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## Overview OIE/JTF project on HPAI control in Asia and other related programs by the OIE Asia-Pacific

The 5<sup>th</sup> OIE Regional Expert Group Meeting for Implementation of the Programme on Surveillance of Wild and Domestic Birds along Migratory Flyways under the OIE/JTF Project for Strengthening HPAI Control in Asia

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# 1. Introduction of Work Plan for RR Asia-Pacific

 Work plan (in reference to the OIE 5<sup>th</sup> Strategic Plan)

Programme related to HPAI controls activities



#### Strategic Objective in OIE 5th Strategic Plan (2011-2015)

#### SO 1. ANIMAL DISEASE AND ZOONOSIS INFORMATION

SO 2. DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SCIENTIFICALLY BASED STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

#### SO 3. PREVENTION, CONTROL AND ERADICATION OF ANIMAL DISEASES, INCLUDING ZOONOSES

- SO 4. ENSURING THE SCIENTIFIC EXCELLENCE OF INFORMATION AND ADVICE
- SO 5. CAPACITY BUILDING FOR NATIONAL VETERINARY SERVICES
- SO 6. STRENGTHENING THE ORGANISATION'S INFLUENCE ON POLICY DESIGN, APPLIED RESEARCH AND GOVERNANCE



#### **Relationship between Programme for 2012-2013 and Strategic Objective**

#### 4 Programmes (Activities) in 2012- 213 (Work Plan) under JTF Programme A:

- : Support for activities to improve animal health situation in the Region
- Co-organization of the regional workshops for recent topics with APHCA or FAO
- Publication of the OIE/NACA Quarterly Reports on Aquatic Animal Diseases (QAAD).
- Development of the OIE/NACA WAHIS Regional Core
- Provide the information on Animal health by the OIE Regional Web site etc.

#### Programme F:

- : Strengthening of diagnostic capacity of national laboratories with OIE Reference Laboratories.
- Training courses on surveillance and diagnostic techniques at OIE Reference Centres SO 5
- Short term hands-on training course in collaboration with OIE Reference Centres etc.

#### Programme G:

- : Prevention and control of major transboundary animal diseases.
- The Regional GF-TADs Steering Committee Meeting, jointly co-organised with FAO
   SO 3
- Coordination Committee Meeting for FMD control in Asia under the OIE/JTF project
- Field study and Surveillance FMD virus under the OIE/JTF Project on FMD Control in Asia etc.

#### Programme H: (To be completed at the end of FY 2012)

- : Prevention and control of Avian Influenza at source
- Regional Meeting on Strengthening Animal Health Information Networking in Asia.
- Expert Group Meeting for Implementation of Surveillance
- Surveillance of wild birds and domestic animals in Asia
- Wrap up meetings on the activities for HPAI control in Asia under the OIE/JTF project etc.
  - \* Blue highlighted parts are related to the HPAI activities

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Strategic Plan

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**SO** 6

# 2. OIE/JTF project for HPAI control in Asia (Programme H)

1) Background and the HPAI projects since 2006

2) Components of the OIE/JTF project (5 year project)



# **Programme H**

- : Prevention and control of pandemic Avian Influenza
  - Regional Meeting on Strengthening Animal Health Information Networking in Asia.
  - Expert Group Meeting for Implementation of Surveillance
  - Surveillance of wild birds and domestic animals in Asia
  - Wrap up meetings on the activities for HPAI control in Asia under the OIE/JTF project

etc.

### **Background and HPAI Control Projects since 2006**

#### •Big concern of the disease in the Region:

HPAI: Resurgent and continuously reported since 2003 and even in 2009 and 2010 and negative economic impacts and risks to animal and human health

#### 1. OIE/J(S)TF Project for the Region OIE Project of HPAI control in Southeast Asia (2006-2007: Phase I)

2. Epidemiological changes of HPAI in Asia OIE/J(S)TF Project for strengthening HPAI control in Asia
<u>1) 5 year Project for Asia (2008-2012)</u>
2) 2 year Project for Asia (2008-2009 : Phase II)

for East and South Asia and Mongolia



#### OIE/JSTF Project for strengthening HPAI Control in Asia (Phase II)

(1) Capacity building of HPAI diagnosis and surveillance

- National Hands-on Workshop on Real-Time PCR for diagnosis of HPAI in 2009 2010
- Regional Training course for the staff of National laboratories on Genetic analysis technologies for HPAI in March 2010

