



## Bangladesh:

### 11 April, 2012: Incentive for poultry farmers in next budget promised

There would be an incentive package for the poultry sector in the next national budget. The Daily Star reports that Finance Minister Mr Muhith spoke at an event, "Agriculture budget, budget for the farmers"..[more](#)

### 16 April, 2012: Government takes preventive steps against 'foot and mouth disease

The government has, for the first time, decided to introduce 'special zoning system' to fight 'foot and mouth disease' (FMD) in cows and help boost the country's export of beef, officials told..[more](#)

## India:

### 09 April 2012: Weekly update of testing of samples by HSADL, Bhopal (dead crow tested positive for H5N1)

A dead crow tested positive for H5N1 in Utter Pradesh of India..[more](#)

### 14 April: Mysterious poisoning kills 71 cattle; many still ill

MANGALORE: The villagers of Paduveri in Byndoor of Kundapur Taluk of Udupi District, mainly dependent on dairying and allied activities, have been in a state of shock. Almost one third of their cattle heads have died like flies in the last three days and they are still counting. As on Saturday, the toll has reached 71..[more](#)

## Pakistan:

### 04 April 2012: Unhygienic chicken meat supply on the rise

Sale of unhygienic chicken meat is on the rise in Lahore, causing different diseases among the citizens while the authorities concerned are silent over the issue despite dozens of public complaints in this respect, a survey conducted by..[more](#)

### 18 April 2012: Prevalence of influenza virus in occupational people

People working at poultry farms, poultry retailer / butcher, laboratory technician, veterinarian, health professionals are at high risk of getting infected with this disease. The survey was done in ten districts of Punjab like..[more](#)

## Sri Lanka:

### 10 April 2012: Poultry farms required to register by 30 April

All poultry farms in Sri Lanka are required to be registered by 30 April with the Department of Animal Production and Health, official sources said..[more](#)

## General Issues:

### Live attenuated H5N1 vaccine with H9N2 internal genes protects chickens from infections by both Highly Pathogenic H5N1 and H9N2 Influenza Viruses

Chickens immunized with the vaccine were protected from lethal infections with homologous and heterologous H5N1 or H9N2 influenza viruses..[more](#)

### Highly Pathogenic Influenza A (H5N1) Virus survival in complex artificial aquatic biotopes

Very little is known regarding the persistence of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) H5N1 viruses in aquatic environments in tropical countries although environmental materials have been suggested to play a role as reservoirs and sources of transmission for H5N1 viruses..[more](#)

### A distinct lineage of influenza A virus from bats

Influenza A virus reservoirs in animals have provided novel genetic elements leading to the emergence of global pandemics in humans..[more](#)