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Seventh Indian HPAI Outbreak of 2012 in Tripura State

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Report Highlights:

On May 7, 2012, India reported Tripura State's third highly pathogenic avian influenza outbreak to the World Organisation for Animal Health. Over 4,600 birds are considered susceptible and over 3,000 birds are reported dead. The Tripura state government is taking all possible measures to contain the disease. This is India's seventh HPAI outbreak in 2012.

General Information:

India Notifies HPAI to the OIE: On May 7, 2012, India reported Tripura State's third highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) outbreak to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE). This is India's seventh HPAI outbreak in 2012. The details of the Government of India's (GOI) May 7 notification can be accessed at: [March 7, 2012 OIE Report](#). The outbreak was reported from a poultry farm in the Udaipur area of Tripura state. The GOI reports that 4,668 birds are considered susceptible to the disease and 3,168 birds are dead as a result of the disease.

Tripura Implements HPAI Control Measures: In response to the outbreak, the Tripura State government is carrying out the GOI's protocol, as described in ["Action Plan of Animal Husbandry For Preparedness, Control and Containment of Avian Influenza."](#) Stamping out of all domestic poultry is being applied in an approximately 3-km radius zone around the outbreak followed by compensation to the owners. Other measures include creation of an intensive surveillance system in a 10-km radius zone including closure of poultry markets and prohibition on the sale and transportation of poultry products in the affected area, a ban on the movement of farm personnel, and clean-up and disinfection of the contaminated premises with proper disposal of dead birds and infected materials. The last outbreak of HPAI in Tripura was reported in March 2012 on a government-run poultry farm in the Gandhigram area of West Tripura district (see GAIN IN2043).

Trade:

Industry representatives maintain that the outbreaks occurred outside of India's major poultry production areas and will not affect trade.

Table 1. India: Culling Statistics as of May 7, 2012

	Outbreak reported in	Birds Susceptible	Birds reported dead	Birds culled
1	Rural backyard poultry, Khorda, Odisha	35,589	3	31,912
2	A state government run poultry farm, William Nagar, Meghalaya	20,194	2,732	6,538
3	Rural backyard poultry, Mayurbhanj, Odisha	11,235	19	11,216
4	ICAR poultry farm, Mohanpur, Tripura	12,385	4,229	6,204
5	A government run poultry farm, Bhubaneswar, Odisha	34,857	5,015	NA
6	A government run poultry farm. Gandhigram, West Tripura district, Tripura	3,000	2,000	NA
7	A district poultry farm, Udaipur, Gomati, Tripura	4,668	3,168	NA
	Total	1,21,928	1,71,66	55,870
Source: May 7, 2012 OIE Report				