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Epidemiological Report | Week # 30 – 2026

30 (26 Jul 01 Aug, 2026)

Summary:

Out of **613** functional surveillance sentinel sites, **608 (99.2 %)** submitted reports this week.

A total of **740,721** new consultations were reported, among which **263,434 (35.5%)** were due to surveillance-targeted diseases, which include **135,075 (51.2%)** females and **123,375 (47%)** children under five.

The most frequently reported surveillance-targeted diseases this week were ARI cough & cold with **138,974** cases (**18.7%**), acute diarrheal diseases with **101,962** cases (**13.8%**), and pneumonia with **16,033** cases (**2.2%**).

A total of **391** deaths were reported this week, of which **53 (13.6%)** deaths were due to surveillance-targeted diseases. This includes **43 ARI pneumonia** deaths, **4 hemorrhagic fever** deaths **4 suspected meningitis** deaths, **1 AWD** with **dehydration** death, and **1 measles** death.

During this week, **53** outbreaks were reported: **13 pertussis** outbreaks, **8 chickenpox** outbreaks, **9 scabies** outbreaks, **6 dog bite/ suspected rabies** outbreaks, **9 AWD + dehydration** outbreaks, **2 Impetigo** outbreaks, **1 measles** outbreak, **2 AWD** outbreaks, **1 anthrax** outbreak, **1 mumps** outbreak and **1 CCHF** outbreak.

Table 1: Top 7 priority infectious diseases cases and deaths out of total consultations in Week 30-2026

Top 7 Diseases	Cases				Deaths				Total				
	Male		Female		Male		Female		Cases		Deaths		CFR
	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	< 5 Y	> 5 Y	Number	%	Number	%	
AWD with Dehydration	1263	996	1149	1133	1	0	0	0	4541	0.6	1	0.3	0.02
ARI-Pneumonia	5193	2834	4797	3209	13	5	17	8	16033	2.2	43	11.0	0.27
Measles	164	67	175	71	0	0	1	0	477	0.1	1	0.3	0.21
CCHF	0	37	0	13	0	3	0	1	50	0.0	4	1.0	8.00
Confirmed Malaria	242	1097	202	976	0	0	0	0	2517	0.3	0	0.0	0.00
Dengue Fever	0	25	0	10	0	0	0	0	35	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
Covid-19	3	512	3	469	0	0	0	0	987	0.1	0	0.0	0.00