(2) Procurement of Laboratory equipment and materials To support (1) above; Laboratory capacity building Phase II: 7 countries (East and South Asian countries) India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan and Bangladesh+ Mongolia

- Identification of national laboratories and listing the required laboratory diagnostic equipment and materials (2008) (7countries, 23 Laboratories are selected)
- Procurement of the equipment and renovation of the laboratories(2009-2010)









#### OIE Hands-on Technical Training in SAARC Region under OIE/JSTF Project Phase II (2008 – 2009)

**National Training** 

**Regional Training** 



**Diagnosis with Real-Time PCR** 

in 4 countries

(Nepal, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Sri Lanka)

DNA Sequencing in Kathmandu, Nepal

Resource Person : Dr Zaheer Ahmed and Dr Naila Siddique,

From Pakistan: National Reference Lab for Poultry Diseases





#### Meeting related to OIE/JTF project for HPAI Control Projects in Asia

#### 1. Inception Meeting, Tokyo

April 2008 :

- To start and consultation on the Project
- To discuss the frame work of the Project
- •To discuss the outline of the activities

#### 2. Expert Meeting, Tokyo (Component III)

1<sup>st</sup> :October, 2008 2<sup>nd</sup>: May 2009 3<sup>rd</sup> :June 2010 4<sup>th</sup> :June 2011 5<sup>th</sup> :December 2012

Implementation of Surveillance of Wild Birds and Domestic Animals along Migratory Flyways

- •To discuss the implementation plan (frame work )
- To define the countries to be focused for surveillance
- To discuss the field surveillance activities
- To share the information of achievement by the project

#### 3. Information Networking Meeting, (Component I)

- 1<sup>st</sup>: November, 2008,(Tokyo)
  2<sup>nd</sup>: September, 2009,(Tokyo)
  3<sup>rd</sup>: September 2010, (Tokyo)
  4<sup>th</sup>: September 2011 (Chiang Mai)
  5<sup>th</sup>: October (Hanoi)
- To share up-to-date information of HPAI control strategy including the Vaccination strategy
- To discuss and share the experience of animal health information Network development



## The 5<sup>th</sup> Regional Meeting for Strengthen Animal Health Information Network in Hanoi, Vietnam 2-3 October 2012



#### Main recommendation of the 5<sup>th</sup> OIE Regional Meeting for Strengthen Information Network

- Technical partners (OIE,FAO etc.) should support existing platforms for sharing and exchanging information about HPAI situation and experience in controlling the disease in Asia.
- Members should consider all HPAI control strategies including vaccination when and where appropriate.
- Attempts should be made to consolidate experiences in reducing risks in the poultry market chain and to identify good practice guidelines and options for disease control.
- Members should strengthen field studies and surveillance programme to monitor and better understand the HPAI H5N1 situation in their territories



## Surveillance of Wild bird and Domestic animals along migratory flyways (Component III)

#### **Objective**

- To provide supportive information for awareness and effective control measures on HPAI
- To understand the possible role of wild birds in the transmission or spread of HPAI H5N1 virus in the Region

#### Activities

- Surveillance of AI viruses, and epidemiological study related to flying routes of migratory birds Poultry (Back yard, Live Bird Market and Farm) Wild bird (Within a 30 km radius of wild bird capturing sites) Environment (Dropping, Lake water)
- Investigate Wild Bird flyways by telemetry study
- Analyze isolated viruses and establish the Data base of the viruses in Reference Laboratory (Hokkaido University)



## **Selection of Country for AI surveillance**

#### How countries/territories were selected?

- 1. Recent HPAI H5N1 incidences
- 2. Asian Migratory birds Flyways
- 3. Provision of samples to OIE Reference Lab
- 4. Access to relevant information concerning migration of wild birds
- 5. Local experts on wild birds (ornithologists)
- 6. Steady framework for cooperation



#### **Implementation procedure for AI Surveillance**

#### **Expert Group Meeting**

- Annually convenes in Tokyo,
- To discuss the annual implementation plan,
- To share information, etc.

