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Epidemiological Report | Week # 14– 2026

14 (05 - 11 April, 2026)

**Summary:**

Out of **613** functional surveillance sentinel sites, **609 (99.3 %)** submitted reports this week.

A total of **667,870** new consultations were reported, among which **245,130 (36.7%)** were due to surveillance-targeted diseases, which include **126,143 (51.5%)** females and **117,931 (48.1%)** children under five.

The most frequently reported surveillance-targeted diseases this week were ARI cough & cold with **162,312** cases (**24.3%**), acute diarrheal diseases with **52,016** cases (**7.8%**), and pneumonia with **26,970** cases (**4%**).

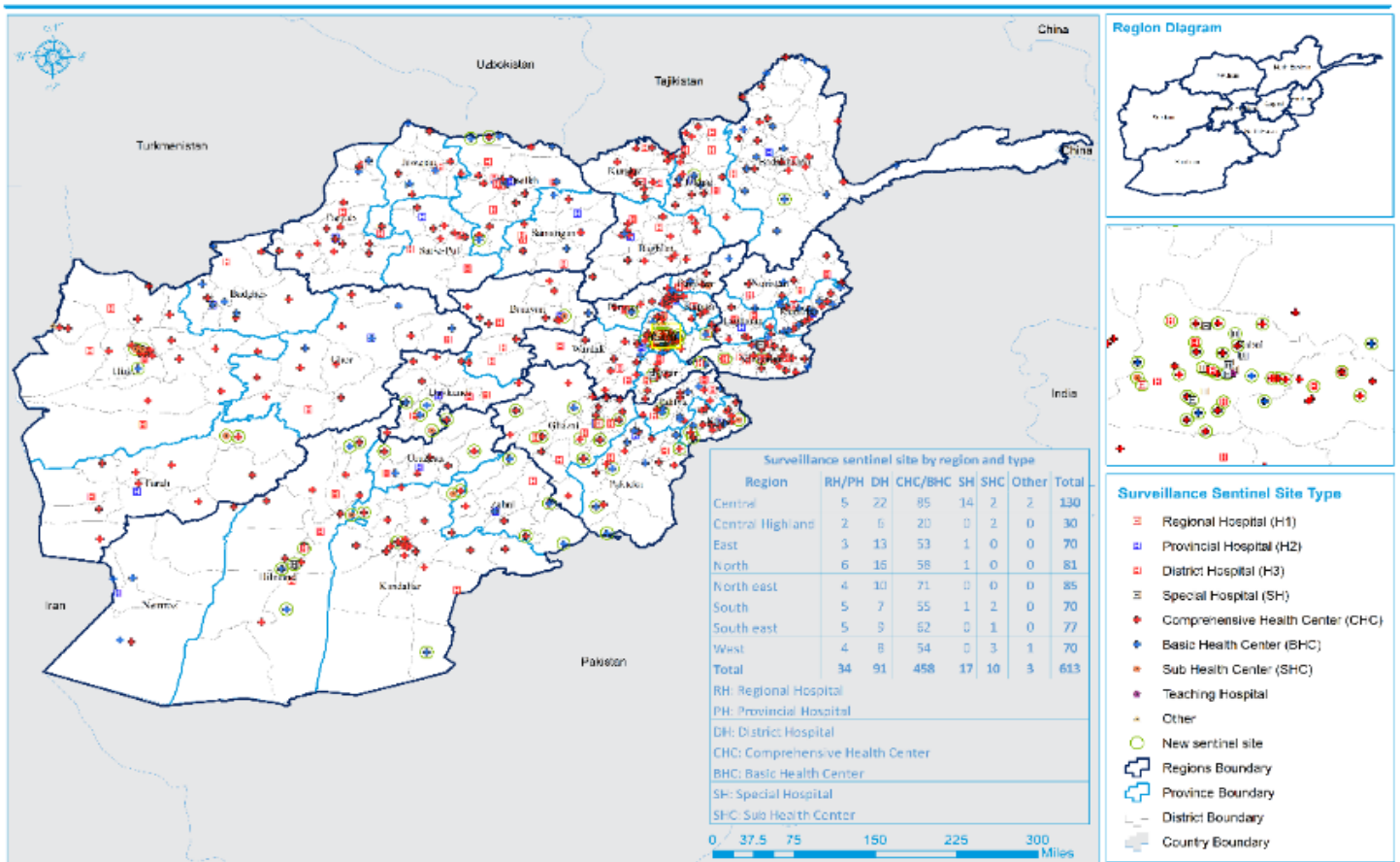
A total of **384** deaths were reported this week, of which **44 (11.5%)** deaths were due to surveillance-targeted diseases. This includes **37 ARI pneumonia** deaths, **3 suspected meningitis** deaths, **1 AWD** with dehydration death, **02 measles** deaths and **1 hemorrhagic fever** death.

During this week, 40 outbreaks were reported: **7 measles** outbreaks, **6 pertussis** outbreaks, **9 scabies** outbreaks, **6 chickenpox** outbreaks, **4 dog bite/suspected rabies** outbreaks, **2 CCHF** outbreaks, **2 mumps** outbreaks, **1 acute watery diarrhea** outbreak, **1 anthrax** outbreak, **1 COVID-19** outbreak and **1 typhoid fever** outbreak.

**Table 1: Top 7 priority infectious diseases cases and deaths out of total consultations in Week 14-2026**

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	528	420	490	434	0	0	1	0	1872	0.3	1	0.3	0.05
ARI-Pneumonia	9137	4514	8374	4945	16	6	12	3	26970	4.0	37	9.6	0.14
Measles	277	65	216	63	0	0	2	0	621	0.1	2	0.5	0.32
CCHF	0	14	0	6	0	0	0	1	20	0.0	1	0.3	5.00
Confirmed Malaria	37	196	35	158	0	0	0	0	426	0.1	0	0.0	0.00
Dengue Fever	0	13	0	2	0	0	0	0	15	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
Covid-19	1	541	3	549	0	0	0	0	1094	0.2	0	0.0	0.00

Figure 1: Surveillance/ NDSR sentinel sites location by type of health facility, 2026



