitis** deaths and **2 measles** deaths

During this week, 56 outbreaks were reported: **6 measles** outbreaks, **20 scabies** outbreaks, **4 pertussis** outbreaks, **13 chickenpox** outbreaks, **2 mumps** outbreaks, **2 pneumonia** outbreaks, **7 dog bite/suspected rabies outbreaks**, **1 leishmania** outbreak, and **1 typhoid fever** outbreak.

**Table 1: Top 7 priority infectious diseases cases and deaths out of total consultations in Week 10-2026**

Top 7 Diseases	Cases				Deaths				Total				CFR
	Male		Female		Male		Female		Cases		Deaths		
	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	Number	%	Number	%	
AWD with Dehydration	438	329	374	360	0	0	0	0	1501	0.2	0	0.0	0.00
ARI-Pneumonia	9400	4594	8537	5342	22	8	21	2	27873	4.5	53	14.1	0.19
Measles	294	54	234	80	2	0	0	0	662	0.1	2	0.5	0.30
CCHF	0	8	0	6	0	0	0	0	14	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
Confirmed Malaria	20	74	17	80	0	0	0	0	191	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
Dengue Fever	0	8	0	3	0	0	0	0	11	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
Covid-19	1	611	2	583	0	0	0	0	1197	0.2	0	0.0	0.00



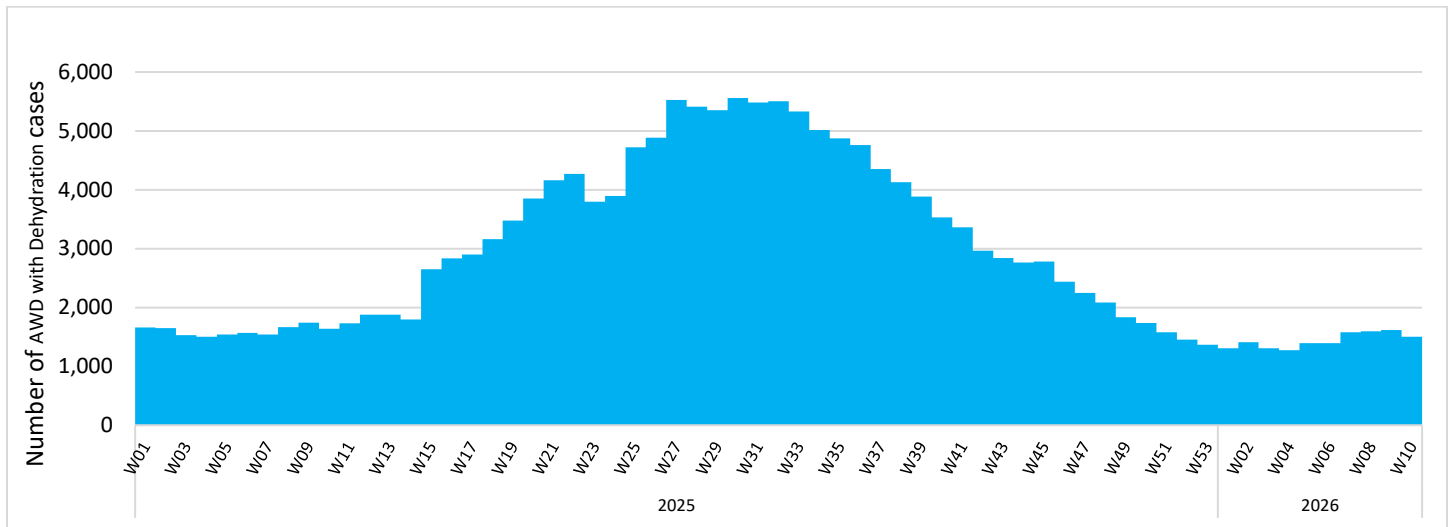
**Table 2: Cumulative data on 17 surveillance priority diseases (W10, 2026)**

Surveillance Indicators	Cases				Deaths				Total				CFR
	Male		Female		Male		Female		Cases		Deaths		
	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	Number	%	Number	%	
<b>AWD with Dehydration</b>	4,257	3,032	3,934	3,165	4	1	0	1	14,388	0.2	6	0.1	0.04
<b>Acute Bloody Diarrhea</b>	21,547	24,337	19,737	25,131	0	0	0	0	90,752	1.3	0	0.0	0.00
<b>AFP</b>	89	62	83	43	0	0	0	0	277	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Acute Viral Hepatitis</b>	447	538	394	577	9	7	2	4	1,956	0.0	22	0.5	1.12
<b>Acute Watery Diarrhea</b>	75,204	45,823	71,448	50,996	0	0	0	0	243,471	3.6	0	0.0	0.00
<b>ARI-C&amp;C</b>	375,338	504,126	362,741	584,891	0	0	0	0	1,827,096	26.9	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Probable Diphtheria</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>CCHF</b>	0	48	0	28	0	0	0	1	76	0.0	1	0.0	1.32
<b>Confirmed Malaria</b>	138	695	109	583	0	0	0	0	1,525	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Measles</b>	2,590	520	2,193	566	20	1	8	0	5,869	0.1	29	0.6	0.49
<b>Covid-19</b>	17	6,912	61	7,074	0	0	0	0	14,064	0.2	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Pertussis</b>	143	15	129	13	0	0	0	0	300	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>ARI-Pneumonia</b>	126,615	63,882	114,855	73,863	363	76	290	62	379,215	5.6	791	17.7	0.21
<b>Meningitis</b>	433	311	372	288	23	14	21	10	1,404	0.0	68	1.5	4.84
<b>Dengue Fever</b>	0	67	0	30	0	0	0	0	97	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Neonatal Tetanus</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Typhoid Fever</b>	312	4,662	297	5,765	0	0	0	0	11,036	0.2	0	0.0	0.00
<b>NDSR targeted diseases/Deaths</b>	<b>607,130</b>	<b>655,030</b>	<b>576,353</b>	<b>753,013</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>2,591,526</b>	<b>38.2</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0.04</b>
<b>Total of new clients/ death</b>	<b>1,067,696</b>	<b>1,847,906</b>	<b>1,031,840</b>	<b>2,832,274</b>	<b>1,332</b>	<b>1,223</b>	<b>1,014</b>	<b>904</b>	<b>6,779,716</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>4,473</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.07</b>

