

# WHO HEALTH EMERGENCIES MONTHLY REPORT

**APRIL 2024** 

## **Summary**

# Dengue in Indonesia

Source: Ministry of Health (MOH)

cumulative number in 2024

As at 30 April 2024

88 593

cases

**621** 

deaths

262 463

suspected dengue

456

districts across 38 provinces reported cases

# **NTT rabies update**





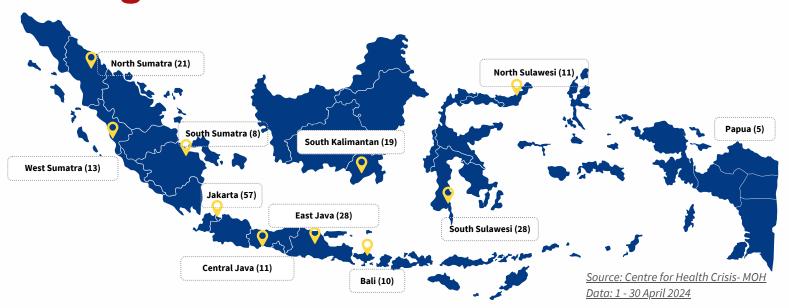
48 deaths

from 2023 to April 2024

**East Nusa Tenggara (NTT)** remains a high-risk area in Indonesia.

Source: MOH - Zoonoses Unit As at 30 April 2024

# **Emergencies** in Indonesia



213 disasters in April 2024

163
natural disasters

50 non-natural disasters Highlighted event

Volcano eruption in North Sulawesi

# **Overview**

This monthly report focuses on highlighted zoonoses and emerging infectious diseases (EIDs) and emergencies occurring in Indonesia. For each, a brief description on the situation is provided. This report also includes updates on the work done by the WHO Health Emergencies (WHE) team.

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# **Dengue situation** in Indonesia



88 593 cases\*



The highest number of cases are found in Bandung City, Tangerang City, Bogor City, Kendari City and West Bandung District.



The highest Case Fatality Rate (CFR) are found in Serdang Begadai, Tidore Kepulauan City, Mandailing Natal, Barru, Jepara.



621 deaths nationwide\*

Source: Ministry of Health (MOH) and WHO As at 30 April 2024 \*cumulative number in 2024

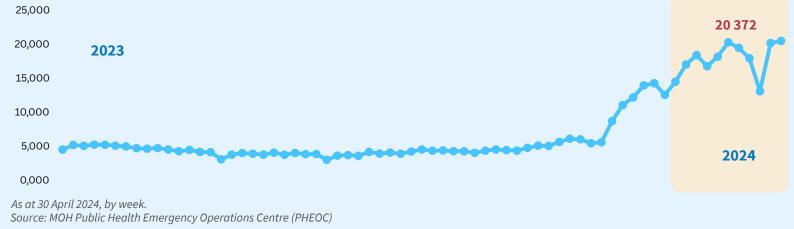
Dengue cases were reported in 456 districts across 34 provinces.

The total number of suspected dengue reported from the Early Warning, Alert and Response System (EWARS) in 2024 up to week 17 reached 262 463.

WHO cautioned that the rising temperatures, increased rainfall, and prolonged droughts associated with climate change may increase dengue incidence worldwide.

WHO Indonesia supports the Government of Indonesia through funds and technical expertise to update guidelines for dengue outbreak management, improve sentinel dengue surveillance, and conduct training in dengue outbreak response in 38 provinces. WHO is also supporting the procurement of 5 000 rapid diagnostic tests for dengue.

## National trend of suspected dengue in 2023-2024



# How to lower the risk of getting Dengue? Source: WHO

Wear clothes that cover much of your body Use mosquito nets when sleeping during the day

Use mosquito repellents



Use window screens



Use mosquito coils and vaporizers

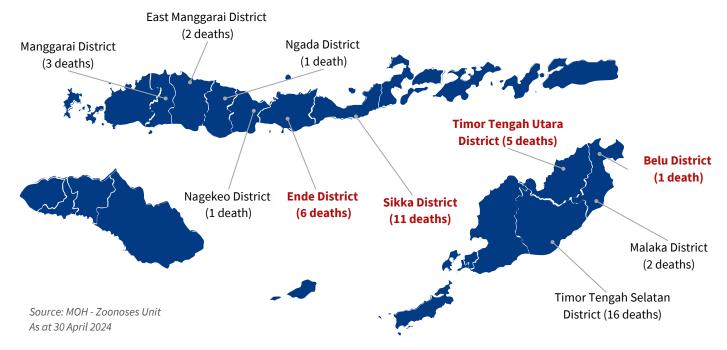


## **Rabies situation in NTT**

Rabies remains a significant public health concern in East Nusa Tenggara (NTT), with four new deaths reported in April 2024: one each in Ende, Sikka, Timor Tengah Utara, and Belu Districts. This brings the total number of rabies-related deaths in NTT to 48 from 2023 to April 2024.