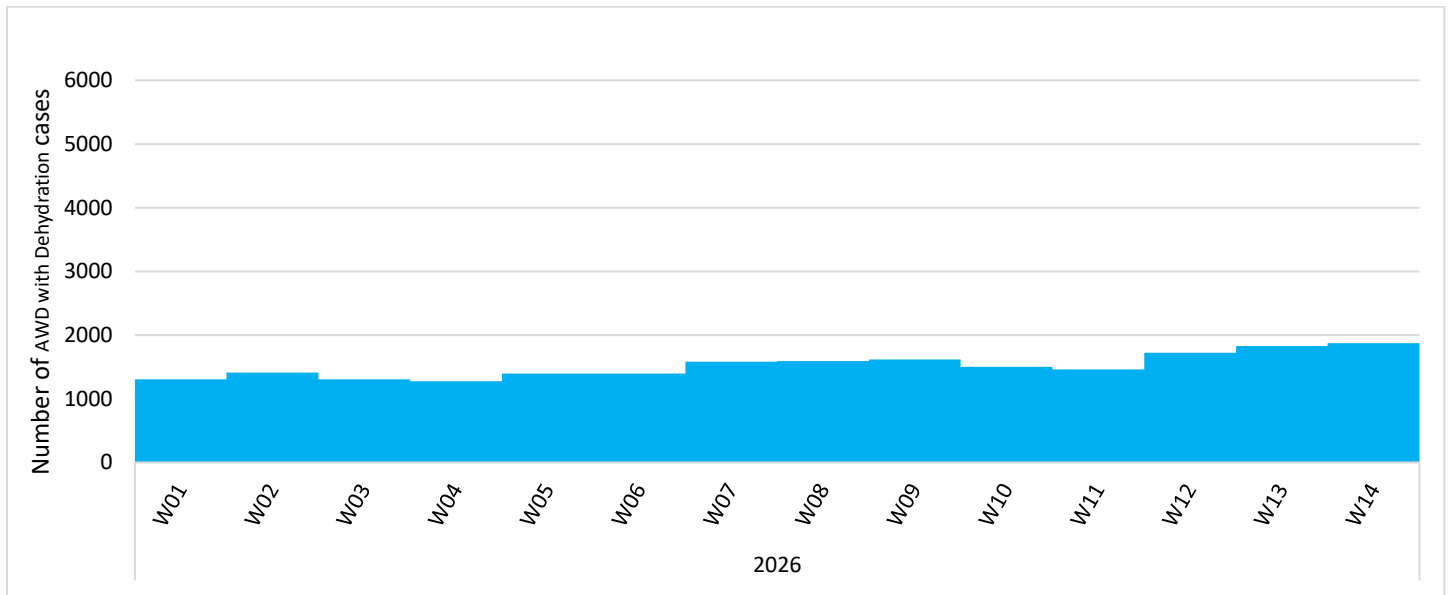
**Table 2: Cumulative data on 17 surveillance priority diseases (W14, 2026)**

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>	6,207	4,570	5,668	4,828	4	1	1	1	21,273	0.2	7	0.1	0.03
<b>Acute Bloody Diarrhea</b>	31,987	35,873	29,177	37,074	0	0	0	0	134,111	1.5	0	0.0	0.00
<b>AFP</b>	116	85	115	61	0	0	0	0	377	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Acute Viral Hepatitis</b>	607	727	512	798	11	7	2	4	2,644	0.0	24	0.4	0.91
<b>Acute Watery Diarrhea</b>	114,809	70,053	108,675	77,468	0	0	0	0	371,005	4.1	0	0.0	0.00
<b>ARI-C&amp;C</b>	498,884	652,831	482,187	763,152	0	0	0	0	2,397,054	26.2	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Probable Diphtheria</b>	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>CCHF</b>	0	95	0	58	0	1	0	2	153	0.0	3	0.1	1.96
<b>Confirmed Malaria</b>	257	1,177	213	970	0	0	0	0	2,617	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Measles</b>	3,558	763	3,067	788	22	1	11	0	8,176	0.1	34	0.6	0.42
<b>Covid-19</b>	25	8,960	81	9,109	0	0	0	0	18,175	0.2	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Pertussis</b>	192	23	178	17	0	0	0	0	410	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>ARI-Pneumonia</b>	160,298	80,158	145,507	92,589	437	96	347	73	478,552	5.2	953	15.9	0.20
<b>Meningitis</b>	589	419	500	391	26	17	27	15	1,899	0.0	85	1.4	4.48
<b>Dengue Fever</b>	0	104	0	41	0	0	0	0	145	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
<b>Neonatal Tetanus</b>	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	6	0.0	2	0.0	0.00
<b>Typhoid Fever</b>	440	6,528	425	8,201	0	0	0	0	15,594	0.2	0	0.0	0.00
<b>NDSR targeted diseases/Deaths</b>	<b>817,972</b>	<b>862,366</b>	<b>776,308</b>	<b>995,547</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>3,452,193</b>	<b>37.7</b>	<b>1,108</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0.03</b>
<b>Total of new clients/ death</b>	<b>1,440,060</b>	<b>2,487,737</b>	<b>1,393,507</b>	<b>3,827,866</b>	<b>1,823</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>1,196</b>	<b>9,149,170</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>5,986</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 14<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 1,872 cases and 1 death have been reported (CFR=0.05%)
- Out of the total cases, 1,018 (54.4%) were under-five children, and 924 (49.4%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 21,273 AWD + dehydration cases and 7 deaths (CFR=0.03%) have been reported. Of these cases 11,875 (55.8%) are children under five and 10,496 (49.3%) are females.

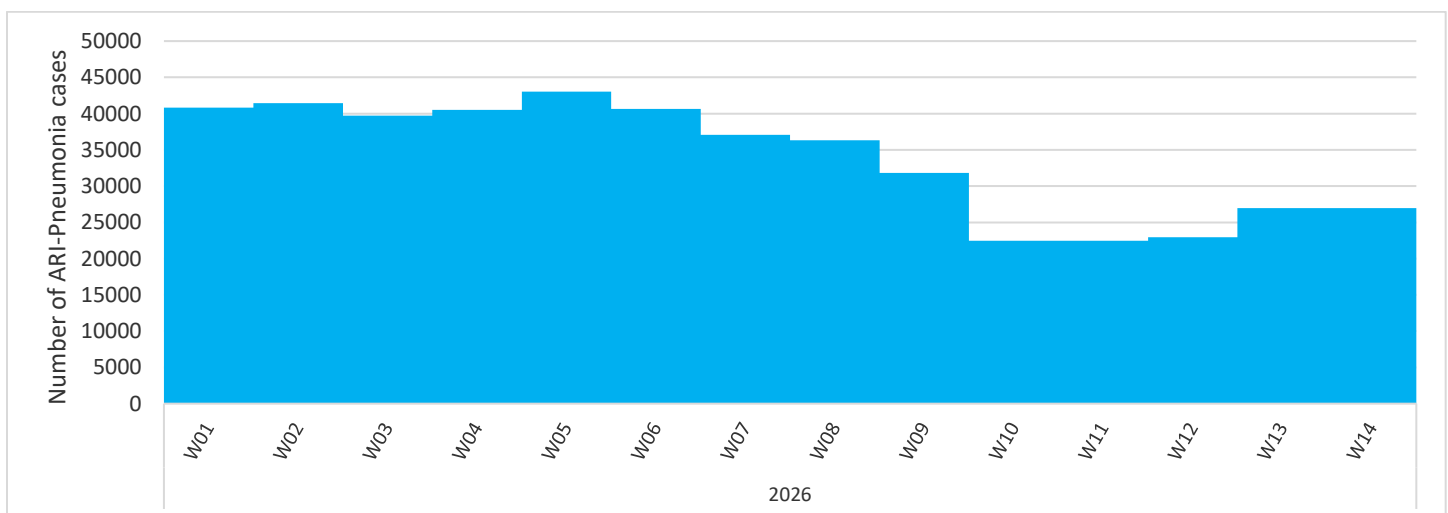
Figure 2: Epidemic curve of AWD with dehydration cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 14, 2026)