### Epidemic situation of AWD with dehydration:

- The epi-curve of AWD with dehydration illustrates a gradual increase since week 07-2026.
- During 10<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 1,501 cases and 0 death have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, 812 (54%) were under-five children, and 734 (49%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 14,388 AWD + dehydration cases and 6 deaths (CFR=0.04%) have been reported. Of these cases 8,191 (56.9%) are children under five and 7,099 (49.3%) are females.

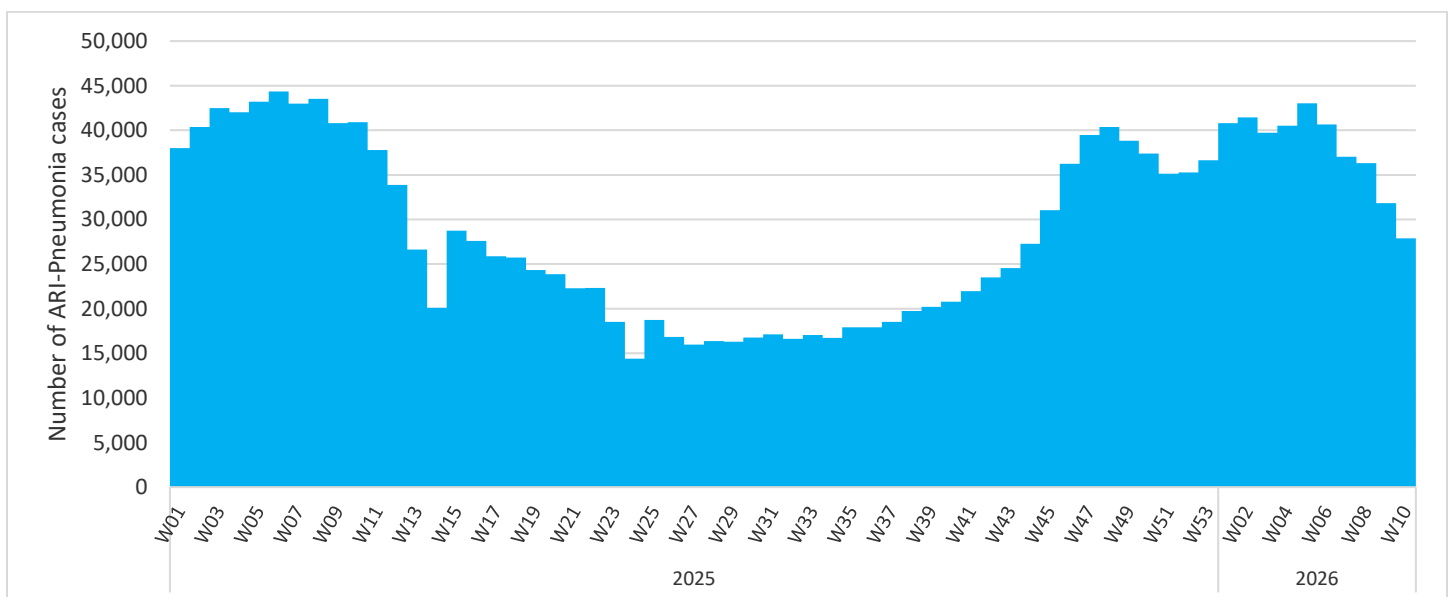
**Figure 2: Epidemic curve of AWD with dehydration cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 10, 2026)**



### Epidemic situation of ARI pneumonia:

- The epi-curve of ARI pneumonia illustrates a notable decrease since week 06-2026.
- During the 10<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 27,873 cases and 53 deaths have been reported (CFR=0.2%)
- Out of the total cases, 17,937 (64.3%) were under-five children, and 13,879 (49.7%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 379,215 ARI pneumonia cases and 791 deaths (CFR=0.2%) have been reported. Of these cases 241,470 (63.6%) are children under five and 188,718 (49.7%) are females.