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

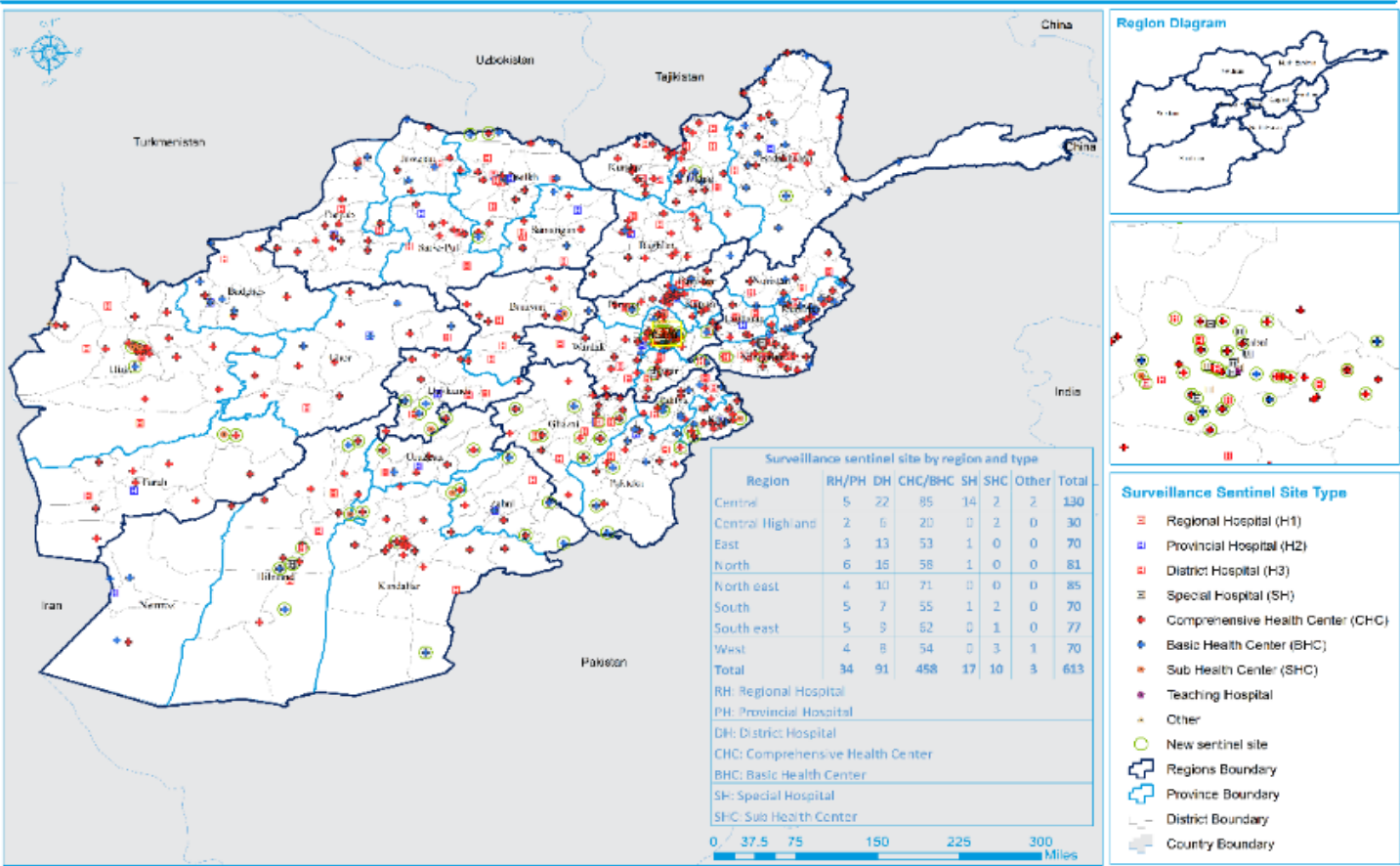


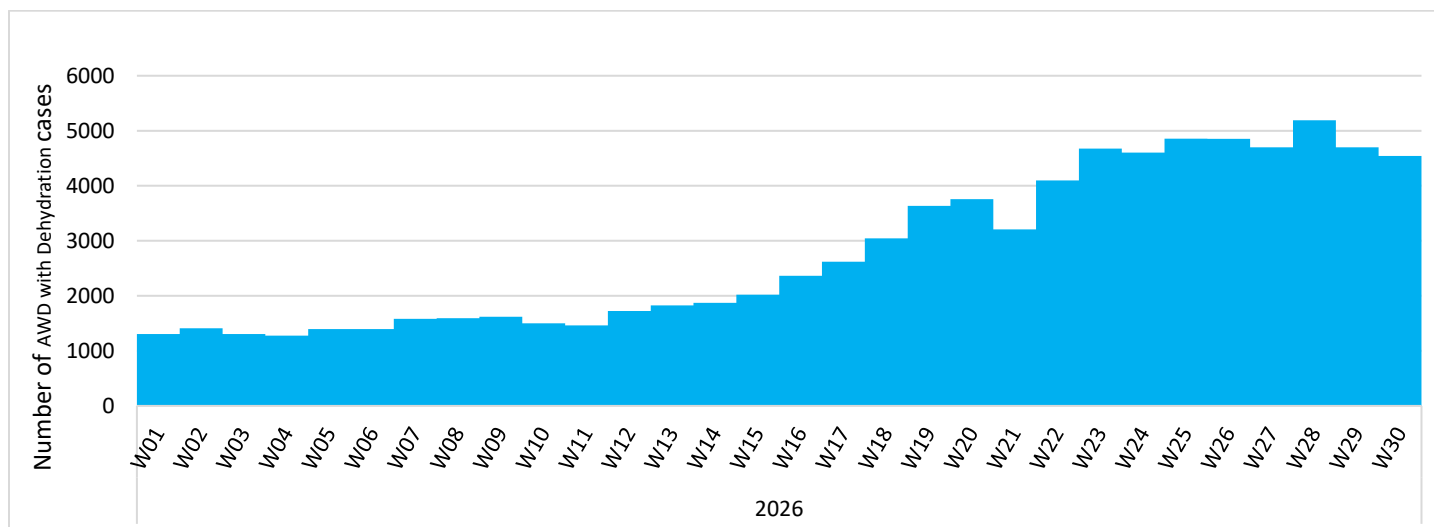
Table 2: Cumulative data on 17 surveillance priority diseases (W30, 2026)

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	%	
AWD with Dehydration	24,230	18,154	22,013	19,743	19	4	21	2	84,140	0.4	46	0.4	0.05
Acute Bloody Diarrhea	95,895	109,992	89,664	113,832	0	0	0	0	409,383	2.0	0	0.0	0.00
AFP	290	156	272	113	0	0	0	0	831	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
Acute Viral Hepatitis	1,404	1,833	1,171	1,993	17	16	8	5	6,401	0.0	46	0.4	0.72
Acute Watery Diarrhea	432,095	264,790	408,782	291,381	0	0	0	0	1,397,048	6.8	0	0.0	0.00
ARI-C&C	971,766	1,264,194	941,017	1,499,104	0	0	0	0	4,676,081	22.9	0	0.0	0.00
Probable Diphtheria	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
CCHF	0	760	0	360	0	28	0	13	1,120	0.0	41	0.3	3.66
Confirmed Malaria	3,060	13,342	2,793	11,625	0	0	0	0	30,820	0.2	0	0.0	0.00
Measles	7,102	1,982	6,231	2,088	37	2	31	1	17,403	0.1	71	0.6	0.41
Covid-19	46	17,437	143	17,267	0	0	0	0	34,893	0.2	0	0.0	0.00
Pertussis	709	96	625	88	0	0	0	0	1,518	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
ARI-Pneumonia	260,702	131,370	236,900	151,589	692	158	583	130	780,561	3.8	1,563	12.8	0.20
Meningitis	1,186	905	1,055	850	50	35	46	36	3,996	0.0	167	1.4	4.18
Dengue Fever	0	422	0	242	0	0	0	0	664	0.0	0	0.0	0.00
Neonatal Tetanus	2	0	3	0	3	0	1	0	5	0.0	4	0.0	0.00
Typhoid Fever	1,244	17,981	1,211	23,491	0	0	0	0	43,927	0.2	0	0.0	0.00
NDSR targeted diseases/Deaths	1,799,731	1,843,414	1,711,880	2,133,768	818	243	690	187	7,488,793	36.6	1,938	16	0.03
Total of new clients/ death	3,167,574	5,642,723	3,096,276	8,545,902	3,695	3,381	2,687	2,437	20,452,475	100	12,200	100	0.06

Epidemic situation of AWD with dehydration:

- The epi-curve of AWD with dehydration illustrates a gradual increase since week 07-2026.
- During 30th week of 2026, a total of 4,541 cases and 1 death have been reported (CFR=0.02%)
- Out of the total cases, 2,412 (53.1%) were under-five children, and 2,282 (50.2%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 84,140 AWD + dehydration cases and 46 deaths (CFR=0.05%) have been reported. Of these cases 46,243 (55%) are children under five and 41,756 (49.6%) are females.

