

FORTNIGHTLY e-BULLETIN: ANIMAL DISEASE INFORMATION OF BHUTAN*Information sharing for preparedness and response...*

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To update field colleagues and relevant stakeholders regarding animal disease situation in the country and related activities, the "Fortnightly e-Bulletin on Animal Disease Information of Bhutan" is issued by Disease Prevention and Control Unit (DPCU), National Centre for Animal Health (NCAH), Department of Livestock (DoL). The information disseminated regarding animal disease outbreak(s) in the country is based on flash and follow-up reports received from the outbreak investigation team. For real-time update, please visit our website, <http://www.ncah.gov.bt>

Chhukha Dzongkhag***Loggchina Gewog******FMD: 7 March 2021****

An outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) in cattle was reported from Amaley village, Loggchina gewog, Chhukha dzongkhag on 7 March 2021. As per the flash report shared, the outbreak has started from 4 March 2021, and a total of 7 cattle in a herd were affected. During the investigation, it was found that that affected herd has last received FMD vaccination in July 2019.

In line with the National FMD Prevention and Control Plan 2020, all the disease prevention and control measures have been implemented by the Dzongkhag Livestock Sector, Chhukha.

Samtse Dzongkhag***Namgyalchhoeling Gewog******FMD: 8 March 2021****

An outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) in cattle was reported from Tshosarling village, Namgyalchhoeling gewog, Samtse dzongkhag on 8 March 2021. As per the flash report shared, the outbreak which has started on 7 March 2021 has affected 4 cattle in two households, however, no mortality was reported. The outbreak investigation team had found that the two affected households have not vaccinated their cattle against FMD, intentionally.

All the necessary FMD prevention and control measures have been implemented in line with the National FMD Prevention and Control Plan 2020.

Chhukha Dzongkhag

Phuentshogling Gewog

Rabies: 8 & 15 March 2021*

A young female stray dog, with unnotched ears, in Pemaling village, Phuentshogling throm, Chhukha dzongkhag had tested positive to rabies on 8 March 2021. As per the report shared, the suspected dog was caught by local people and brought to the Thromde Veterinary Hospital and Satellite Laboratory (TVH&SL), Phuentshogling, kept under observation and succumbed to the infection on 8 March 2021.

On 15 March 2021, a stray mare (adult female horse) – suspected to be infected with rabies virus, darted and kept under observation since 14 March 2021 – in Kabreytar area, Phuentshogling throm, Chhukha dzongkhag has tested positive to rabies when tested using rapid Ag test.

The disease outbreak investigation team led by the Regional Livestock Development Centre (RLDC), Tsimasham has implemented all the control measures in line with the National Rabies Prevention and Control Plan 2017.

With the recently completed mass dog vaccination (against rabies) programme, all the above areas were successfully covered.

Chhukha Dzongkhag

Phuentshogling Gewog

Capripox: 10 March 2021*

On 10 March 2021, an outbreak of a disease in goats was reported from Kungkha and Dophulakha villages of Phuentshogling gewog, Chhukha dzongkhag. The samples referred to the National Centre for Animal Health (NCAH), Serbithang tested positive to *Capripox* virus on 15 March 2021.

As per the disease outbreak investigation report shared, a total of 3 households (two in Kungkha and one in Dophulakha) were affected, wherein 38 goats were infected and 19 of them died.

Similar disease outbreaks in goats were last reported in January 2021 from Amdo-Dolepchen and Toribari-Dubini areas under Loggchina gewog, Chhukha dzongkhag.

All the necessary control measures have been implemented by the RLDC, Tsimasham and Dzongkhag Livestock Sector, Chhukha.

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