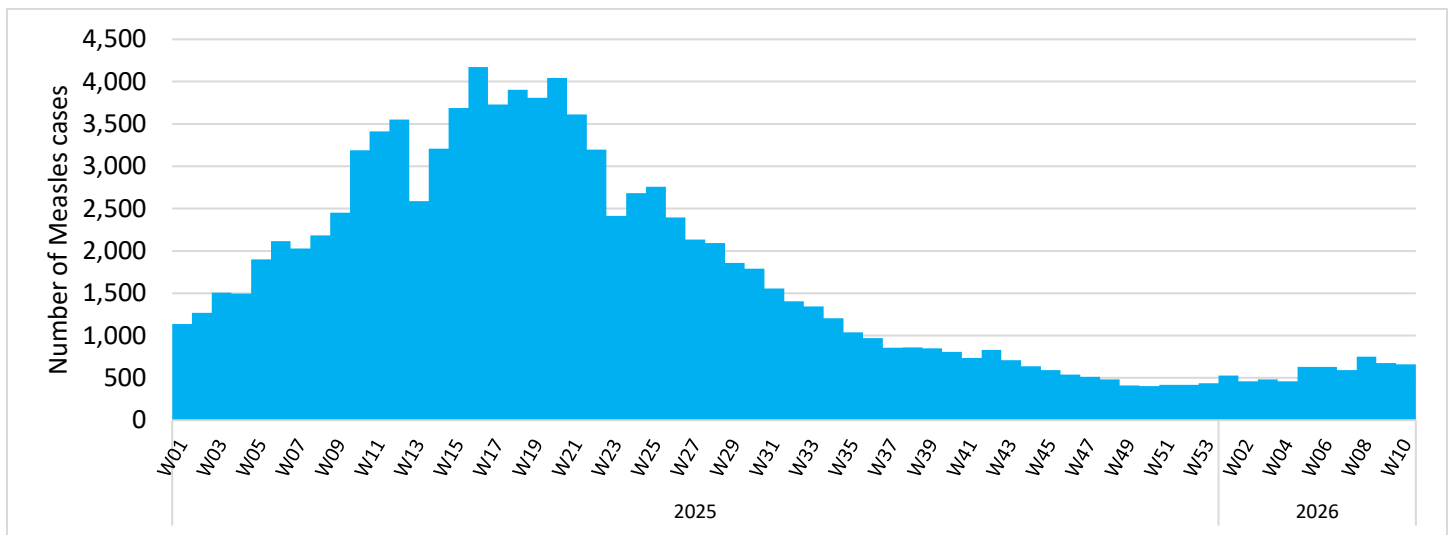
**Figure 3: Epidemic curve of ARI pneumonia cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 10, 2026)**



### Epidemic situation of measles:

- The epi-curve of measles illustrates a notable increase since week 05-2026.
- During the 10<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 662 cases and 2 deaths have been reported (CFR=0.3%)
- Out of the total cases, 528 (79.7%) were under-five children, and 314 (47.4%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 5,869 measles cases and 29 deaths (CFR=0.5%) have been reported. Of these cases 4,783 (81.5%) are children under five and 2,759 (47%) are females.

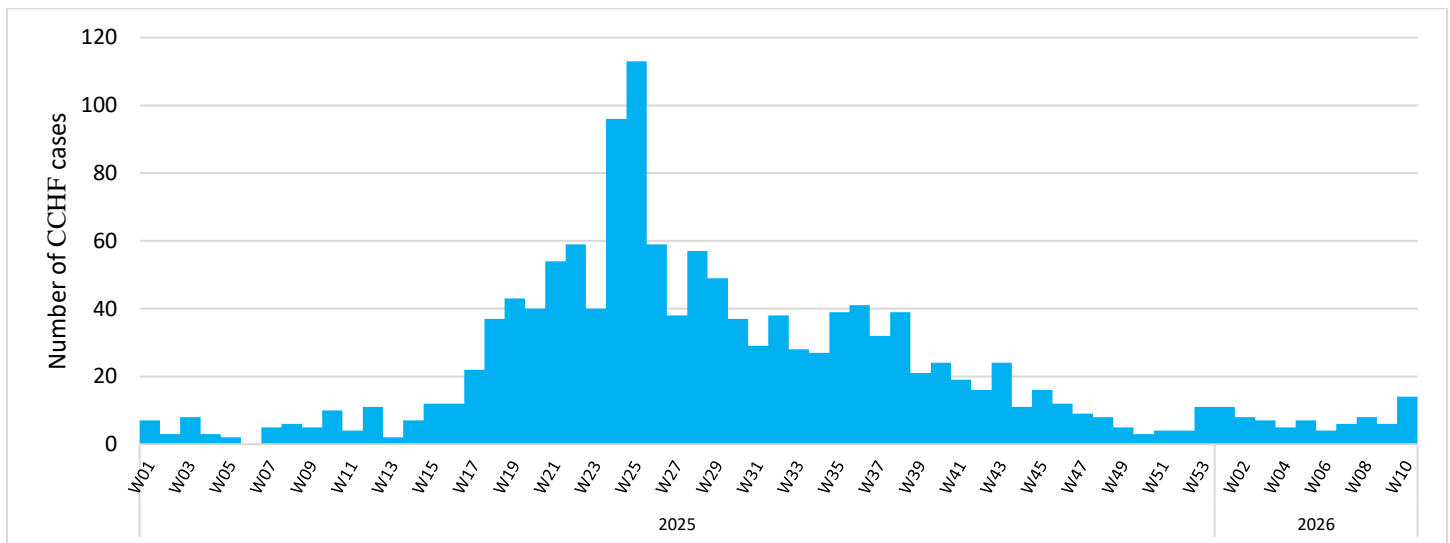
Figure 4: Epidemic curve of suspected measles cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 10, 2026)



### Epidemic situation of CCHF:

- The epi-curve of suspected CCHF cases has shown a gradual decrease since week 25-2025.
- During week 10<sup>th</sup> 2026, a total of 14 cases and 0 death have been reported (CFR= 0%)
- Out of the total cases, none of them children under five, and 6 of them (42.8%) was females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 76 suspected CCHF cases and 1 death (CFR=1.3%) have been reported. Of these cases 0 (0.0%) are children under five and 28 (36.8%) are females.

