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STRENGTHENING SURVEILLANCE AND PUBLIC AWARENESS ON SUSPECTED MEASLES CASES IN EAST JAINTIA HILLS

Khliehriat April 23, 2026: The Office of the District Health Society, East Jaintia Hills District, has issued an advisory to all concerned departments to strengthen surveillance, reporting, and public awareness regarding suspected measles cases in the district.

This directive follows a communication from the National Health Mission, Meghalaya, highlighting a measles outbreak in neighbouring Bangladesh and the increased risk to border districts. In view of the situation, all departments have been urged to remain vigilant and ensure prompt action to prevent any potential spread of the disease.

All cases of fever accompanied by rash, across any age group, are to be treated as suspected measles and must be reported immediately to the nearest health facility, ANM or Medical Officer for timely intervention.

The Education Department and ICDS functionaries have been specifically instructed to ensure immediate reporting of such cases identified in schools and Anganwadi Centres. Close coordination with the Health Department and relevant agencies has also been emphasized to facilitate swift investigation and response.

As part of preventive measures, any child suspected of having measles must refrain from attending school or Anganwadi Centres until full recovery. Parents and guardians are advised to keep such children isolated at home and seek medical attention at the earliest.

The District Administration appeals to all stakeholders, including teachers, Anganwadi workers, and the general public, to cooperate actively in reporting suspected cases and spreading awareness on preventive measures to safeguard public health.

This was informed by the Deputy Commissioner cum Chairman, District Health Society, East Jaintia Hills District. (DPRO, Khliehriat)

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MEASLES ALERT



District Administration, East Jaintia Hills



In view of the reported measles outbreak in neighboring **Bangladesh** and the heightened risk in the **border districts and blocks**, the District Administration, East Jaintia Hills, has emphasized the urgent need to strengthen surveillance, early detection, reporting, and response mechanisms across all sectors.



1. REPORT IMMEDIATELY

Any case of fever with rash (suspected measles) in any age group must be reported **immediately** to:



Nearest Health Facility



ANM



Medical Officer



2. FOR SCHOOLS & ANGANWADI CENTRES

- ✓ Ensure strict adherence to preventive and control measures.
- ✓ All suspected cases identified in schools and Anganwadi Centres must be reported without delay to the appropriate health authorities.
- ✓ Institutions are required to maintain close coordination with the Health Department and WHO to facilitate timely investigation and response.



3. INFECTION PREVENTION MEASURES



Any child suspected of measles **must be strictly restricted** from attending school or Anganwadi Centres until complete recovery.



Such children should remain **isolated at home** with minimal contact.



This helps prevent further transmission of the disease.



4. AWARENESS & VIGILANCE

Teachers and Anganwadi Workers are to:

- ✓ Be sensitized to identify symptoms such as **fever with rash**.
- ✓ Ensure prompt reporting of such cases.
- ✓ Maintain daily vigilance for early identification of suspected cases.



5. PUBLIC COOPERATION NEEDED

The District Administration has urged all stakeholders and the general public to:



REMAIN ALERT
Stay vigilant and report any suspected cases.



EXTEND FULL COOPERATION
Cooperate with health authorities in all efforts.



EFFECTIVELY PREVENT AND CONTROL
Help prevent and control the spread of measles.



Stay Safe. **Act Early**. Report Immediately.

Together, we can protect our children and our community.



WHO