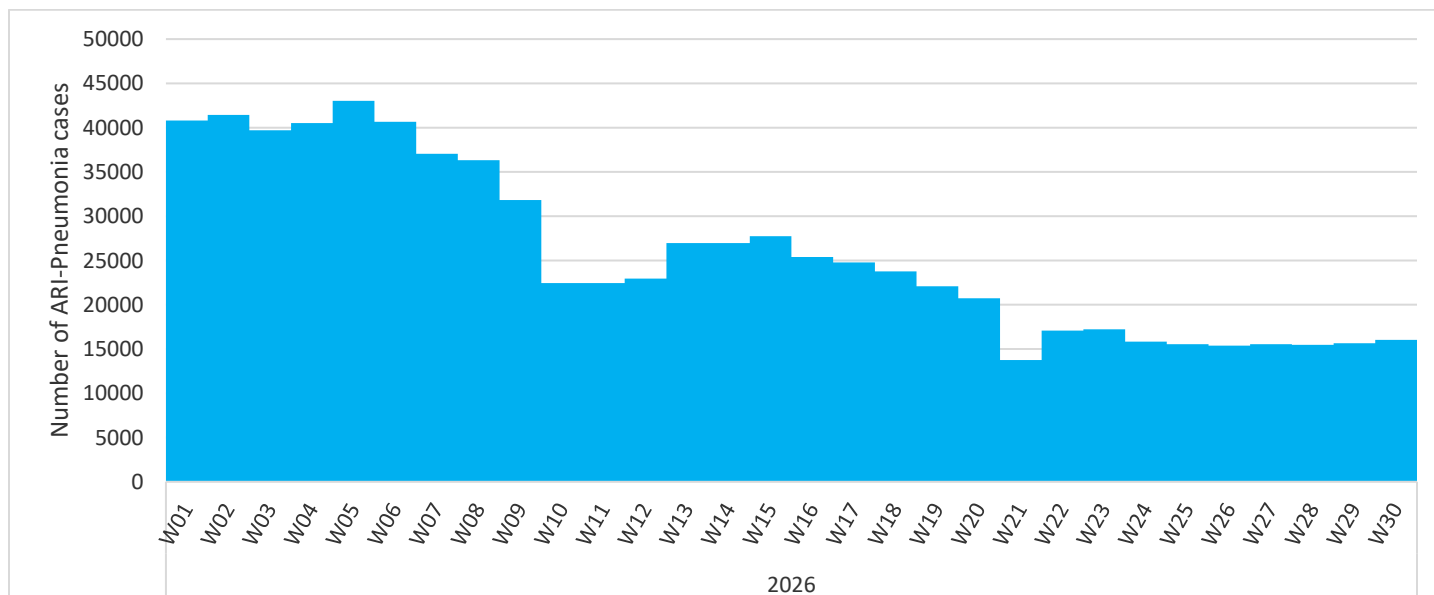
Figure 2: Epidemic curve of AWD with dehydration cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 30, 2026)



Epidemic situation of ARI pneumonia:

- The epi-curve of ARI pneumonia illustrates a notable decrease since week 06-2026.
- During the 30th week of 2026, a total of 16,033 cases and 43 deaths have been reported (CFR=0.3%)
- Out of the total cases, 9,990 (62.3%) were under-five children, and 8,006 (49.9%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 780,561 ARI pneumonia cases and 1,563 deaths (CFR=0.2%) have been reported. Of these cases 497,602 (63.7%) are children under five and 388,489 (49.7%) are females.

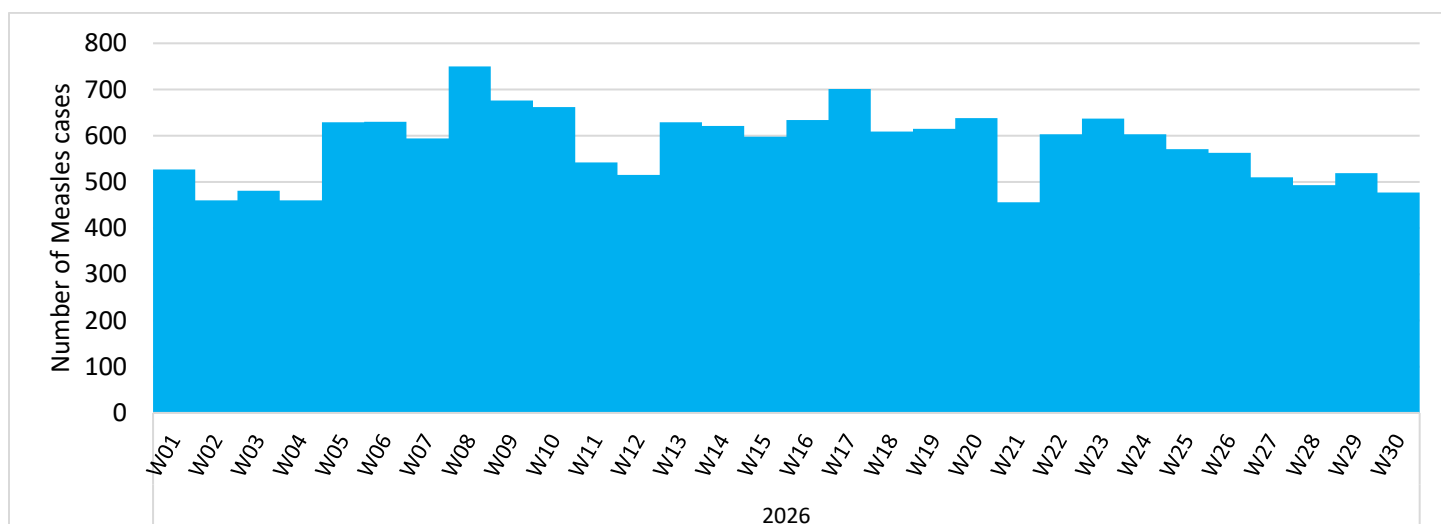
Figure 3: Epidemic curve of ARI pneumonia cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 30, 2026)



Epidemic situation of measles:

- The epi-curve of measles illustrates a notable decrease since week 24-2026.
- During the 30th week of 2026, a total of 477 cases and 1 death have been reported (CFR=0.2%)
- Out of the total cases, 339 (71%) were under-five children, and 246 (51.5%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 17,403 measles cases and 71 deaths (CFR=0.4%) have been reported. Of these cases 13,333 (76.6%) are children under five and 8,319 (47.8%) are females.