## AI Study Mission

- Discussion with Authorities of Veterinary Services
- Field visit to identify candidate sites for wild bird capturing, etc.



#### **Working Group Meeting**

- At local level
- To start AI surveillance

## Al virus study

- OIE Reference Lab (Hokkaido Uni. and AQS)

Report

**Samples** 

### Surveillance

- Government official
- Provincial official
- Local veterinarians

### **Selection of Countries for AI Surveillance**

### 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> year (April 2008- March 2010)

### **Region: East and Southeast Asia**

• 1<sup>st</sup> year (2008-2009):

Hong Kong SAR, Vietnam(2sites)

• 2<sup>nd</sup> year (2009-2010):

Vietnam(2sites), Laos and Mongolia (2sites)

## **3**<sup>rd</sup> – **5**<sup>th</sup> **year**: (April 2010-October 2012)

# Focused Countries: Effective and consecutive surveillance

• 3<sup>rd</sup> year (2010-2011):

Vietnam (2 sites) and Mongolia(2sites)

• 4<sup>th</sup> year (2011-2012):

Vietnam (2 sites) and Mongolia (3sites)

• 5<sup>th</sup> year (2012):

Vietnam (2sites) and Mongolia (3 sites)



# Surveillance of Wild bird and domestic animals along migratory flyways (Component III)

#### (Countries / territories surveyed studied)

Countries/ Year	Vietnam	Mongolia	Lao PDR	Hong Kong
2009	Poultry (BY, LBM) Environment Wild bird	Poultry (BY, LBM) Environment Wild bird Telemetry study	Poultry (BY, LBM) Environment Wild bird	Virus isolated from National programmne and samples
2010	Poultry (BY, LBM) Environment Wild bird	Environment Wild bird Telemetry study	NT	NT
2011	Poultry (BY, LBM) Wild bird	Environment Wild bird Telemetry study	NT	NT
2012	Poultry (BY, LBM) Wild bird	Environment Wild bird Telemetry study	NT	NT
		BY: Back LBM: Live Environm	yard poultry bird market ent: Dead wild bird, Fac	es and lake water

## **Basic Methodology of Sample Collection**

Wild bird	<ul> <li>Number : 100 birds</li> <li>Sample : 2 swabs (cloacal &amp; tracheal)</li> <li>Species : Anseriformes (e.g. Northern Pintail, Bar-headed goose, Mallard, Whooper Swan) and other species of water bird</li> </ul>
Domestic bird	<ul> <li>Number : 300-400 birds</li> <li>Sample : 2 swabs (cloacal &amp; tracheal)</li> <li>Species: duck, goose, chicken</li> <li>Premise: backyard, live bird market, farm, etc (Within a 30 km radius of wild bird capturing sites)</li> </ul>
Environment	<ul> <li>Sample: dead wild birds, fresh droppings, lake water</li> <li>Number: 10-100 samples</li> </ul>



## **Al virus study**

- Target: Influenza A virus (all serotypes: H1-H16)
- Process: OIE Reference Lab. (Hokkaido Univ.) Chubu Diagnosis Center of AI :AQS
- 1. Screening testing

LAMP (Loop-mediated Isothermal Amplification)

2. Virus isolation



- 3. <u>Isolated AI viruses were analyzed</u> and establish the Data base in <u>Reference Laboratory (Hokkaido University)</u>
- 4. Others (Characterization of viruses)



### Capacity building under the OIE/JTF project for HPAI Control Projects in Asia (Component II)

- Regional training workshop on legislation and disease control strategies
   September 2009 (Combined with 2<sup>nd</sup> Information Networking Meeting)
- 2. HPAI molecular Data analysis Workshop May 2009 OIE Reference Laboratory (Hokkaido University)
- 3. Follow up Training for HPAI Diagnosis (\* Supported by programme F)
  - **November 2010** Follow up Hands on Training of DNA Sequencer in Myanmar
  - June & August 2011 Based on the request from the Mongolia, the follow-upAugust 2012training for the HPAI surveillance was organised in<br/>collaboration with Reference Laboratory



# 3. Others related to HPAI control under the JTF (Programme A and F)



# **Programme A**

- : Support for animal health services
  - Co-organization of the regional workshops for recent topics with APHCA and FAO
  - Publication of the Quarterly Reports on Aquatic Animal Diseases (QAAD)
  - Development of the OIE/NACA WAHIS Regional Core
  - Provide the information by the OIE Regional Web site etc.