**WHO Indonesia** supported MOH in monitoring the situation and coordinated with PHEOC. WHO supported MOH to procure antirabies sera and vaccines; 2 481 antirabies sera (2nd batch) and 8 850 antirabies vaccines have been delivered to MOH.

## Distribution of rabies deaths in NTT between 2023 - April 2024



## **Responses by local authorities**

Sikka District established a rabies outbreak command centre in 17 March 2024. This centre facilitates daily monitoring of bite cases, the number of samples tested, deaths, and the availability of vaccines.

Source: MOH - Zoonoses Unit As at 30 April 2024 Sikka District conducted a comprehensive coordination meeting covering various topics, including rabies-related-deaths on 17 April 2024. It involved various sectors and levels including the neighborhood level, to control the risk of rabies in Sikka.

## How to prevent rabies transmission from dogs?

Source: WHO and MOH



Rabies is 100% preventable. Vaccinating 70% of dogs breaks rabies transmission cycle in an area at risk.



No bites = no rabies.

## If bitten by dogs,



Wash the bite area(s) with running water and soap for 15 minutes.



Immediately visit a health facility (hospital, puskesmas, or rabies centre) to receive further treatment.

# **Highlighted emergencies situation** in Indonesia

#### Mount Ruang volcano eruption in **North Sulawesi**



Mount Ruang is the southernmost volcano in the Sangihe Islands arc, North Sulawesi. On 17 April 2024, the status of Mt. Ruang was raised to level IV. A total of 838 residents were evacuated from coastal areas over potential tsunami concerns due to volcanic lava flow. The status was lowered to level III on 23 April and was again increased to level IV on 30 April 2024.



15 210 people affected



1 hospital and 1 puskesmas were damaged but remain operational, 5 primary healthcare subcentres and 2 village health posts are not operational



6 267 people internally displaced



top 3 diseases: 529 cases acute respiratory infection, 191 cases hypertension (high blood pressure), and 71 cases dyspepsia.



54 people suffering severe injury



1 182 people suffering minor injury

#### List of affected health facilities

#### **Operational**

- · Tagulandang Hospital
- Puskesmas Tagulandang

#### Non operational

- Pumpente primary healthcare subcentre
- Liangpatehi primary healthcare subcentre
- Boto primary healthcare subcentre
- Tulusang primary healthcare subcentre
- Haasi primary healthcare subcentre
- Lesah village health post
- Mahangiang village health post

Source: Centre for Health Crisis- MOH As at 30 April 2024



General medical checkup by the Emergency Medical Team of the North Sulawesi regional health crisis centre (credit: Centre for Health Crisis MOH)



Centre for Health Crisis supported the establishment of Health Emergency Operations Centre (HEOC) (credit: Centre for Health Crisis MOH)



Health crisis management evaluation meeting (credit: Centre for Health Crisis MOH)

## **Response to the Mount Ruang volcano eruption**

## Ministry of Health (MOH)

- 1. Deployed a three-member team from the Centre for Health Crisis for management support, including activating the Health Emergency Operation Center (HEOC).
- 2. Mobilised Emergency Medical Team from the North Sulawesi Regional Centre for Health Crisis to bolster healthcare services in volcano eruption-affected areas.
- 3. Organised logistics for both the community and field personnel.
- 4. Arranged coordination meetings with regional authorities and relevant stakeholders.
- 5. Monitored and shared updates on the situations.

## **Provincial Health Office (PHO)**

- Provided support for health crisis management and HEOC activation in the Kepulauan Sitaro District Health Office.
- 2. Mobilised a health crisis management and HEOC support team on 20 April 2024.

#### **WHO Indonesia**

1. Monitors the situation in coordination with MOH (the Center for Health Crisis and PHEOC).

#### **District Health Office (DHO)**

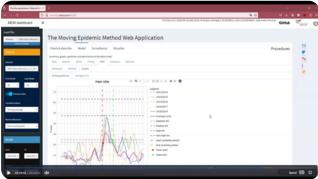
- 1. Conducted a rapid health assessment to measure the extent of the impact of the volcano eruption and identify priority areas.
- 2. Activated the HEOC to streamline coordination efforts in managing health crises.
- 3. Mobilised health workers at community health centres and hospitals to deliver essential health services in shelters.
- 4. Established outpatient and inpatient health services at puskesmas Minanga and Kisihang, as well as health posts in shelters.
- 5. Coordinated the deployment of volunteers and health teams on the ground.
- 6.Implemented surveillance measures to monitor both infectious diseases with outbreak potential and non-communicable diseases.
- 7. Collaborated closely with relevant crosssector units, including Regional Disaster Management Agency, the Indonesian National Armed Forces, North Sulawesi Regional Police's medical and health unit, and volunteers, to ensure a comprehensive and effective response.



# WHO Health Emergencies (WHE) Activities - April

#### **Zoonoses and EIDs preparedness**

- WHO participated in the Multisectoral Workshop on One Health Indonesia Profile on 3 April 2024 funded by the World Bank. Participants discussed strengths, gaps, and opportunities to improve One Health collaboration and governance, which will help inform the One Health collaboration roadmap. Recommendations include preventing EIDs and spillovers, prevention of and resilience to zoonotic diseases and antimicrobial resistance, and One Health governance and institutional arrangements.
- WHO conducted orientation on Pandemic Influenza Severity Assessment (PISA) focusing on Moving Epidemiology Method, involving around 15 participants from WHO Country Office, SEARO and HQ, and related programmes of MOH and the national referral laboratory.