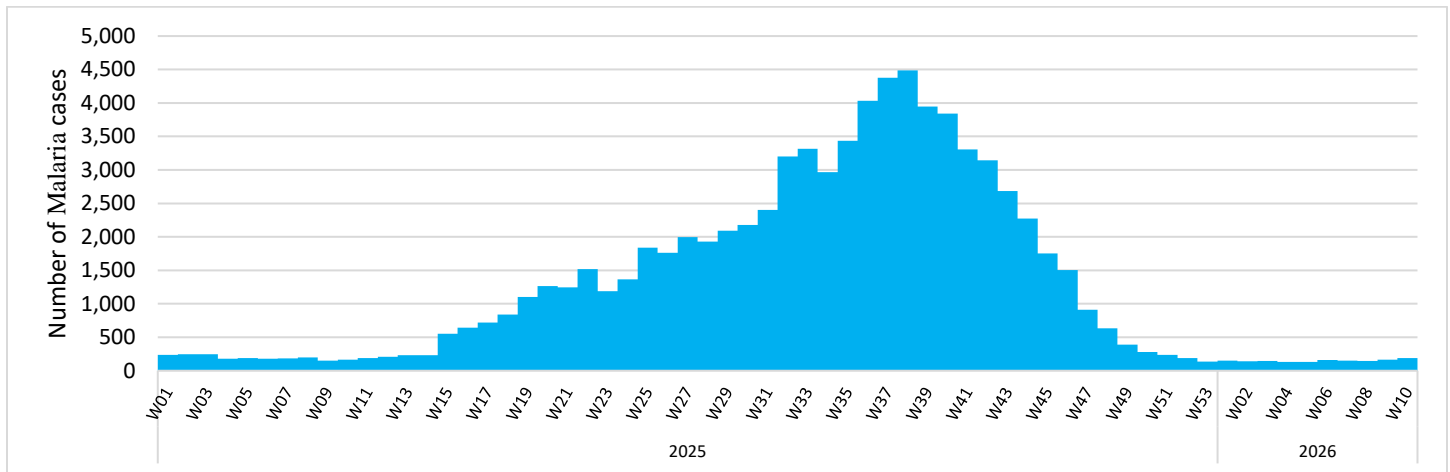
Figure 5: Epidemic curve of suspected CCHF cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 10, 2026)



### Epidemic situation of malaria:

- The epi-curve of confirmed malaria illustrates a considerable decrease since week 39-2025.
- During 10<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 191 cases and zero deaths have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, 37 (19.3%) were children under-five, and 97 (50.7%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 1,525 confirmed malaria cases and zero deaths have been reported. Of these cases 247 (16.1%) are children under-five, and 692 (45.4%) are females.

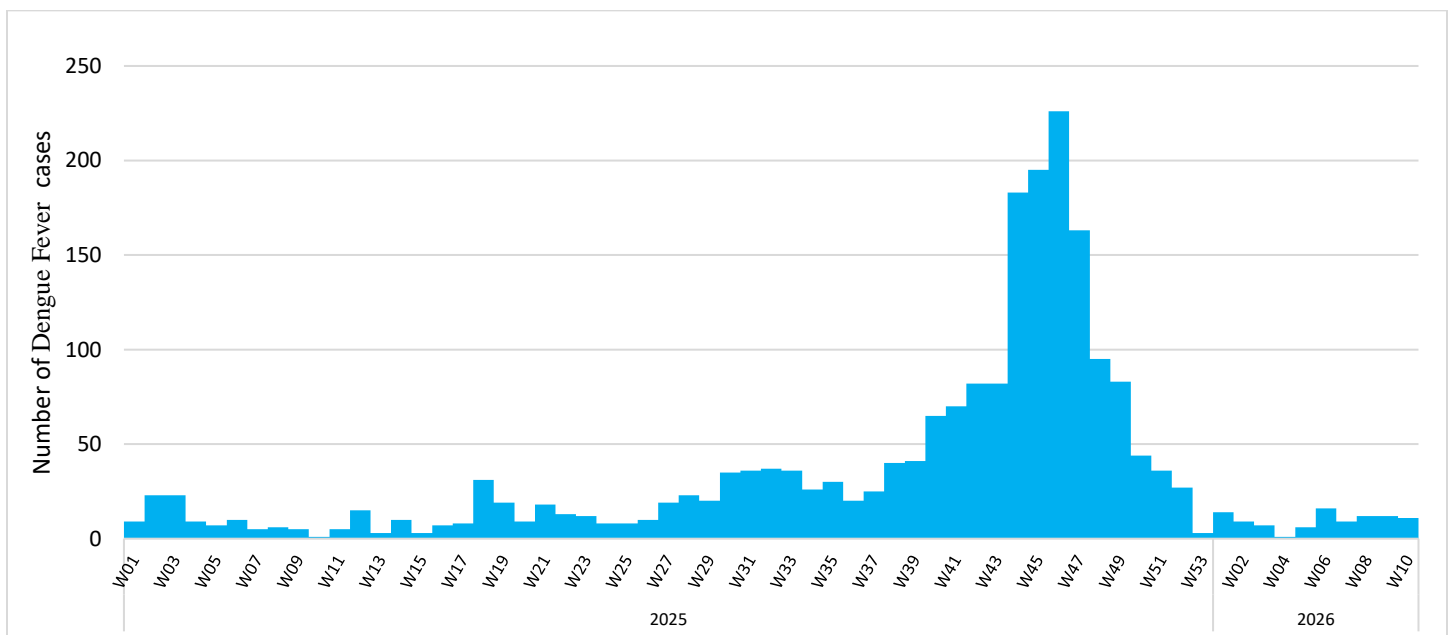
**Figure 6: Th Epidemic curve of confirmed malaria cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 10, 2026)**



### Epidemic situation of dengue fever:

- The epi-curve of suspected dengue fever illustrates a considerable decrease since week 47 of 2025.
- During 10<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 11 cases and 0 deaths have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, none of them were children under five and 3 (27.2%) cases were female.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 97 suspected dengue fever cases and 0 death (CFR=0.0%) have been reported. Of these cases none of them are children under five and 30 (31%) cases are females.