## **Regional Disease Information related to HPAI**

The Interface of program for **Regional Animal Health Information** (RAHIS) was developed in 2009 at OIE Asia Pacific Web Site

The information is extracted from WAHIS includes reports of outbreaks, outbreak maps, time series analysis, distribution maps and the latest control measures in particular for HPAI and FMD



#### **Regional Animal Health Information System (RAHIS)**

✓ Development of a new computer programme for regional information (since April 2009, HPAI & FMD)

The information on this web site is using a part of data reported by Members of the Asia-Pacific Region through the WAHIS and extracted directly from WAHID.



#### New Version of OIE Regional Website for Asia and the Pacific



Food Science Building 5F The University of Tokyo

c/o Department of Livestock Development

OIF World Conference

#### Going to be launched in 2013

# **Programme F**

- : Strengthen National Laboratory
  - Training on surveillance and diagnostic techniques
     in collaborated with OIE Reference Center
  - Short term hands-on training course in collaboration with OIE Reference Centers



## Strengthen the capacity for HPAI diagnosis in the national Laboratory by Collaboration with Reference centres

- Individual Training of the Lab staff from Mongolia in collaboration with OIE Reference Lab (Hokkaido Univ.) in June 2011
- On the Job training for DNA analysis of HPAI by the expert from Reference Lab in August 2011 and August 2012



•New Programme (in place of H) are under consideration for FY 2013 by GOJ.

•The follow up activities for HPAI control (including the surveillance) in Asia might be continued in a New Programme.



Thank you for your attention!!



## Al surveillance of domestic birds in Vietnam

Under the OIE/Japan Trust Fund Project (JTF) for Strengthening HPAI Control in Asia, 2008 -2012



Kenji Sakurai, OIE Asia-Pacific Tokyo, 13-14 December 2012



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#### **Occurrences of H5N1 HPAI outbreaks in Asia**

	<b>'03</b>	<b>'04</b>	<b>'05</b>	<b>'06</b>	<b>'07</b>	<b>'08</b>	<b>'09</b>	<b>'10</b>	'11	<b>'12</b>
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Thailand		*				$\rightarrow$				
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## H5N1 HPAI status in Asia

	H5N1 status	East Asia	Southeast Asia	South Asia
1.	Persistent	PR China	Indonesia Vietnam	Bangladesh India
2.	Sporadic		Cambodia Laos Myanmar	Nepal
3.	Intermittent introduction	Japan (2011) RO Korea (2011) Mongolia (2010)		Bhutan (2012)
4.	No report since 2009		Malaysia (2008) Thailand (2008)	Pakistan (2009)
5.	Never reported	C. Taipei	Philippines Singapore Brunei	Maldives Sri Lanka

Figure in parenthesis: year of the last H5N1 case

### Critical factors for the H5N1 control in Asia

- Performance of Veterinary Services
- Poultry production and marketing systems
- Movement of poultry and poultry products
- Migratory birds
- Vaccination

# Characteristics of poultry production and marketing systems in Asia

- 1. Large duck population
- 2. Small scale/household production systems
- 3. Poultry production systems integrated with rice production systems (Free ranging ducks)
- 4. live bird (poultry) marketing systems

Poultry production and marketing systems in Asia can provide a suitable and comfortable condition for H5N1 virus to circulate in ecosystems.



## **Duck population**

- Asia is home to 90% of world duck population.
- China and Vietnam are home to 80% of duck population in Asia.
- Ducks do not always manifest clinical signs when they get infected with H5N1 virus.



Source: FAO(2010)

Unit: hundred million 8

## Small scale farms

• Poultry production in Asia relies on small scale production systems including household backyard farms.



 60-70% of total number of poultry in Asia is raised in small scale farms.



