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Report Name: India Confirms Highly Pathogenic Influenza in Kerala

Country: India

Post: New Delhi

Report Category: Agricultural Situation, Agriculture in the News, Poultry and Products, Pest/Disease Occurrences

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Report Highlights:

On January 4, 2021, the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India (GOI) confirmed the occurrence of highly pathogenic influenza (HPAI) virus of serotype H5N8 in several locations in the state of Kerala. Subsequently, on January 9, 2021, the GOI confirmed the same to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE).

OVERVIEW:

On January 4, 2021, the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India (GOI) confirmed the occurrence of highly pathogenic influenza (HPAI) virus of serotype H5N8 throughout several locations in the state of Kerala. Subsequently, on January 9, 2021, the Indian government notified the same to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE). The event was detected in ducks and status of the outbreak is “continuing.” The infection origin was reported to be unknown, or inconclusive. More information can be accessed from [OIE India HPAI H5N8 Kerala](#) (See icon below).



Highly pathogenic avian influenza,
India



Information received on 09/01/2021 from Dr Atul Chaturvedi, Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, New Delhi, India

Summary

Report type	Immediate notification
Date of start of the event	21/12/2020
Date of confirmation of the event	04/01/2021
Report date	09/01/2021
Date submitted to OIE	09/01/2021
Reason for notification	Recurrence of a listed disease
Date of previous occurrence	30/09/2020
Manifestation of disease	Clinical disease
Causal agent	Highly pathogenic avian influenza virus
Serotype	H5N8
Nature of diagnosis	Laboratory (advanced)
This event pertains to	a defined zone within the country

New outbreaks (5)

Attachments:

No Attachments.