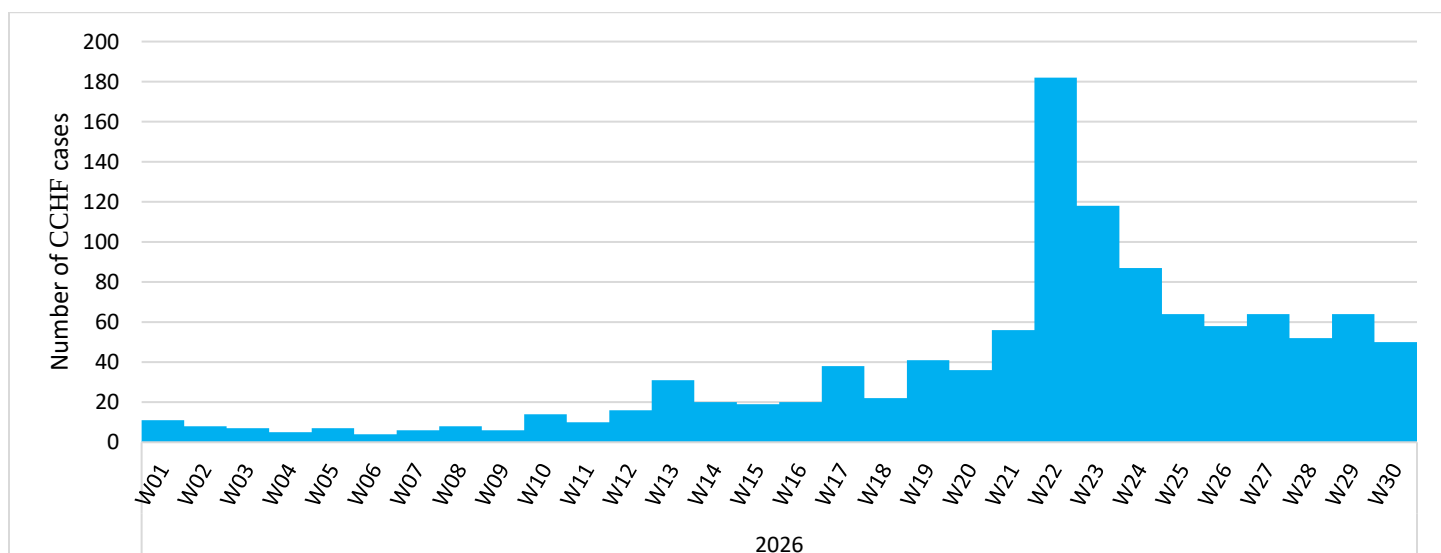
Figure 4: Epidemic curve of suspected measles cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 30, 2026)



Epidemic situation of CCHF:

- The epi-curve of suspected CCHF cases has shown a gradual decrease since week 23-2026.
- During week 30th 2026, a total of 50 cases and 4 deaths have been reported (CFR= 8%)
- Out of the total cases, none of them children under five, and 13 of them (26%) was females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 1,120 suspected CCHF cases and 41 deaths (CFR= 3.7%) have been reported. Of these cases 0 (0.0%) are children under five and 360 (32.1%) are females.

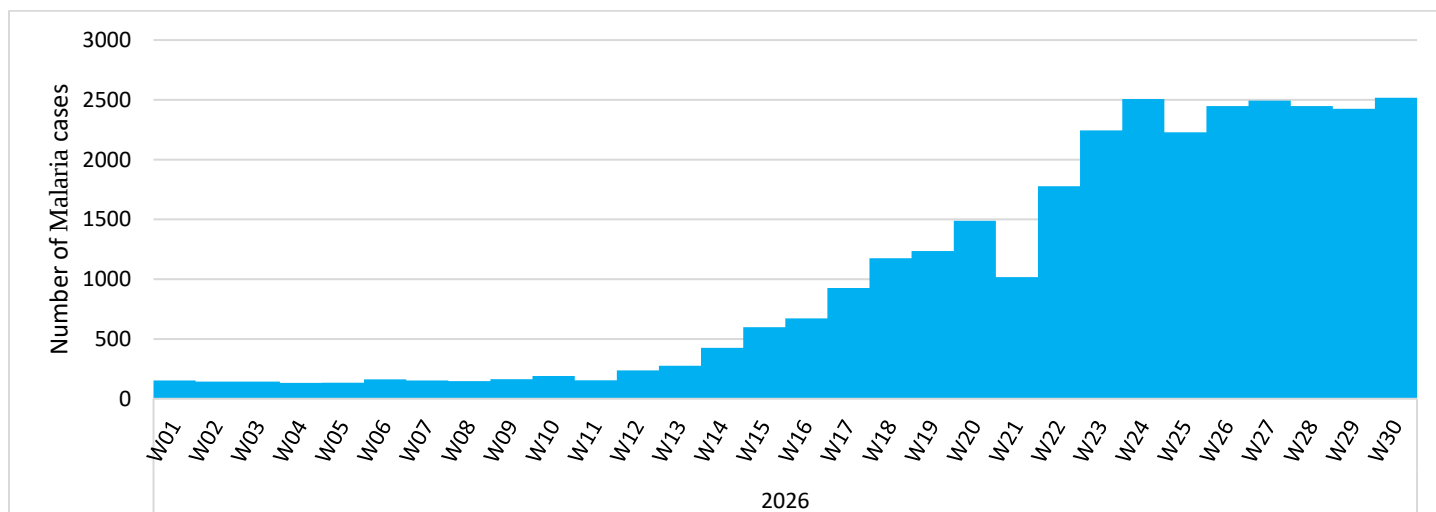
Figure 5: Epidemic curve of suspected CCHF cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 30, 2026)



Epidemic situation of malaria:

- The epi-curve of confirmed malaria illustrates a considerable increase since week 09-2026.
- During 30th week of 2026, a total of 2,517 cases and 0 death have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, 444 (17.6%) were children under-five, and 1,178 (46.8%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 30,820 confirmed malaria cases and zero deaths have been reported. Of these cases 5,853 (18.9%) are children under-five, and 14,418 (46.7%) are females.