**Figure 7: Epidemic curve of suspected dengue fever cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 10, 2026)**



## Epidemic situation of COVID-19

- The epi-curve of suspected COVID-19 illustrates a gradual decrease from weeks 48-2025.
- During 10<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 1,197 cases and 0 death have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, 3 (0.2%) were under-five children, and 585 (48.8%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 14,064 suspected COVID-19 cases and 0 death (CFR=0.0%) have been reported. Of these cases 78 (0.5%) are under-five children, and 7,135 (50.7%) are females.

Figure 8: Epidemic curve of suspected COVID-19 cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 10, 2026)

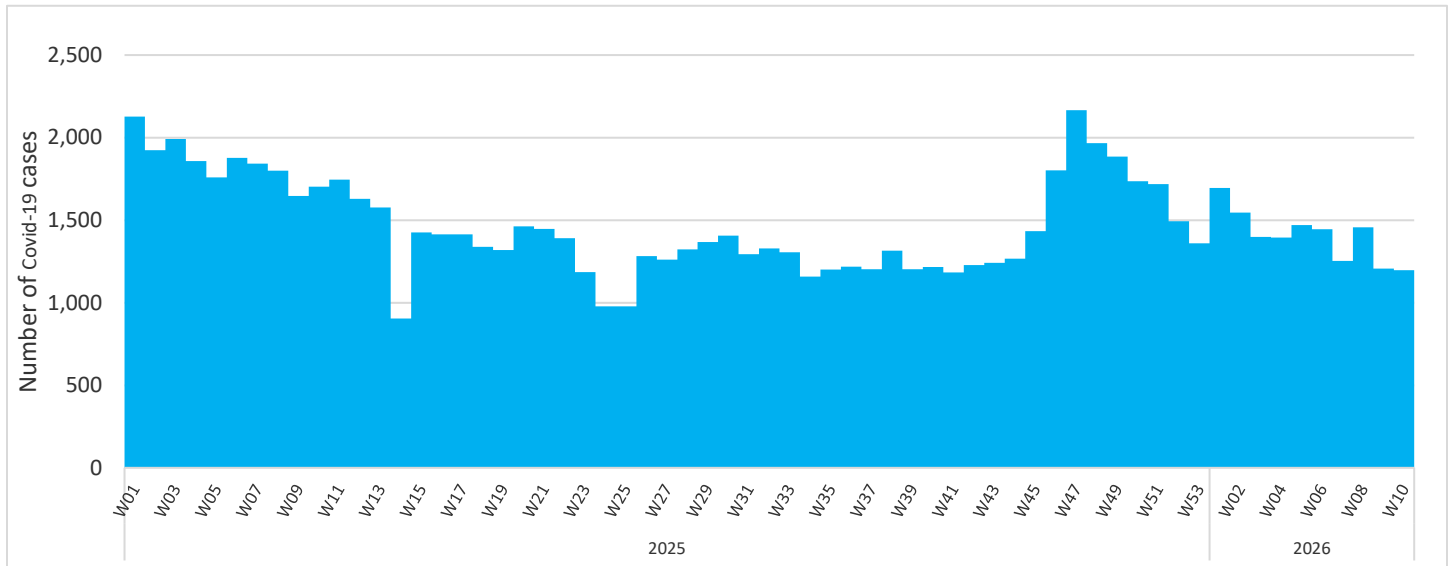
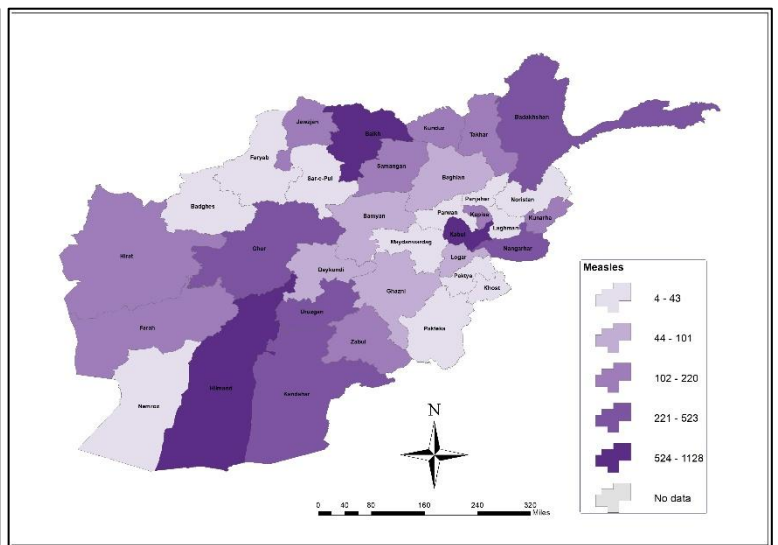
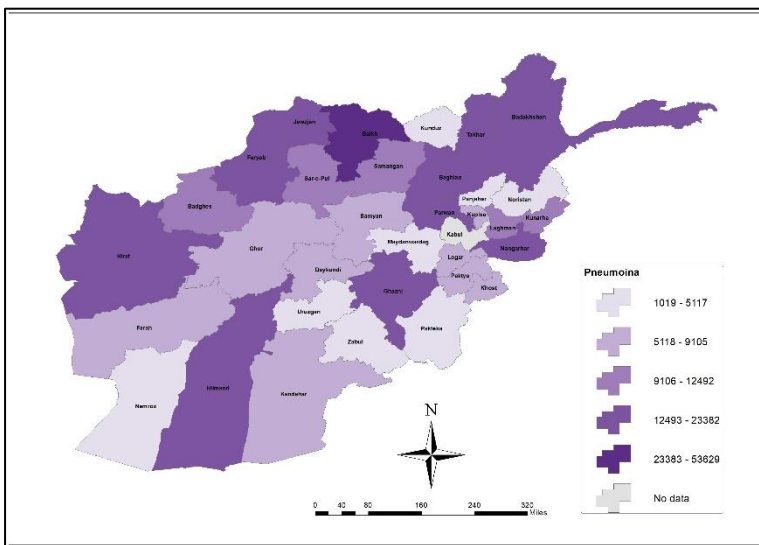