### Epidemic situation of ARI pneumonia:

- The epi-curve of ARI pneumonia illustrates a notable decrease since week 06-2026.
- During the 14<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 26,970 cases and 37 deaths have been reported (CFR=0.1%)
- Out of the total cases, 17,511 (64.9%) were under-five children, and 13,319 (49.4%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 478,552 ARI pneumonia cases and 953 deaths (CFR=0.2%) have been reported. Of these cases 305,805 (63.9%) are children under five and 238,096 (49.7%) are females.

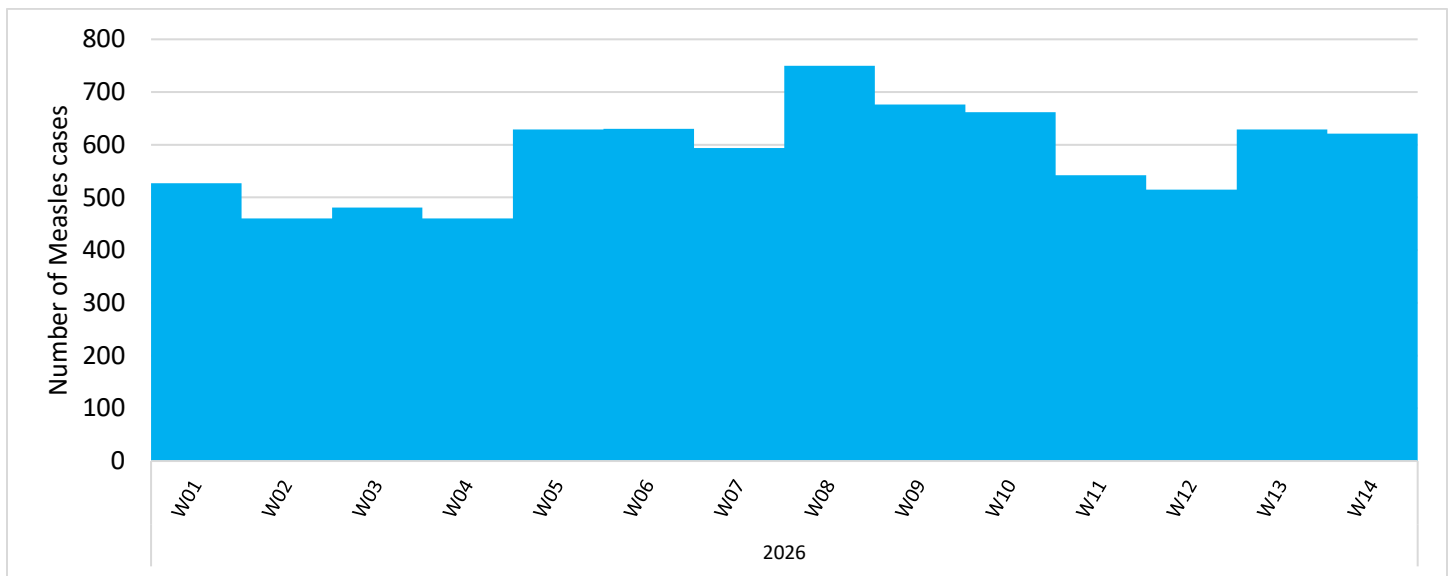
Figure 3: Epidemic curve of ARI pneumonia cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 14, 2026)



### Epidemic situation of measles:

- The epi-curve of measles illustrates a notable increase since week 05-2026.
- During the 14<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 621 cases and 2 deaths have been reported (CFR=0.3%)
- Out of the total cases, 493 (79.4%) were under-five children, and 279 (44.9%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 8,176 measles cases and 34 deaths (CFR=0.4%) have been reported. Of these cases 6,625 (81%) are children under five and 3,855 (47.1%) are females.

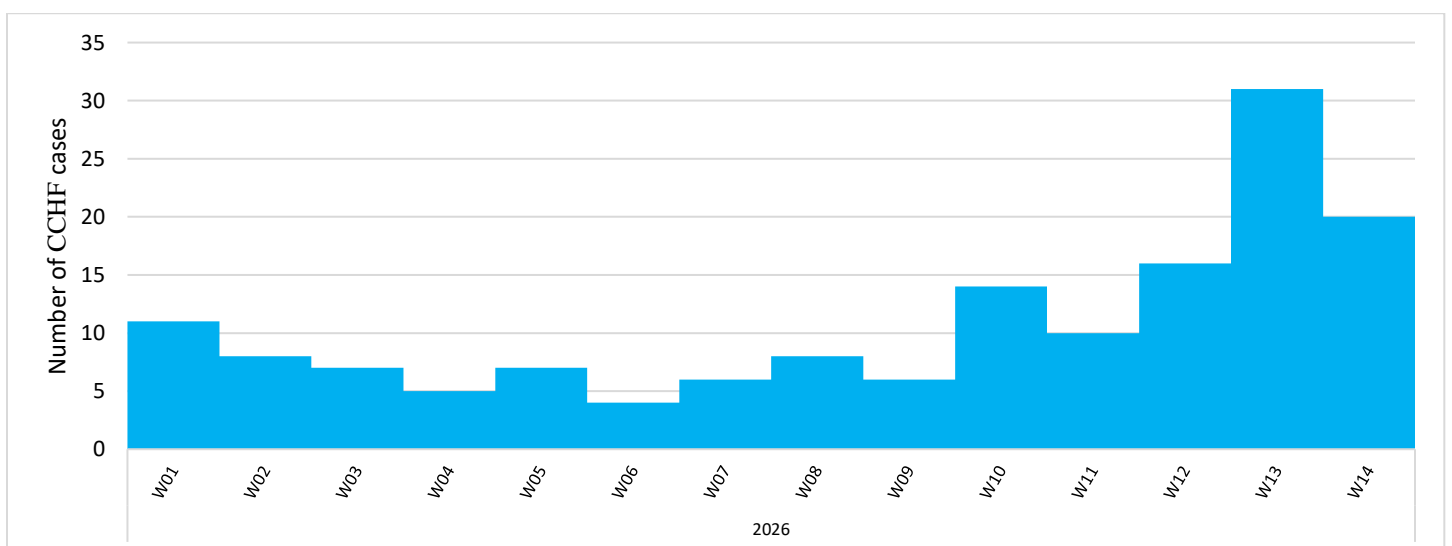
Figure 4: Epidemic curve of suspected measles cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 14, 2026)