- Low bio-security
- Different species

## Small scale farms



- Duck production systems are embedded in rice production systems in Asia.
- Free ranging ducks



## Live poultry marketing systems (LBMs)

- Live bird markets (LBMs) are ubiquitous and integral part of poultry marketing systems in most of developing countries in Asia.
- LBMs are a preferred place for the locals to purchase poultry or freshly killed poultry for consumption.
- LBMs are situated close proximity to residential areas in a city, village or community.





## Main issues of live bird/poultry markets

- 1. Poultry from multiple producers (mainly small scale farms)
- 2. Different species of poultry
- 3. Selling live poultry and slaughtering/cutting process in the same area
- 4. Lack of appropriate hygiene practice (no clean and disinfection)
- 5. No sanitation systems (wastewater treatment/disposal)
- 6. People take poultry live.
- 7. Overnight poultry (leftover poultry)

## Some features of live bird/poultry markets









## Key roles of LBMs in AIV infection

Retail LBMs are a dead-end for poultry, but not a dead-end for the virus!

- 1. LBMs can maintain, amplify and disseminate AIVs and may allow the viruses to persist there for a long period of time.
- 2. LBMs can serve as a source of infection for farms, because the virus transmission from LBMs to farms may occur through movement of humans, live poultry, contaminated poultry meat and materials/equipment.
- 3. LBMs possibly help maintain infection in poultry flocks and provide a potential site for intervening to control virus transmission.

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## Areas studied in Vietnam



Time	South	North
2000		1 <sup>st</sup> (March)
2009	1 <sup>st</sup> (April)	
		2 <sup>nd</sup> (January)
2010	2 <sup>nd</sup> (March)	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> (October)	
	4 <sup>th</sup> (February)	
2011		3 <sup>rd</sup> (September)
	5 <sup>th</sup> (October)	
	6 <sup>th</sup> (February)	
2042		4 <sup>th</sup> (April)
2012		5 <sup>th</sup> (August)
	7 <sup>th</sup> (October)	

## AI virus studies and analyses

• **Target AIV:** Influenza A virus (H1-H16)

#### • Testing flow:

- 1. Real time PCR (5 birds in 1 pool)
- 2. LAMP (5 birds in 1 pool)

(Loop-mediated Isothermal Amplification)

- 3. Virus isolation
- 4. Genetic analysis (DNA Sequencing)
- 5. Serological studies

6. Others

Public Database: (1) GenBank/EMBL/DDBJ

(2) Hokkaido Univ. Influenza Database System

Vietnam

Japan

## Methodology :Sample collection

Sample scale	<ul> <li>600 head</li> </ul>
Main target species	Duck, Muscovy
Sample category	<ul> <li>2 swabs (Cloacal &amp; tracheal)</li> </ul>
Surveyed site	<ul><li>15 Backyards (20 head/premise)</li><li>15 LBMs (20 head/premise)</li></ul>
Others	<ul><li> Apparently healthy poultry</li><li>Without history of vaccine against H5N1</li></ul>

#### • Total number of poultry surveyed in the South and the North

Species	South	North
Duck	2,957 (95.4%)	2,233 (88.4%)
Chicken	137 (4.4%)	290 (11.5%)
Others	6 (0.2%)	2 (0.1%)
Total	3,100	2,525
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## Prevalence of AI virus from 4 different angles

- I. Number of LPAI and HPAI virus isolate
- II. Number of AIV isolates in backyard and LBM
- III. Subtype of AIV isolates
- IV. AIV positive rate of backyard and LBM (at a premise level)



Backyard poultry



LBM poultry 19

#### (I) LPAI and HPAI virus isolate in the South



#### (I) LPAI and HPAI virus isolate in the North

HPAI LPAI



# Summary-I

#### (I) LPAI and HPAI virus isolate

- LPAI viruses were more frequently isolated from poultry in the South than in the North.
- However, the number of HPAI virus isolate in the North was slightly larger than that in the South.