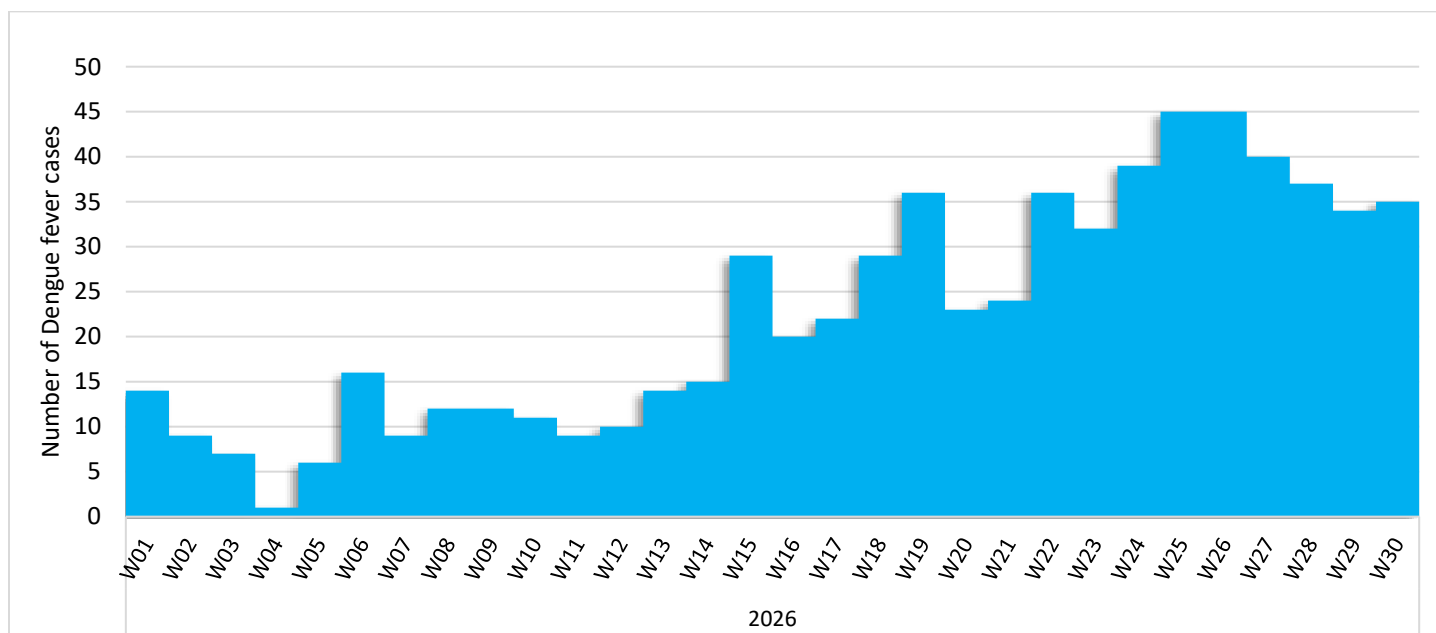
Figure 6: Th Epidemic curve of confirmed malaria cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 30, 2026)



Epidemic situation of dengue fever:

- The epi-curve of suspected dengue fever illustrates a considerable decrease since week 26 of 2026.
- During 30th week of 2026, a total of 35 cases and 0 deaths have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, none of them were children under five and 10 (28.6 %) cases were female.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 664 suspected dengue fever cases and 0 death (CFR=0.0%) have been reported. Of these cases none of them are children under five and 242 (36.4%) cases are females.

Figure 7: Epidemic curve of suspected dengue fever cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 30, 2026)



Epidemic situation of COVID-19

- The epi-curve of suspected COVID-19 illustrates a gradual decrease from weeks 48-2025.
- During 30th week of 2026, a total of 987 cases and 0 death have been reported (CFR=0.0%)
- Out of the total cases, 6 (0.6%) were under-five children, and 472 (47.8%) were females.
- Since the beginning of 2026, a total of 34,893 suspected COVID-19 cases and 0 death (CFR=0.0%) have been reported. Of these cases 189 (0.5%) are under-five children, and 17,410 (50%) are females.

Figure 8: Epidemic curve of suspected COVID-19 cases in Afghanistan (W 01, 2025 to W 30, 2026)

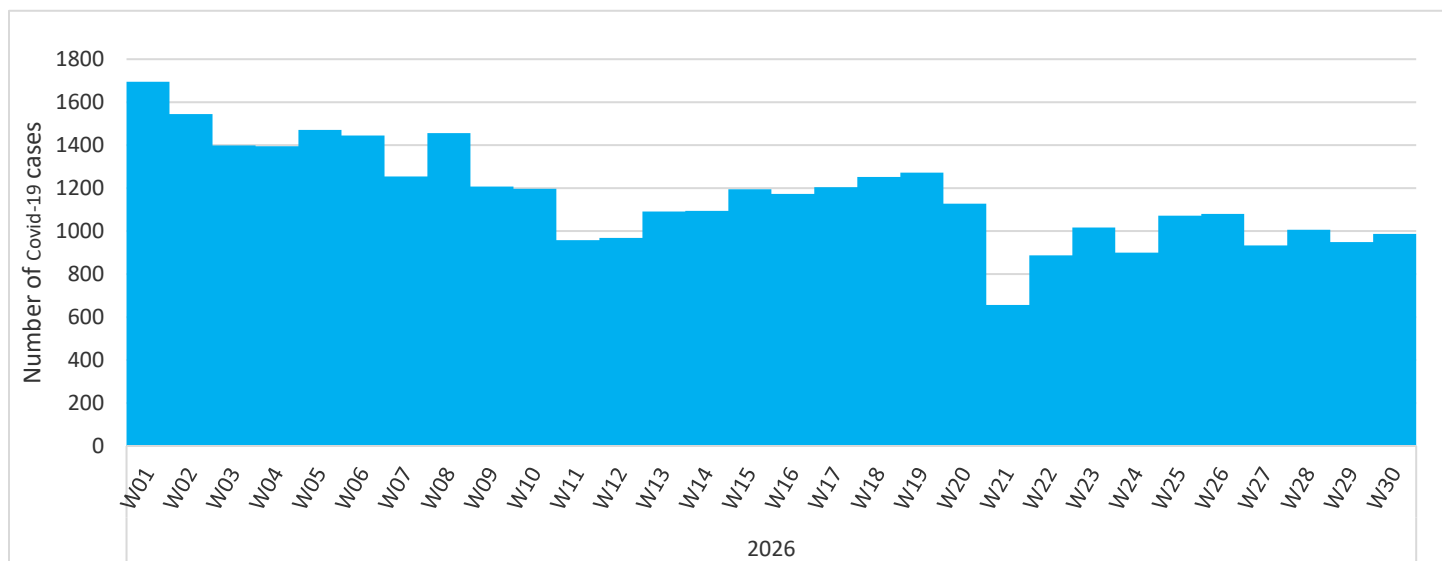


Figure 9: Geographical distribution of major infectious diseases cumulative cases by province in 2026