### Epidemic situation of CCHF:

- The epi-curve of suspected CCHF cases has shown a gradual increase since week 10-2026.
- During week 14<sup>th</sup> 2026, a total of 20 cases and 1 death have been reported (CFR= 5%)
- Out of the total cases, none of them children under five, and 6 of them (30%) was females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 153 suspected CCHF cases and 3 deaths (CFR=1.9%) have been reported. Of these cases 0 (0.0%) are children under five and 58 (37.9%) are females.

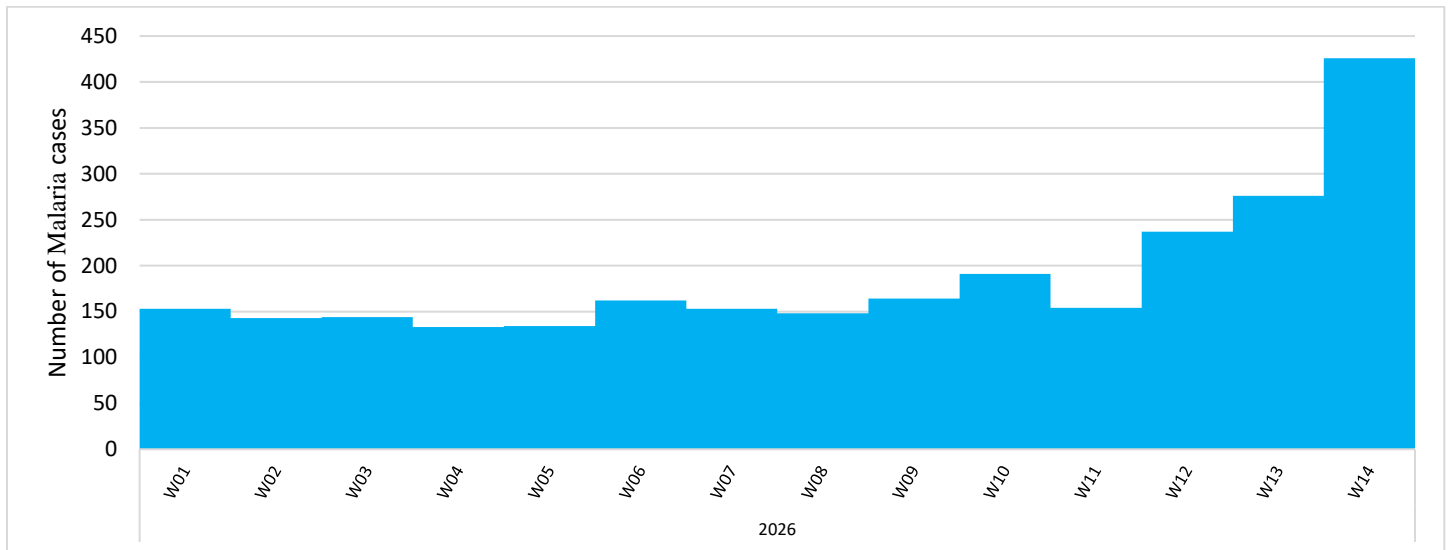
Figure 5: Epidemic curve of suspected CCHF cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 14, 2026)



### Epidemic situation of malaria:

- The epi-curve of confirmed malaria illustrates a considerable increase since week 09-2026.
- During 14<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 426 cases and zero deaths have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, 72 (16.9%) were children under-five, and 193 (45.3%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 2,617 confirmed malaria cases and zero deaths have been reported. Of these cases 470 (17.9%) are children under-five, and 1,183 (45.2%) are females.

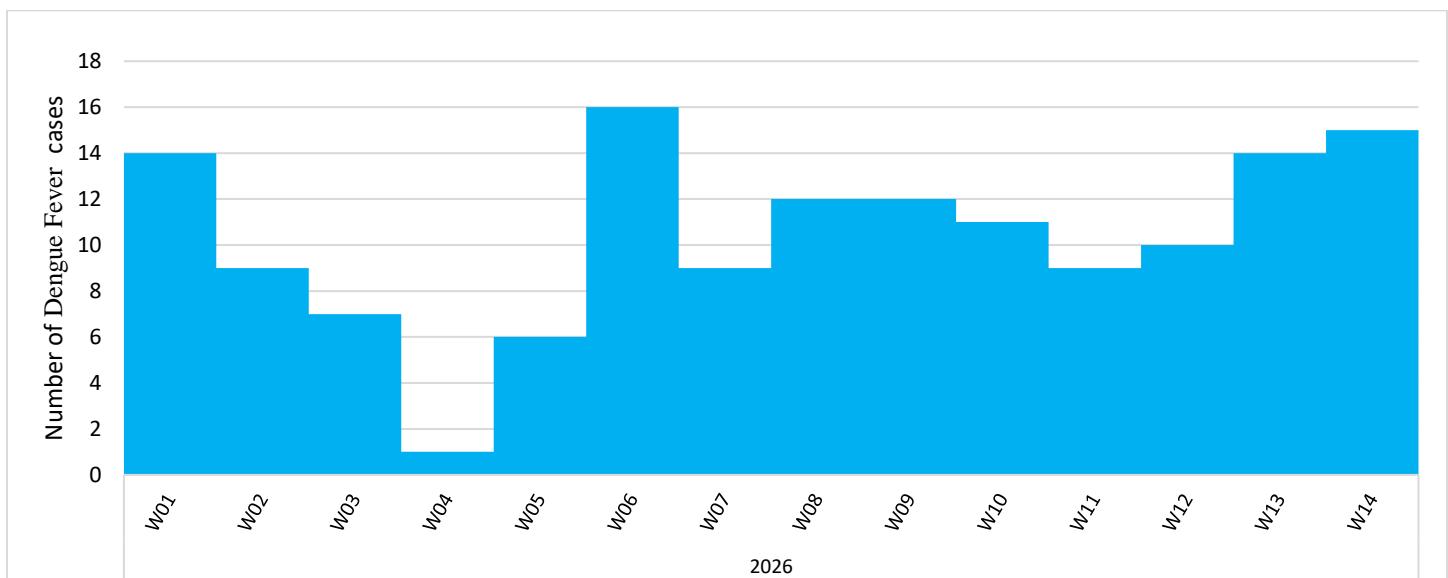
Figure 6: Th Epidemic curve of confirmed malaria cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 14, 2026)