Credit: WHO/Endang Wulandari

WHO procured 2 481 antirabies sera (2nd batch) and 8 850 antirabies vaccines which have been delivered to MOH Indonesia as part of rabies response with funding from DFAT. This brings the total of 3 080 antirabies sera delivered to MOH (599 antirabies sera was delivered in batch 1 earlier in 2023).





Credit: MOH

- WHO, FAO and World Bank collaborated with the Government of Indonesia on the development and submission of a proposal for the Pandemic Fund with a focus on collaborative approach for resilient One Health surveillance and pandemic preparedness.
- WHO delivered a presentation on harnessing opportunities for global collaboration and integration during the MOH organized Arbovirus Summit in Bali on 22–23 April 2024.



Credit: WHO/Endang Wulandari

WHO provided technical inputs during consultations in preparation of the MOH funded field simulation exercise of potential public health emergency events on 22–24 April 2024.



Credit: MOH

- WHO delivered a presentation on the updated global strategy for influenza and pandemic preparedness at a Global Fund funded severe actue respiratory infection (SARI) refresher training from 24–26 April 2024, in Makassar, South Sulawesi. Around 63 participants attended the meeting. Participants came from 15 SARI sentinel sites, MOH, district health offices, public health laboratories, and national referral laboratory, WHO, and USCDC.
- WHO participated in the Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA) Case Study Interview - FAO HQ on 25 April 2024 in Jakarta. This conversation includes topics on collaboration between WHO-FAO in Zoonosis prevention under One Health approach.

# WHO Health Emergencies (WHE) Activities - April

#### **Zoonoses and EIDs preparedness**

WHO participated and provided inputs in a follow-up meeting for the development of curricula and training modules for the Field Epidemiology Training Programme (FETP) mentor on 28-30 April 2024.





Credit: WHO/Endang Wulandari

- WHO Indonesia participated in the online technical community meeting for development of Preparedness and Resilience for Emerging Threat (PRET) training curricula, organised by WHO HQ.
- WHO supported the ASEAN Centre for Public Health Emergencies and Emerging Diseases (ACPHEED) by providing consultants for ACPHEED office. Three consultants supported ACPHEED in research and development of APCHEED detection and risk assessment, digital technology information system, and ACPHEED leadership.

#### **Surveillance**

- WHO supported a meeting on dengue outbreak guidelines revision on 17–20 April 2024 in Yogyakarta. A training session followed up this meeting, also in Yogyakarta, for all 38 provinces, in the subsequent week. The training involved field visits to a Wolbachia laboratory in Yogyakarta. As a follow-up to the development of dengue guidelines, WHO took part in the dengue outbreak response training from 22–25 April 2024.
- WHO provided technical support and data analysis for monitoring disease outbreaks during Eid al-Fitr holidays 2024 (3–18 April 2024).
- WHO participated in a meeting on lessons from FAO's support to the GHSA, sharing information on Zoonoses and EIDs Information System (SIZE) implementation, One Health and antimicrobial resistance (AMR) on 25 April 2024.
- WHO participated in an advocacy meeting on community-based surveillance (CBS) in collaboration with Australia Indonesia Health Security Partnership (AIHSP) and MOH in Yogyakarta on 2–3 April 2024. The meeting was attended by the Ministry of Villages, Underdeveloped Regions and Transmigration, Ministry of Home Affairs, province health office, local planning agency, and district health office.
- WHO delivered a presentation on the hazard calendar at the EWARS monthly meeting on 29 April 2024.
- WHO participated in the kick-off meeting of wastewater surveillance in collaboration with MOH, Gadjah Mada University (UGM), and the National University of Singapore (NUS) on 30 April 2024.

## **Health Emergencies Preparedness**

- WHO, together with UNDP, organized a stakeholder meeting on Green Climate Fund (GCF) on 29 April 2024. The meeting identified strategies to advance a programme preparation facility for climate and health co-investment projects.
- WHO participated in a UNCT humanitarian network meeting on 19 April to engage with the UN Network on Migration Adviser. The objective was to delve into migration issues addressed by UN networks worldwide and foster collaboration to tackle migration challenges and advocate for safe, orderly, and regular migration pathways in Indonesia.
- WHO participated in a meeting on basic life support and emergency ambulance standards conducted by Centre of Health Crisis, MOH, in Jakarta. Outcomes of this meeting, held on 19 April 2024, included enhanced coordination, policy recommendations, advocacy for increased funding, capacitybuilding initiatives, and awareness campaigns to improve health access and long-term temporary shelters for Rohingya refugees.
- WHO participated in a discussion on refugee issues and protection in Indonesia and the region with Ms Ruvendrini Menikdiwela, the UNHCR Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, on 23 April 2024.