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According to the national disease intelligence report, WHO revealed that there were 28 human avian influenza cases in China (Beijing, Hunan, Jiangsu, Anhui, Gansu, Guangxi, Hebei, Shandong, Sichuan, Liaoning and Zhejiang cities) during 22 March to 18 April 20017.

Thailand has not had any avian influenza during the past 12 years. However, surveillance systems in both humans, domestic poultry and migratory birds have been implemented continuously.



For effective monitoring and prompt response, the Department of Disease Control (DDC) has strengthened surveillance among people travelling to high risk areas with avian influenza outbreaks together with event-based surveillance for abnormal poultry deaths within the country.

DDC advises travelers to countries with current avian Influenza outbreaks to avoid visiting risk areas including poultry farm, live-bird market, and slaughterhouse. All should also avoid touching poultry, wash hands often and eat freshly-cooked and clean food. If having symptoms of flu like illness during 14 days after coming back, he or she should wear face mask, seek a hospital medical care immediately and always inform the history of travelling to high risk areas.

For the disease prompt investigation and control, owners must immediately notify unusual poultry deaths to livestock officer, public health officer or village health volunteer. Dead poultry must not be prepared for food but discarded properly. If anyone has fever, sore throat, muscle ache, cough or difficult breathing within 14 days after touching or consuming sick poultry, he or she must seek a hospital medical attention immediately.

For queries or additional information, please call DDC hotline 1422.