### Epidemic situation of dengue fever:

- The epi-curve of suspected dengue fever illustrates a considerable increase since week 13 of 2026.
- During 14<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 15 cases and 0 deaths have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, none of them were children under five and 2 (13.3%) cases were female.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 145 suspected dengue fever cases and 0 death (CFR=0.0%) have been reported. Of these cases none of them are children under five and 41 (21.3%) cases are females.

Figure 7: Epidemic curve of suspected dengue fever cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 14, 2026)



## Epidemic situation of COVID-19

- The epi-curve of suspected COVID-19 illustrates a gradual decrease from weeks 48-2025.
- During 14<sup>th</sup> week of 2026, a total of 1,094 cases and 0 death have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, 4 (0.4%) were under-five children, and 552 (50.4%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 18,175 suspected COVID-19 cases and 0 death (CFR=0.0%) have been reported. Of these cases 106 (0.6%) are under-five children, and 9,190 (50.6%) are females.

Figure 8: Epidemic curve of suspected COVID-19 cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 14, 2026)

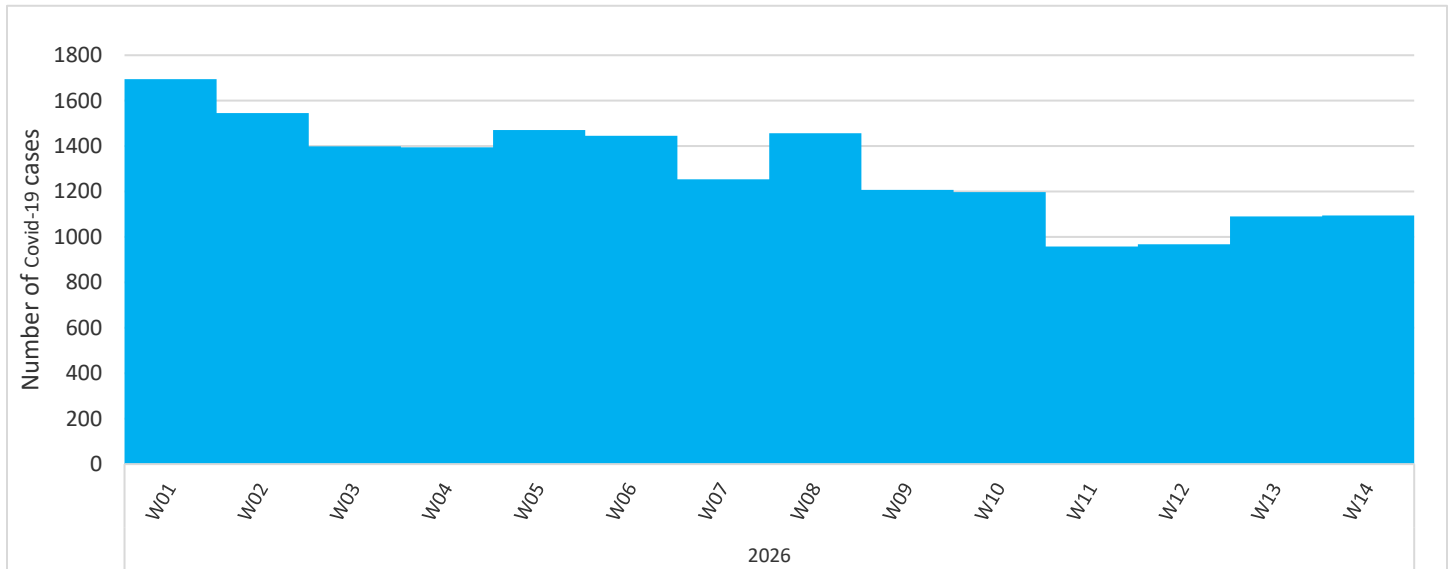


Figure 9: Geographical distribution of major infectious diseases cumulative cases by province in 2026

Figure 9: A (Pneumonia)