	No of bird	LPAI	HPAI	Total
South	3,100	162 (5.2%)	22 (0.7%)	184 (5.9%)
North	2,525	53 (2.1%)	26 (1.0%)	79 (3.1%)

#### (II) AI virus isolate in backyard and LBM in the South

		Backyard	LBM	
Nc	o. of bird	1,700	1,400	
No. of	LPAI	23 (1.4%)	139 (9.9%)	
isolate	HPAI	0	22 (1.6%)	



#### (II) AI virus isolate in backyard and LBM in the South



#### (II) AI virus isolate in backyard and LBM in the North

		Backyard	LBM
No. of bird		1,475	1,050
No. of isolate	LPAI	13 (0.9%)	40 (3.8%)
	HPAI	0	26 (2.5%)





#### (II) AI virus isolate in backyard and LBM in the North



## Summary-II

(II) AI virus isolate in backyard and LBM

In both the South and the North:

• More than 80 % of AIV were isolated from LBM poultry.

• HPAI viruses were exclusively isolated from LBM poultry.

# (III) Subtype of AIV isolates in the South

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7 <sup>th</sup>
No. of isolate	39	1	25	13	68	26	12
HPAI	0	0	0	H5N1 (1)	H5N1 (15)	H5N1 (4)	H5N1 (2)
	6 sub.	1 sub.	2 sub.	4 sub.	5 sub.	8 sub.	4 sub.
LPAI	H3N2 (1) H3N8 (1) H4N6 (7) H9N2 (26) H11N3 (3) H11N9 (1)	H9N6 (1)	H6N2 (24) H6N6 (1)	H6N2 (7) H11N5 (3) H11N9 (2)	H3N6 (1) H3N8 (7) H4N6 (4) H6N2 (39) H6N9 (2)	H4N6 (1) H6N2 (1) H7N1 (2) H9N2 (12) H9N8 (2) H10N7 (1) H10N8 (1) H11N3 (2)	H3N8 (4) H6N2 (3) H11N6 (1) H11N9 (2)

Note: Figure in parenthesis shows the number of isolate.

#### Subtype of AIV isolates in Backyard and LBM in the South

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Backyard	2 sub.	0	0	0	1 sub.	5 sub.	2 sub.
	H4N6 H9N2	-	-	-	H4N6	H7N1 H9N2 H9N8 H10N7 H10N8	H3N8 H11N9
LBM	5 sub.	1 sub.	2 sub.	4 sub.	6 sub.	9 sub.	4 sub.
	H3N2 H3N8 H9N2 H11N3 H11N9	H9N6	H6N2 H6N6	H5N1 H6N2 H11N5 H11N9	H3N6 H3N8 H4N6 H5N1 H6N2 H6N9	H4N6 H5N1 H6N2 H7N1 H9N2 H9N8 H10N7 H10N8 H11N3	H3N8 H5N1 H6N2 H11N6

# (III) Subtype of AIV isolates in the North

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
No. of isolate	0	0	6	45	28
HPAI	0	0	H5N1 (1)	H5N1 (10)	H5N1 (14) H5N2 (1)
	0	0	3 subtypes	6 subtypes	3 subtypes
LPAI	-	-	H3N8 (1) H4N2 (1) H6N6 (3)	H3N2 (11) H3N6 (9) H4N6 (4) H6N6 (6) H9N2 (4) H11N9 (1)	H3N8 (7) H9N2 (5) H9N8 (1)

Note: Figure in parenthesis shows the number of isolate.

#### (III) Subtype of AIV isolates in Backyard and LBM in the North

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Backyard	0	0	5 subtypes	0	1 subtype
	-	-	H3N2 H3N6 H4N6 H6N6 H11N9	-	H4N6
LBM	0	0	4 subtypes	5 subtypes	5 subtypes
<image/>	-	-	H3N8 H4N2 <mark>H5N1</mark> H6N6	H3N2 H3N6 <mark>H5N1</mark> H6N6 H9N2	H5N1 H5N2 H9N2 H3N8 H9N8

## Summary-III

(III) Number of AI virus isolate in backyard and LBM

Different subtypes of AIV were detected from LBM poultry.
H9N2 and H6N2 viruses were more frequently isolated in the South.

