

Department of Disease Control

Weekly Disease Forecast No.113_Avian Influenza (19 – 25 June 2017)

According to the Department of Disease Control (DDC)'s intelligence system on emerging infectious diseases, avian influenza outbreaks in poultry were recently reported in several countries including neighboring countries, i.e. Cambodia, Malaysia, Myanmar and Vietnam.

Avian influenza was found in Thailand in 2004 and there has not been any avian influenza in humans and poultry since 2006. However, surveillance systems in both humans, domestic poultry and migratory birds have been implemented continuously.



DDC has strengthened surveillance among people travelling to high risk areas with avian influenza outbreaks and advises them to avoid visiting risk areas including poultry farms, live-bird markets and slaughterhouses. All should avoid touching poultry, wash hands often and eat freshly-cooked food. If Having symptoms of flu-like illness during 14 days after coming back, he or she should wear protective mask, seek a hospital medical care immediately and always inform traveling history to high risk areas.

For event-based surveillance, prompt investigation and control within the country, owners must immediately notify unusual poultry deaths to livestock officer, public health officer or village health volunteer. DDC strongly advises people not to prepare dead or sick poultry for food but discarded properly. For additional information, please call the Bureau of Disease Control and Veterinary Services, Department of Livestock Development Tel. 0-2653-4444 ext. 4137 to 8.

if anyone has a high fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, dyspnea and have history of direct contact with or consume dead poultry, seeking medical care at a hospital is urgent and crucial.

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