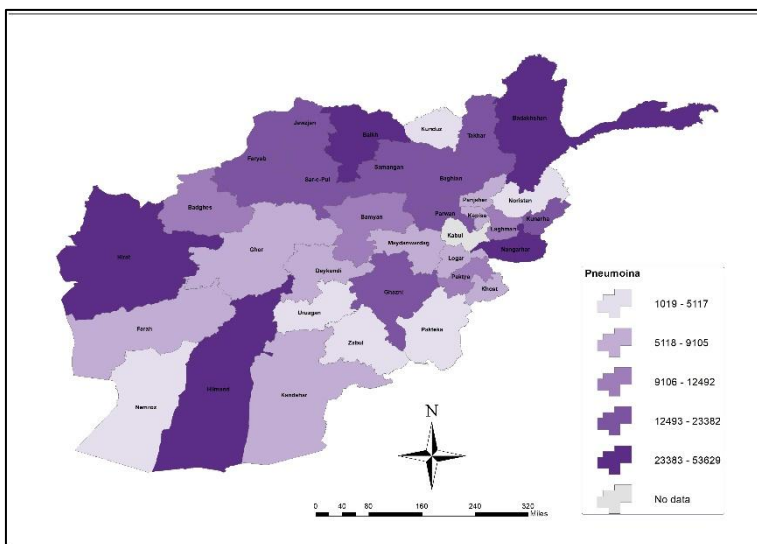
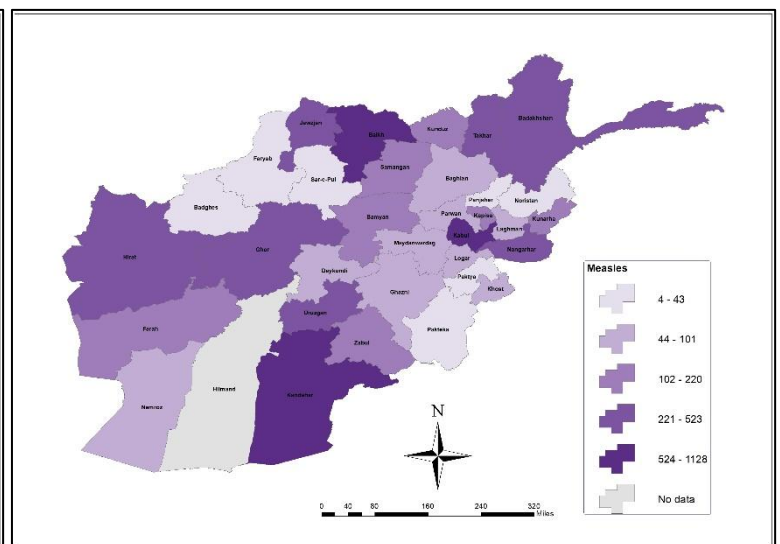
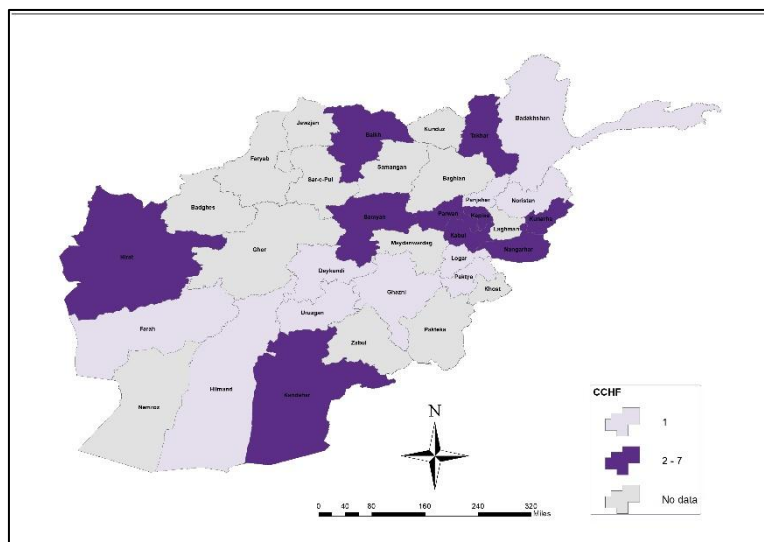


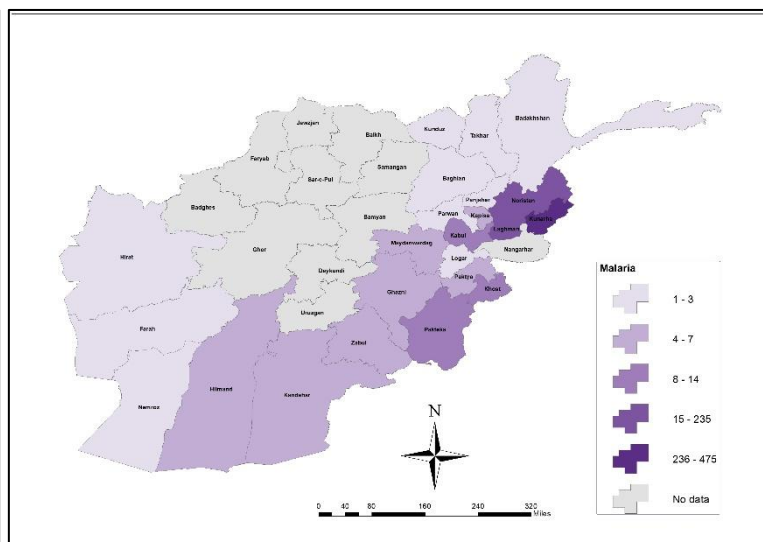
Figure 9: B (Measles)



**Figure 9: C (CCHF)**



**Figure 9: D (Malaria)**



### Influenza surveillance activities

- In epidemiological week 14 of 2026, we have received reports from all ten influenza sites. Out of all new hospital admissions, 1297 (23.2%) Severe Acute Respiratory Infections cases were reported, and 910 (70%) were under 5 years old and 631 (48.6%) were female.
- The proportion of SARI cases decreased (2.2%) compared to the previous week, and 25 SARI-associated deaths were reported this week: 20 (80%) under five and 11 (44%) females.
- At all influenza sentinel sites, the highest proportion of SARI cases were reported from Herat (37%), Paktia (36.9%), and Kabul (26%).
- During this week, our field staff in the country collected and shipped 50 specimens (30 SARI and 20 ILI) to the NIC. Out of all these tested specimens, 3 lab confirmed case reported for, Influenza Flu B Victoria, but not a new influenza virus subtype.