Figure 9: A (Pneumonia)

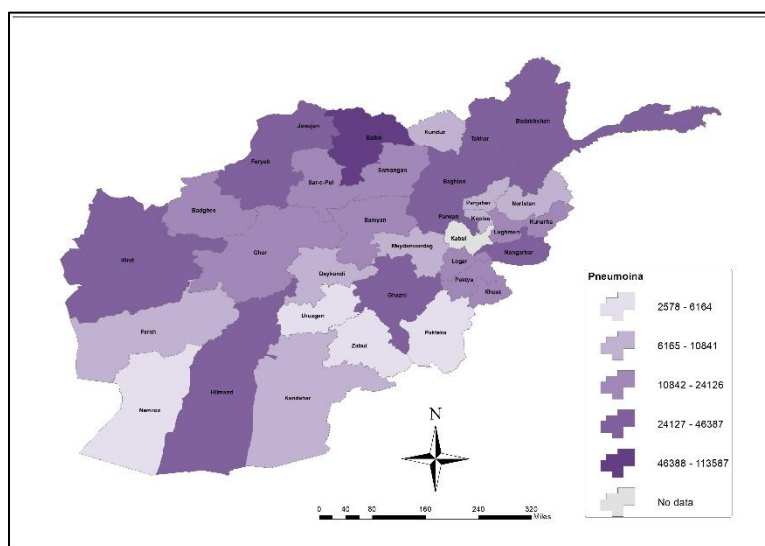


Figure 9: B (Measles)

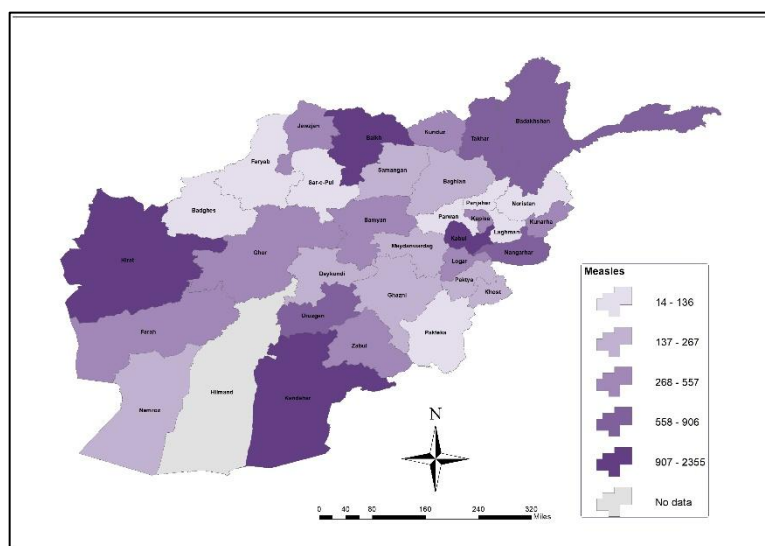


Figure 9: C (CCHF)

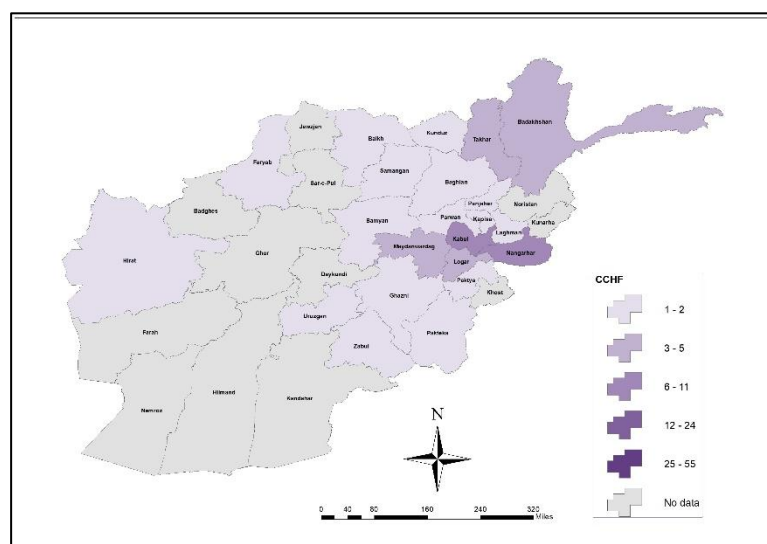
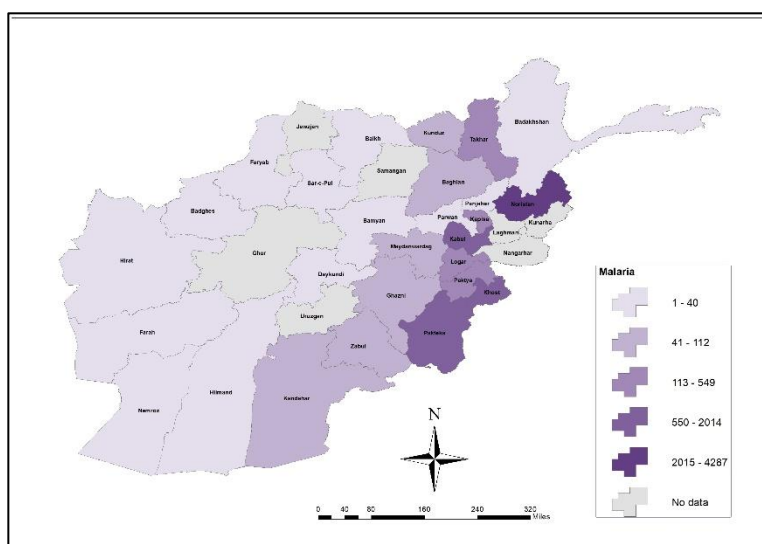


Figure 9: D (Malaria)



Influenza surveillance activities

- In epidemiological week 30 of 2026, we have received reports from all ten influenza sites. Out of all new hospital admissions, 691 (11.1%) Severe Acute Respiratory Infections cases were reported, and 400 (57.8%) were under 5 years old and 345 (49.9%) were female.
- The proportion of SARI cases increased (0.4%) compared to the previous week, and 29-SARI-associated deaths were reported this week: 27 (79.4%) under five and 20 (44.8%) females.
- At all influenza sentinel sites, the highest proportion of SARI cases were reported from Bamiyan (31%), Herat (14%), and Balkh (13%).
- 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, 6 lab confirmed case reported for Influenza B Victoria and COVID-19, but not a new influenza virus subtype.

