

# CHOLERA OUTBREAK IN KATHMANDU VALLEY

8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

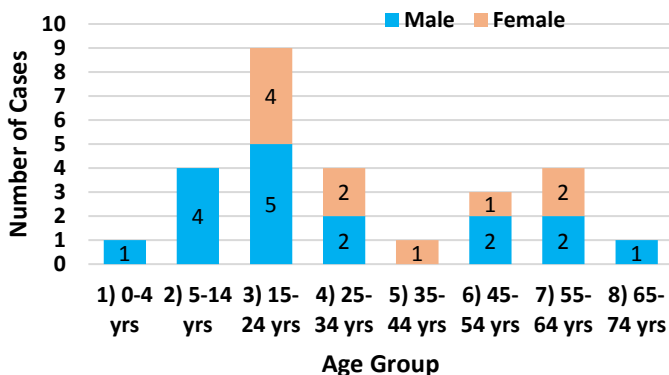
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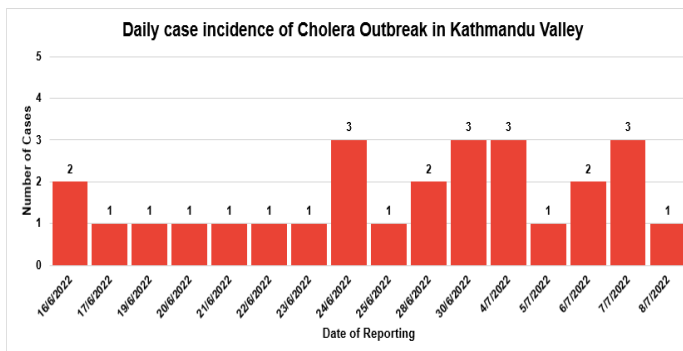
## Highlights

- As of 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022, a total of 27 cases of Cholera has been reported
- 1 new case (1 Female) detected in the last 24 hours from Harisiddhi, Lalitpur Municipality-28 of age 62 years and currently under treatment.
- Cholera was confirmed by stool culture in 10 cases, 12 by RDT and hanging drop in 5 cases.
- Sukraraj Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital (STIDH) reported 2 cases on 16 June, 1 case on 17 June, 1 case on 19 June with an additional case on 21 June 2022. Two cases are residents of Bagbazaar, Kathmandu-28; 1 case is resident of Sanepa, Lalitpur-3; 1 case from Dilibazaar, Kathmandu and 1 case from Boratar, Balaju, Kathmandu-16.
- On 20<sup>th</sup> June, Patan Academy of Health Sciences (PAHS) reported 1 microbiologically confirmed case of Cholera through EWARS, resident of Kapan, Budhanilkantha-10.
- The first two cases reported from STIDH belonged to same family and household and worked in Dillibazar area in a furnishing shop. Initial field investigation conducted by joint team from Kathmandu DHO, Metropolitan, EDCD, DFTQC and WHO revealed using tap water for drinking purpose without boiling. Initial case investigation of other two cases revealed that source of drinking water was commercial jar water.
- 4 samples of stored tap, Jar and ground water from index case household and workplace found contamination with coliform
- Out of 62 water samples taken and tested jointly by DWSSM, EDCD, KUKL, 41 samples showed contamination with fecal E.coli.
- KVWSMB conducted spot test of Free Residual Chlorine (FRC) in 21 tankers and out of them, 10 were not detected with FRC.
- Out of 44 water sample tested, 10 tested for fecal Ecoli in Kathmandu valley.

## Age and Sex Distribution



## Epidemic curve of reported cases of Cholera in Kathmandu Valley, as of 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (n=27)



## Key figures



Cases  
27



Related deaths  
0

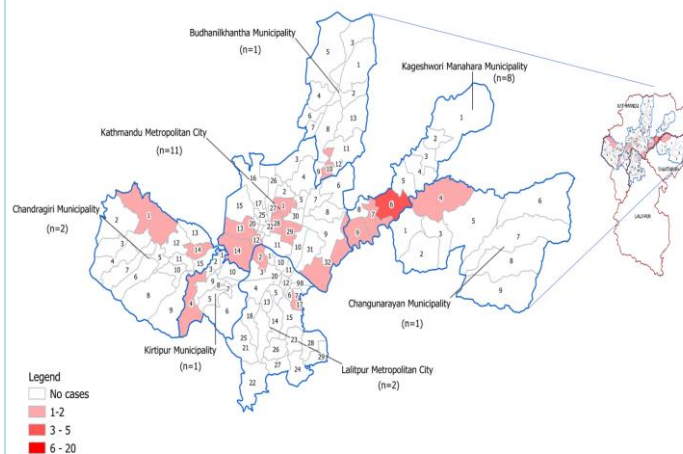


CFR  
0%



Children ≤5  
2

## Ward-wise distribution of Cholera cases in Kathmandu Valley: 16th June to 7th July 2022



## Activities of response and plan:

- On 19<sup>th</sup> June 2022 EDCD conducted emergency meeting on preparedness and response of Cholera involving all stakeholders from DoHS, STIDH, Kathmandu DHO, and Metropolitan.
- Press brief sent to HEOC and released by MoHP
- Team division and workplan has been formulated after meeting with concerned stakeholders
- On 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2022 A team from EDCD along with District team conducted field epidemiological investigation at Kirtipur and brought 6 samples of three cases.
- On 6<sup>th</sup> July, EDCD director briefed on cholera outbreak on regular press brief at NTV.
- Investigating team visited Kageshwari Manahara and Mulpani Hospital to conducted field investigation in support of WHO.
- Booth campaign that was conducted in Ward 13,14,16,28 and 29 of Kathmandu Metropolitan City, 402 households voluntarily brought their drinking water for testing using Presence/Absence (H2S) vial between June 16 to June 23,2022. Out of those tested and results received (76), 10 samples were found positive with coliform and 66 samples were found to be negative.
- Altogether 256 households have collected Piyush from the booths from various locations so far.
- WASH Awareness program is going on.

## Plan

- Continue setting up water testing booth at different sites.
- FCHV training for door-to-door awareness.
- Continued surveillance and field investigation in Lalitpur area.

## Pictures