Figure 9: Geographical distribution of major infectious diseases cumulative cases by province in 2026

Figure 9: A (Pneumonia)

Figure 9: B (Measles)





## Outbreak Situation

**Table 4: Afghanistan infectious disease outbreaks report | Epidemiological Week # 10-2026**

Event / Diseases Name	Investigation date	Province	District	Village	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Vaccination coverage, If VPD	
							HF reported coverage	Field Estimated Coverage
Measles	12/12/2026	Baghlan	Dand-e-Ghori	Khowja Alwan,	10	0	105%	60%
	8/3/2026	Helmand	Baghran	Ali Shani	5	4	0%	0%
	11/3/2026	Kabul	Kabul	Sar Asyab	5	1	45%	72%
	12/3/2026	Kunar	Chawki	Saregal	11	0	95%	97%
	14/3/2026	Nangarhar	Behsood	11 Canal	7	0	100%	50%
	14/3/2026	Urozgan	Shaheed Hasaas	Woshai	11	0	40%	0%
Pertussis	12/3/2026	Kabul	Kabul	Gul Khana	5	0	65%	81%
	12/3/2026	Kabul	Kabul	Shahrak Amneyat	1	0	80%	87%
	9/3/2026	Kabul	Paghman	Koshkak	3	0	61%	87%
	10/3/2026	Zabul	Shah Joy	Roohullah khan	19	0	54%	85%
Scabies	20 Scabies outbreaks were reported from Badakhshan (1), Baghlan (2), Bamyan (1), Ghazni (3), Herat (2), Kabul (1), Kapisa (1), Khost (1), Laghman (1), Paktya (1), Parwan (1), Takhar (2), Logar (1), Nangarhar (1) and Zabul (1) provinces. (Total number of cases = 655)							
Chickenpox	13 Chickenpox outbreaks were reported from Badakhshan (1), Bamyan (2), Farah (1), Herat (1), Kunduz (1), Laghman (1), Logar (1), Panjsher (1), Sar-e-Pul (1), Takhar (2) and Urozgan (1) provinces (Total number of cases = 173)							
Dog bite/Suspected Rabies	7 Dog bite/Suspected Rabies outbreaks were reported from Balkh (1), Herat (1), Kabul (1), Kunar (1), Kunduz (1), Paktika (1) and Zabul (1). Provinces (Total number of cases = 68)							
Mumps	2 Mumps outbreaks were reported from Kunduz (1) and Paktya (1) provinces (Total number of cases = 35)							
Pneumonia	2 Pneumonia outbreaks were reported from Badakhshan (1) and Nooristan (1). Total number of cases = 106)							
Typhoid Fever	1 Typhoid fever outbreak was reported from Baghlan province (Total number of cases = 12)							