Table 3: The Afghanistan NIC lab result of influenza specimens in Week 30, 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	0%
Badakhshan	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Balkh	5	1	0	0	1	0	0	20%
Bamiyan	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	20%
Herat	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Kabul	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Kapisa	5	2	0	0	0	0	2	40%
Kandahar	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Nangarhar	5	2	0	0	1	0	1	40%
Paktia	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Total	50	6	0	0	2	0	4	12%

Outbreak Situation

Table 4: Afghanistan infectious disease outbreaks report | Epidemiological Week # 30-2026

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

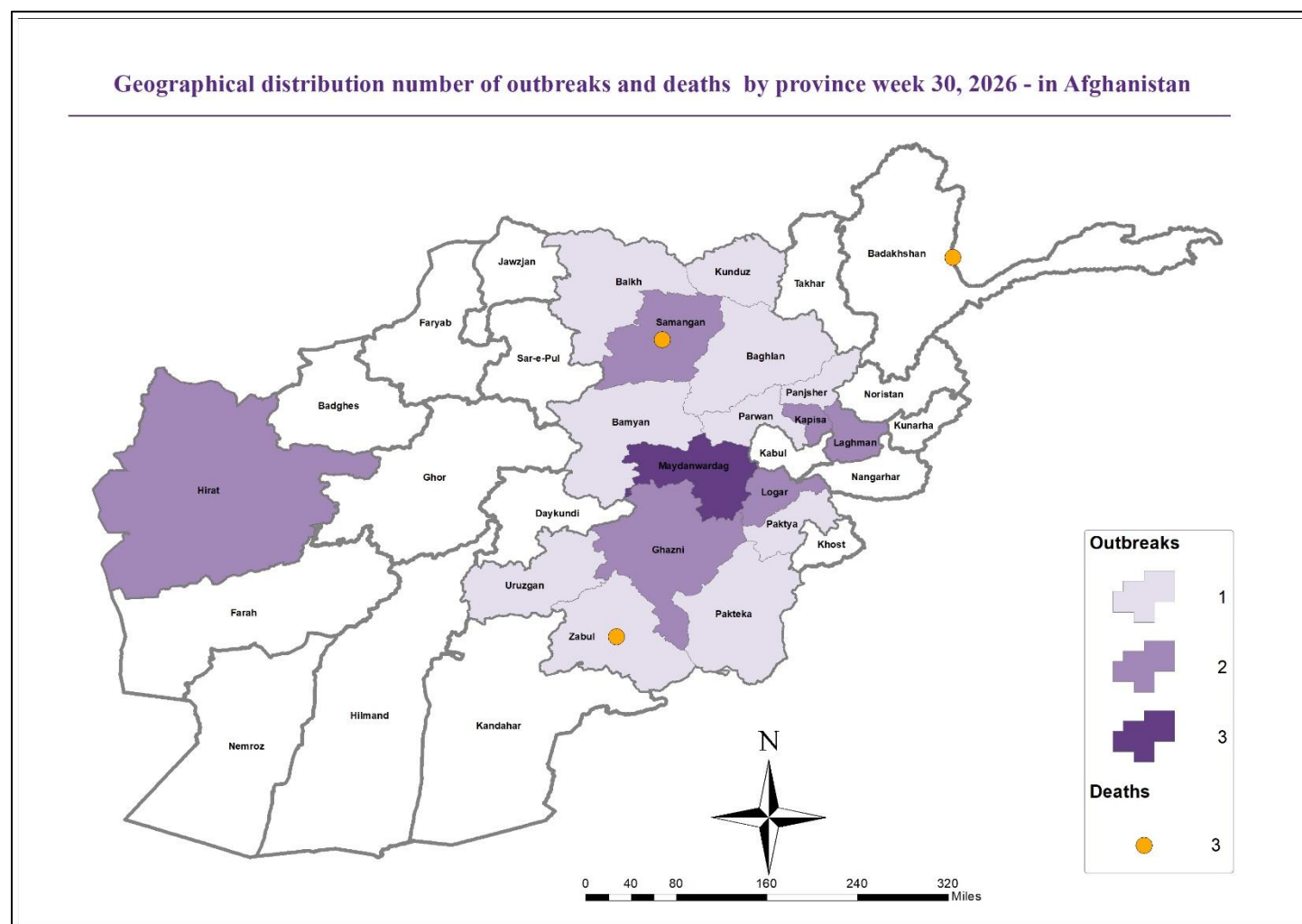


Table 5: Summary of diseases outbreaks during 2026

Disease/Event	Disease/Event	Lab-Confirm	Total Cases	Total Deaths
Measles	114	50	1039	16
Scabies	397	0	15508	0
Chickenpox	228	56	3648	0
Dog bite/Suspected Rabies	100	0	807	21
CCHF	28	15	95	7
Food Poisoning	19	0	244	3
Pertussis	219	136	1344	2
Anthrax	24	0	26	0
AWD with Dehydration	44	19	173	0
Acute Watery Diarrhea	6	0	321	1
Malaria	5	3	1166	0
ARI-Pneumonia	7	0	337	4
Brucellosis	0	0	0	0
Viral Hepatitis	3	1	26	0
COVID-19	2	0	37	0
Impetigo	5	0	127	0
Typhoid Fever	8	0	173	0

Mumps	29	0	341	0
Leishmaniasis	5	0	471	0
Botulism	0	0	0	0
Tinea Capitis	2	0	17	0
ARI-Cough and Cold	0	0	0	0
Acute Bloody Diarrhea	2	0	31	0
Rubella	0	0	0	0
Probable Diphtheria	1	0	15	0
Neonatal Tetanus	3	0	3	2
Dengue fever	0	0	0	0
Mushroom Poisoning	1	0	9	0
Donkey Bite	1	0	43	0
Grand Total	1253	280	26001	56