## (IV) AIV positive rate of backyard and LBM in the South

#### **Real time RT-PCR in Vietnam**



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# (IV) AIV positive rate of backyard and LBM in the South LAMP in Japan



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## (IV) AIV positive rate of backyard and LBM in the South Virus isolation in Japan

←LBM (AIV) ←Backyard (AIV) ←LBM (H5N1)



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## Summary-IV

(IV) AIV positive rate of backyard and LBM

• AIV positive rate of LBM was higher than that of backyard farm in every round of the surveillance.

## Overall summaries of the results

- Percentage of LBM infected with AIV was higher than that of backyard farm. Thus, LBM is more likely to be infected with AIVs than backyard farms.
- AIVs were more frequently isolated from LBM poultry than backyard poultry. Thus, LBM poultry is more likely to be infected with AIVs than backyard poultry.
- Different subtypes of AIV were isolated from LBMs than backyard farms. Thus, LBM poultry are more likely to be infected with different subtypes than backyard poultry.
- No H5N1 virus was isolated from backyard farms, while 48 HPAI viruses were isolated from LBMs in the past 2 years. Thus, LBM is more likely to be infected with HPAI virus than backyard farms.

## Observations

- LBM can act as the key amplifier of AI virus including H5N1 and maintain the virus in the environment.
- LBM can promote, *more than backyard farms*, the amplification, circulation and dissemination of AI virus in the environment.

- If we reduce the level of amplification of H5N1 virus in LBM, we can decrease the amount of the virus in the environment.
- If we can decrease the virus load in the environment, the chance of virus transmission from LBMs to farms will also be reduced.

## Conclusion

- LBMs should be the primarily target for the H5N1 control in endemically/sporadically infected countries through the combination of various measures including;
  - (1) Regulating the introduction of poultry into LBMs,
  - (2) Improving the hygiene practice (cleaning and disinfection),
  - (3) Regulating the overnight poultry practice
  - (4) Not allowing people to take poultry live, etc.
- Surveillance systems should be incorporated into these control measures to monitor and check the virus level in the environment, which enable us to confirm the progress of the H5N1 control.
- Involvement of local communities and people is of paramount importance to lead the efforts to be successful ones.
# H5N1 HPAI situation in Asia

"Tip of the iceberg"



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# Thank you for your attention.

## Al surveillance on wild bird in Mongolia from 2009 to 2012

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# H5N1 HPAI affected countries

- 63 countries has been affected by H5N1 HPAI since late 2003.
- 2005-2006: Long distance transmission from Asia to Europe to Africa to the Middle East



# Long distance transmission: Involvement of wild birds



Source: Liang et al –*PLoS ONE (Oct 22 2010)* 

# Involvement of wild birds

Case-1: spread of clade 2.2 virus in Asia

#### • In 2005:

- Over 6,000 wild birds died at Qinghai Lake in China. Afterward, number of report on dead wild birds due to H5N1 HPAI virus (clade 2.2) has increased.
- Subsequently H5N1 HPAI outbreaks in wild birds were reported more than 75 wild birds species from 38 countries in Asia, Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

#### • In 2005 and 2006:

Clade 2.2 viruses were isolated from wild birds in Mongolia.

#### • During the winter 2006/07:

Clade 2.2 viruses was detected in Korea and Japan.

#### • In 2006 and 2007:

Clade 2.2 viruses were introduced in India and Pakistan (2006), and in Bangladesh (2007).

## Involvement of wild birds

#### Case-2: spread of clade 2.3.2 virus in Asia

#### • In 2007:

> Clade 2.3.2 virus was detected in Qinghai, China.

#### • In 2008:

- Clade 2.3.2 virus was found in Japan, Korea, Laos and Russia.
- Clade 2.3.2 viruses were isolated from swans in Japan and poultry in RO Korea

#### In May 2009 and May 2010:

Dead migratory birds were found in Qinghai and Tibet, China. All the isolated H5N1 viruses classified into clade 2.3.2.

#### In July 2009 and May 2010:

Clade 2.3.2 viruses were isolated from wild birds in Mongolia.

#### • During the winter 2010/11:

Clade 2.3.2 viruses were isolated from wild birds in Japan and Korea.

#### • In 2010 and 2011:

In South Asia, clade 2.3.2 viruses were first detected in Nepal (2010), India and Bangladesh (early 2011).