Figure 10: Geographical distribution of outbreaks and related deaths by province

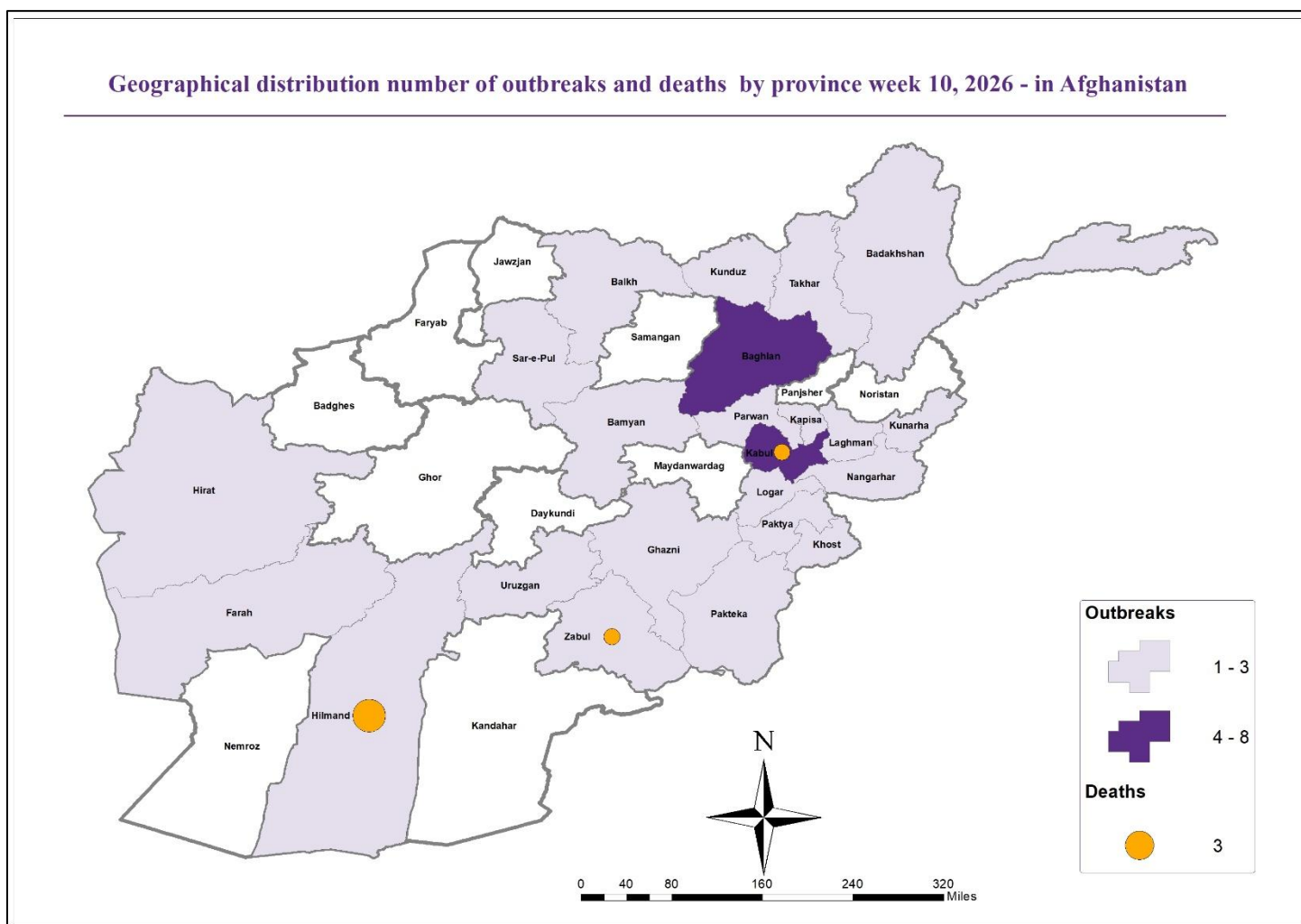


Table 5: Summary of diseases outbreaks during 2026

Disease/Event	Disease/Event	Lab-Confirm	Total Cases	Total Deaths
Measles	58	30	531	11
Scabies	170	0	6229	0
Chickenpox	84	11	1464	0
Dog bite/Suspected Rabies	34	0	247	7
CCHF	1	1	5	0
Food Poisoning	3	0	48	0
Pertussis	32	0	183	0
Anthrax	7	0	7	0
AWD with Dehydration	0	0	0	0
Malaria	0	0	0	0
ARI-Pneumonia	5	0	261	0
Brucellosis	0	0	0	0
Viral Hepatitis	0	0	0	0
COVID-19	0	0	0	0
Impetigo	0	0	0	0
Typhoid Fever	1	0	12	0

Mumps	11	0	114	0
Leishmaniasis	1	0	39	0
Botulism	0	0	0	0
Tinea Capitis	0	0	0	0
ARI-Cough and Cold	0	0	0	0
Acute Bloody Diarrhea	0	0	0	0
Rubella	0	0	0	0
Probable Diphtheria	1	0	15	0
Neonatal Tetanus	0	0	0	0
Dengue fever	0	0	0	0
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>9155</b>	<b>18</b>