Figure 11: Number of Outbreaks Reported during 2026

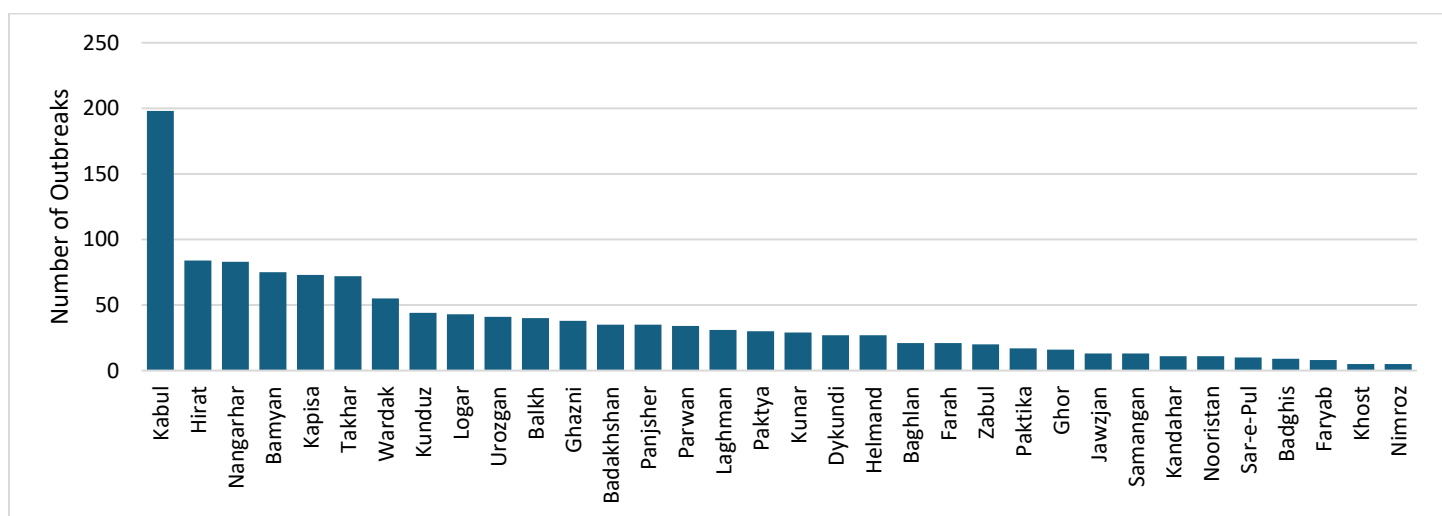


Figure 12: Outbreak Related Deaths During 2026

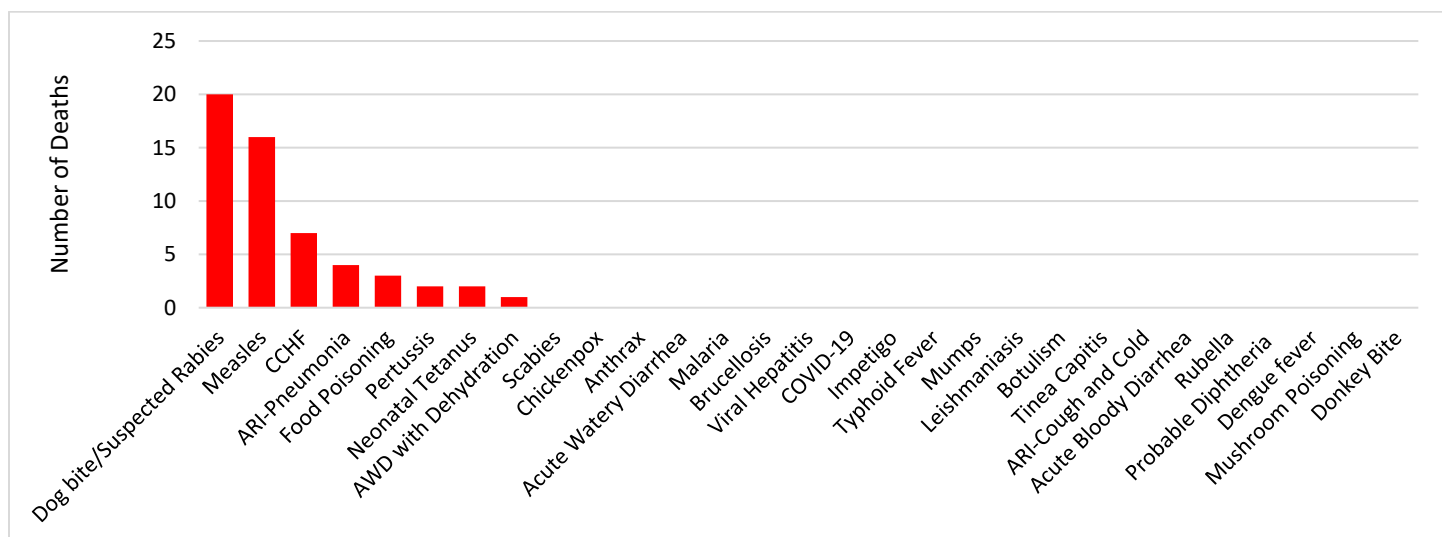


Table 6: Laboratory information from RRL, CPHL, NIDHL and provincial labs in Week # 30-2026

Lab Specimen	Specimen Tested	Specimen Confirmed	Positivity rate (%)
HAV/HEV	161	69	42.9
Measles	137	61	44.5
CCHF	68	14	20.6
Chickenpox	42	21	50.0
Pertussis	22	8	36.4
Dengue Fever	10	2	20.0
COVID-19	0	0	0.0
SARI	0	0	0.0
ILI	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
Monkey pox	440	175	39.8

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 increased since week 10 - 2026, it is recommended to maintain and strengthen control measures at the national level to prevent further transmission
- The increasing outbreaks of pertussis require strengthened vaccination coverage and preventive measures.
- The measles response strategy should be reviewed to respond to the current measles epidemic situation, as the surveillance system detected **483 (IBS+EBS)** suspected measles cases with **1 (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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