# Correlation of H5N1 HPAI outbreaks between "Japan-Korea" and "China-Mongolia"

During the winter 2006/07 and 2010/11, H5N1 HPAI viruses were introduced into both Japan and Korea. At the same time, in spring 2006 and 2010, H5N1 HPAI outbreaks in migratory birds had been reported in both China and Mongolia.



Outbreaks in Poultry

Outbreaks in both Poultry and migratory birds

Outbreaks in migratory birds

## Outbreaks were reported to OIE.





A hypothesis of H5N1 outbreak in East Asia

If a H5N1 outbreak is detected in wild birds in China and Mongolia in this Spring onward, there is a possibility that the disease may be introduced in Japan or RO Korea in the next fall several months after the outbreak in China and Mongolia.

# Involvement of wild birds

- 1. Migratory birds may act as temporary reservoirs for H5N1 HPAI virus and may be responsible for primary introduction of the virus in a previously free area.
- 2. However, the role of wild birds in the spread and transmission of HPAI viruses has not been clearly understood yet.
- 3. Furthermore, it is not clear whether or not H5N1 HPAI viruses are maintained in wild bird populations for a certain period of time.
- 4. Since the first H5N1 outbreak in Indonesia in 2003, the clade 2.1 virus continues circulating only in Indonesia. This fact suggests that wild bird transmission of H5N1 viruses from Indonesia back to mainland Asia have not occurred.
- The role/involvement of wild birds in introduction/transmission of H5N1 viruses may be different from country to country and is dependent on various factors in each country/region.

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# Al surveillance in Mongolia

## 1. Al virus studies:

- Sample collections from wild birds and the environment
- Influenza A virus (H1-H16)
- More focused on the environmental sample (feces)

## 2. Telemetry studies of Migratory flyways:

• Yamashina Institute for Ornithology in Japan

# Four areas surveyed in Mongolia



## Al Surveillance in Mongolia

- Al surveillance has been conducted 8 times since July 2009.
- In the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> rounds, we focused on the environmental samples to collect in 3 regions (eastern, central and western).
- Number of bird surveyed or samples taken:

	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2009	2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2010	3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2011	4 <sup>th</sup> July 2011	5 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 2011	6 <sup>th</sup> May 2012	7 <sup>th</sup> July 2012	8 <sup>th</sup> Sep. 2012	Total
Poultry	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Wild bird	108	100	0	55	0	0	56	0	319
Env.	60	54	3,000	311	3,000	838	300	900	8,463

Note: "Env." means the environmental samples including fresh dropping, lake water.

## **Results of AI virus isolation in Mongolia**

No Al virus was isolated from all the wild birds surveyed.
In total 6 LPAI viruses were isolated from wild bird feces.

Round	Time	Total No. of Env. Smples	No. of isolate	Subtype	Bird species of feces	Area
5 <sup>th</sup>	Aug. 2011	3,000	3	H4N6 H3N5 H3N2	Ruddy shelduck Ruddy shelduck Mallard	Eastern Eastern Eastern
6 <sup>th</sup>	May 2012	838	2	H2N9 H3N8	Gadwall Gadwall	Central Central
8th	Sep 2012	900	1	TBD	Ruddy shelduck	Central

#### Taking a swab sample from whooper swan



Area surveyed in the Wes Mongolia in July 2012



## **Telemetry Study of Wild Bird Flyways**

- Objective: To track wild birds to trace their flyways
- Materials: Argos GPS solar-powered platform terminal transmitter
- Target species: Whooper swan and other Anseriformes
- Data collection & analysis: Yamashina Institute for Ornithology





Transmitter and wild birds, in Central Mongolia, July 2010 (Yamashina Team)



## Telemetry study of wild bird flyways in Mongolia

• Number of wild birds surveyed

Round	Month/Year	location	No. of transmitter	Species
1 <sup>st</sup>	July 2009	East	5	Whooper swan (5)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	July 2010	Center	15	Whooper swan (10) Other Aseriformes (5)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	July 2011	Center	12	Whooper swan (12)
4 <sup>th</sup>	July 2012	West	10	Whooper swan (9) Tundra swan (1)





# Thank you for your attention.