Figure 11: Number of Outbreaks Reported and Responded During 2026

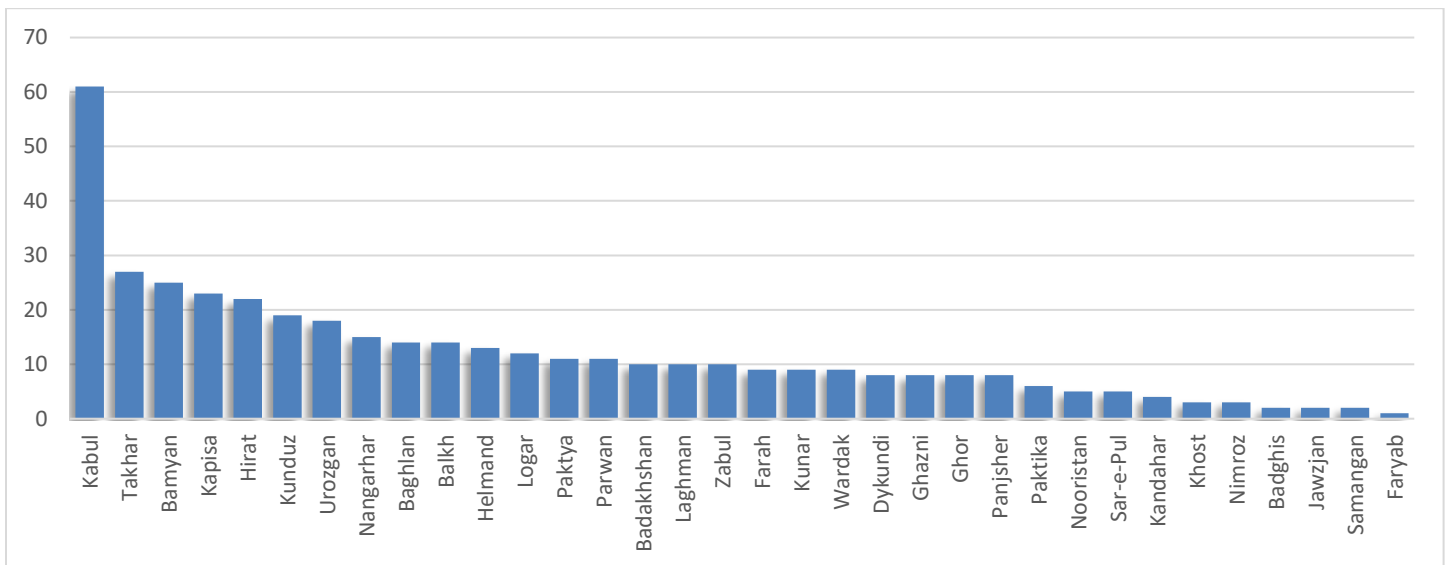
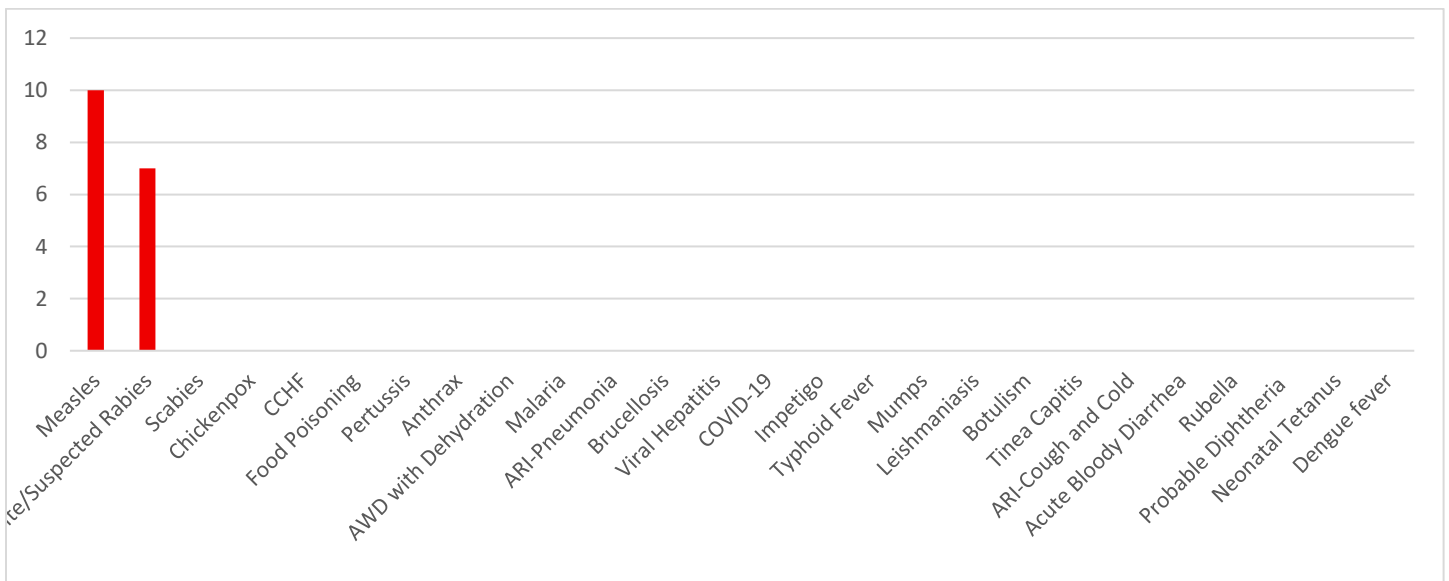


Figure 12: Outbreak Related Deaths During 2026



**Table 6: Laboratory information from RRL, CPHL, NIDHL and provincial labs in Week # 10-2026**

Lab Specimen	Specimen Tested	Specimen Confirmed	Positivity rate (%)
COVID-19	97	0	0.0
SARI	60	0	0.0
Chickenpox	57	50	87.7
ILI	40	5	12.5
Pertussis	18	18	100.0
CCHF	16	3	0.0
ARI/Pneumonia	10	0	0.0
HAV/HEV	3	3	0.0
Dengue Fever	2	0	0.0
Measles	0	0	0.0
Brucellosis	0	0	0.0
Typhoid	0	0	0.0
Monkey pox	0	0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>26.1</b>

### Challenges and recommendations:

- Increasing the number of scabies outbreaks as a public health challenge due to the unimproved lifestyle of the community, such as poor hygiene and sanitation practices.
- Increasing the number of chickenpox outbreaks due to the unavailability of the Varicella Zoster vaccine, and it is recommended to provide its vaccine through the national EPI.
- Increasing the number of dog-bite clusters, and it is recommended to provide its control measure through the Zoonotic Committee at the national level.
- Although the number of CCHF cases has decreased over the past four weeks, it is still recommended to maintain and strengthen control measures at the national level to prevent further transmission
- Vaccine-preventable diseases (especially measles and pertussis vaccination and preventive measures) should be strengthened.
- The measles response strategy should be reviewed to respond to the current measles epidemic situation.
  - **EPI:** As the surveillance system detected **711 (IBS+EBS)** suspected measles cases with **07 (IBS+EBS) deaths** at the national level, further prevention and control measures should be conducted by the EPI team.
- The findings should be analyzed further at different levels, and appropriate actions should be taken by the department concerned.

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