**Table 3: The Afghanistan NIC lab result of influenza specimens in Week 14, 2026**

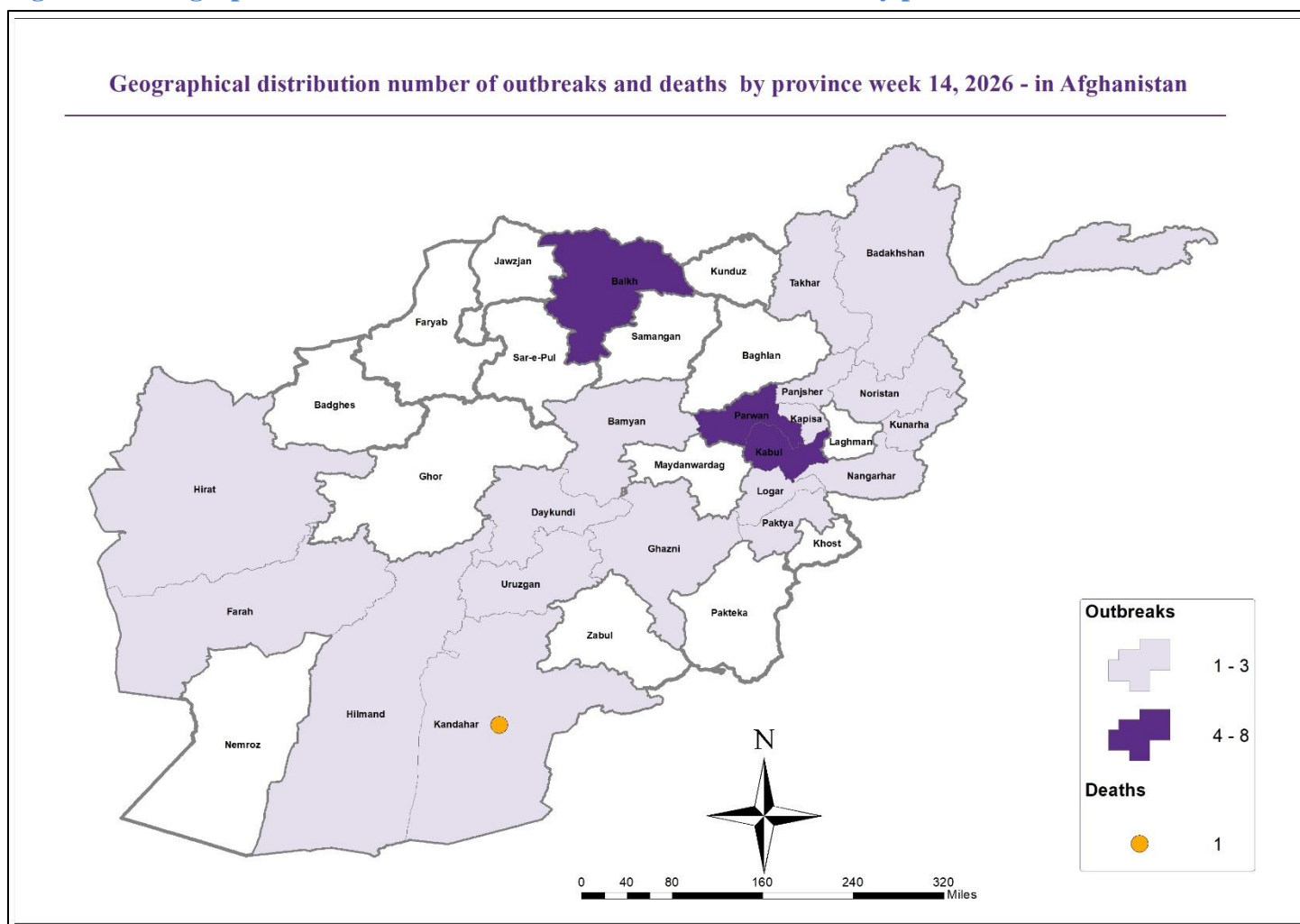
Influenza site	Specimen Tested	Lab Confirmed	Lab confirmed influenza subtype details				Confirmed (COVID-19)	Positivity rate (%)
			Flu A (H1N1pdm09)	Flu A (H3)	Flu B (Victoria)	Flu B (Yamagata)		
Baghlan	5	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Badakhshan	5	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Balkh	5	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Bamyan	5	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Herat	5	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Kabul	5	1	0	0	1	0	10%	
Kapisa	5	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Kandahar	5	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Nangarhar	5	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Paktia	5	2	0	0	2	0	20%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3%</b>	

## Outbreak Situation

**Table 4: Afghanistan infectious disease outbreaks report | Epidemiological Week # 14-2026**

Event / Diseases Name	Investigation date	Province	District	Village	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Vaccination coverage, If VPD	
							HF reported coverage	Field Estimated Coverage
Measles	07/04/2026	Bamyan	Panjab	Dahan-e-Shebar, Shakhsang and Shenyah	24	0	100	90
	06/04/2026	Bamyan	Waras	Piyazan and Petap	19	0	50	90
	09/04/2026	Hirat	Guzarah	Padeh Kaj	17	0	84	75
	09/04/2026	Kabul	Kabul	Shoor Bazar	5	0	64	40
	09/04/2026	Kabul	Chahar Asyab	Chehel Dukhtaran	6	0	80	75
	06/04/2026	Kunar	Noor Gul	Areat	7	0	100	100
	07/04/2026	Nangarhar	Jalal Abad	6th Zone 4th Phase	6	0	80	100
Pertussis	08/04/2026	Kabul	Bagami	Gosfand Dara	3	0	28	20
	08/04/2026	Kabul	Kabul	Parozha e Jadeed	3	0	67	40
	05/04/2026	Kabul	Kabul	Spin Kalay	3	0	60	53
	07/04/2026	Kapisa	Hisa-e-Dwom-e-Kohestan	Keshiktan	4	0	86	75
	06/04/2026	Kapisa	Nirab	Sabat-Chinarak	3	0	95	30
	07/04/2026	Urozgan	TeenKot	Shahri Naw	12	0	77	60
Scabies	9 Scabies outbreaks were reported from Balkh (1), Helmand (1), Herat (1), Kabul (1), Logar (1), Nooristan (1), Paktya (1), Parwan (1) and Takhar (1) provinces (Total number of cases = 282)							
Chickenpox	6 Chickenpox outbreaks were reported from Balkh (3), Dykundi (1), Farah (1) and Kapisa (1) provinces (Total number of cases = 98)							
Dog bite/Suspected Rabies	4 Dog bite/ Suspected Rabies outbreaks were reported from Kandahar (1), Kunar (1) and Nangarhar (2) provinces (Total number of cases = 36 and 1 death)							
CCHF	2 CCHF outbreaks were reported from Kandahar (1) and Parwan (1) provinces (Total number of cases = 7)							
Mumps	2 Mumps outbreaks were reported from Panjshir (1) and Takhar (1) provinces (Total number of cases = 28)							
Acute Watery Diarrhea	1 Acute Watery Diarrhea outbreak was reported from Parwan province (Total number of cases = 38)							
Anthrax	1 Anthrax outbreak was reported from Badakhshan province (Total number of cases = 1)							
COVID-19	1 COVID-19 outbreak was reported from Ghazni province (Total number of cases = 30)							
Typhoid Fever	1 Typhoid Fever outbreak was reported from Parwan province (Total number of cases=19)							

**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	67	36	636	11
Scabies	197	0	7421	0
Chickenpox	100	22	1690	0
Dog bite/Suspected Rabies	50	0	382	11
CCHF	4	5	21	0
Food Poisoning	3	0	48	0
Pertussis	52	40	279	0
Anthrax	10	0	11	0
AWD with Dehydration	0	0	0	0
Acute Watery Diarrhea	1	0	38	0
Malaria	0	0	0	0
ARI-Pneumonia	6	0	280	0
Brucellosis	0	0	0	0
Viral Hepatitis	0	0	0	0
COVID-19	1	0	30	0
Impetigo	0	0	0	0
Typhoid Fever	3	0	42	0

Mumps	15	0	168	0
Leishmaniasis	2	0	380	0
Botulism	0	0	0	0
Tinea Capitis	1	0	11	0
ARI-Cough and Cold	0	0	0	0
Acute Bloody Diarrhea	1	0	15	0
Rubella	0	0	0	0
Probable Diphtheria	1	0	15	0
Neonatal Tetanus	1	0	1	1
Dengue fever	0	0	0	0
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>11468</b>	<b>23</b>

Figure 11: Number of Outbreaks Reported and Responded During 2026

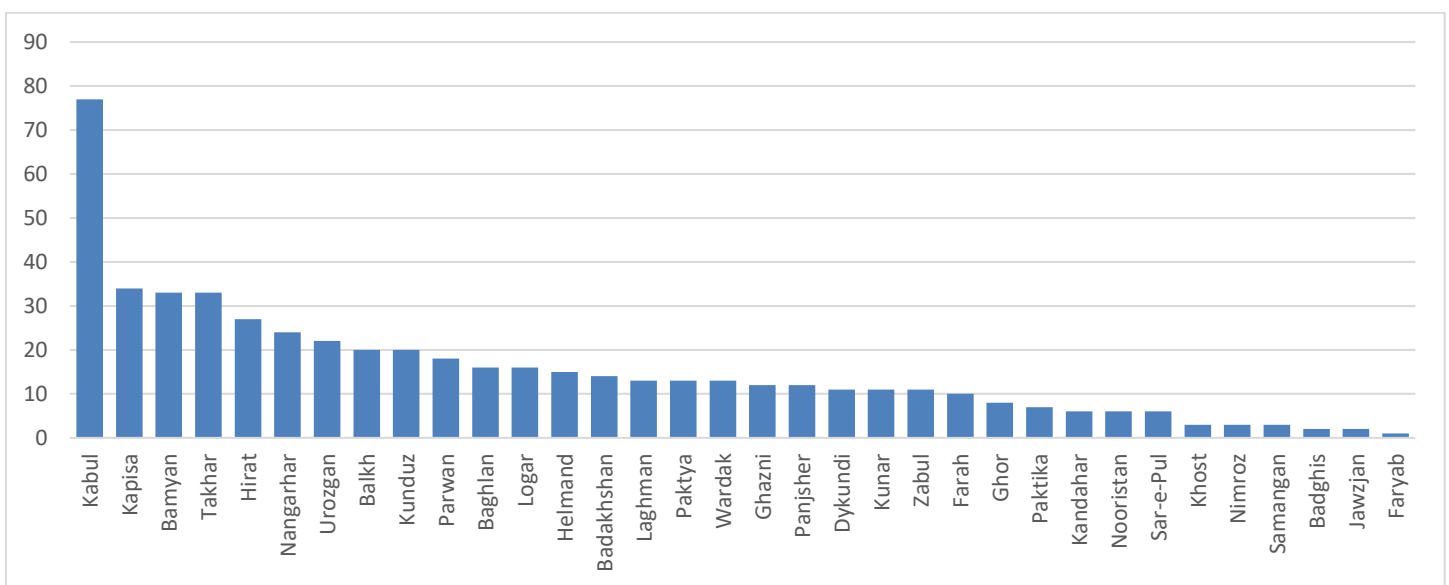
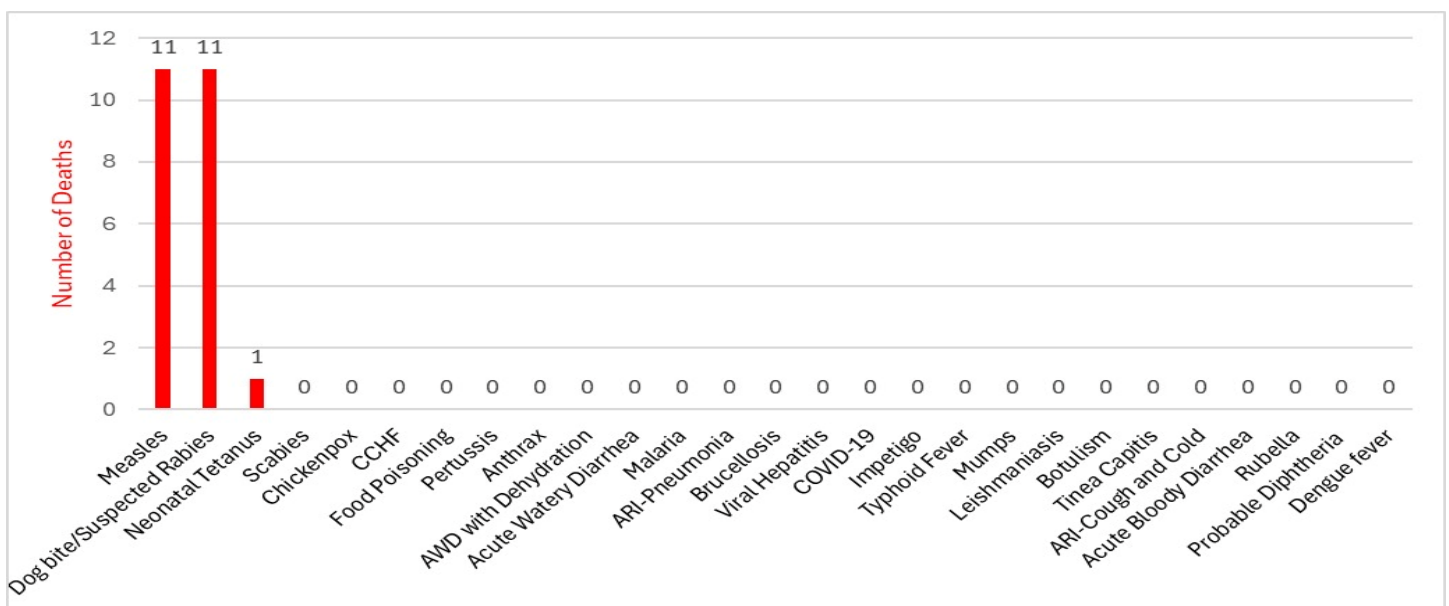


Figure 12: Outbreak Related Deaths During 2026



**Table 6: Laboratory information from RRL, CPHL, NIDHL and provincial labs in Week # 14-2026**

Lab Specimen	Specimen Tested	Specimen Confirmed	Positivity rate (%)
COVID-19	91	1	1.1
Chickenpox	56	40	71.4
Pertussis	36	23	63.9
SARI	30	2	6.7
CCHF	29	6	20.7
ILI	20	1	0.0
Measles	14	9	0.0
Dengue Fever	0	0	0.0
Brucellosis	0	0	0.0
ARI/Pneumonia	0	0	0.0
Typhoid	0	0	0.0
Monkey pox	0	0	0.0
HAV/HEV	0	0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>29.7</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 **705 (IBS+EBS)** suspected measles cases with **2 (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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