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## **Foreword**

This is the sixth issue of the *Asia-Pacific Quarterly Aquatic Animal Disease Report*, and covers the last quarter period October to December 1999.

During the past 2 years, since the reporting system commenced in July 1998, there has been a number of national and regional activities all aimed toward enhancing the national governments' capacity in aquatic animal disease reporting. National training workshops were undertaken in India, Bangladesh, Vietnam, China, Thailand and the Philippines; while other countries such as Cambodia, Hong Kong China, Lao PDR, and Malaysia had the opportunity of attending any one of those workshops. Some countries are now undertaking this reporting system using an improved level of surveillance. There is now a good amount of information on the status of the diseases listed in this reporting system from the participating countries which in turn provides an over-all picture of the situation at the regional level. Such information can now be used by national policy makers in planning and/or monitoring aquatic animal health programmes and in implementing local aquatic animal health activities/projects.

In this millennium, it is hoped that this reporting system will continuously be actively participated by governments using more efficient surveillance and monitoring systems and for collaborating institutions to continue providing technical and financial resources to further enhance national and regional capacities in solving aquatic animal health problems.

## **Reports Received by the NACA Secretariat**



Country: Australia

Period: October to December 1999

	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers
	October	November	December	
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>				
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	-(1996)	-(1996)	-(1996)	1
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000	
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000	
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000	
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	+	+	+	2
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	+	+	+	3
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000	
<b>Mollusc disease</b>				
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	+/0000	-(1999)/0000	-(1999)/0000	4
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000/-(1999)	0000/-(1999)	0000/-(1999)	5
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000/-(1996)	0000/-(1996)	0000/-(1996)	6
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000/-(1997)	0000/-(1997)	0000/-(1997)	7
<b>Crustacean disease</b>				
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000	
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000	
3. White spot disease	0000	0000	0000	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000	
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	***	***	***	8
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***	9
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>				
<b>Finfish diseases</b>				
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000	
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000	
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>				
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000/0000	0000/0000	0000/0000	
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>				
<i>Glugea stephani</i>	***	***	+	10
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>				

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

<sup>a</sup>Please use the following symbols:

+ Disease reported or known to be present

+? Serological evidence and/or isolation of causative agent but no clinical diseases

? Suspected by reporting officer but presence not confirmed

+() Occurrence limited to certain zones

\*\*\* No information available

0000 Never reported

- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)

(year) Year of last occurrence

### 1. Epidemiological Comments

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis (EHN) not reported during this period but known to have occurred in New South Wales (last year 1996), Victoria (last year 1996) and South Australia (1992). Targeted active surveillance and never reported in Tasmania and Western Australia. Passive surveillance in New South Wales, South Australia and Victoria. Passive surveillance and never reported in Northern Territory and Queensland. Annual occurrence of the disease in the Australian Capital Territory, but no laboratory confirmation.
2	Reported in October, November and December in Queensland, based on electron microscopy and histology. Not reported in Northern Territory during this period (targeted surveillance) but known to have occurred (last year 1994). Not reported in South Australia since an isolated outbreak in July 1998 despite passive surveillance by histology. Passive surveillance and never reported in New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory.
3	Reported from Queensland and Northern Territory in July and August and again in September from Northern Territory (histology). Not reported but known to have occurred earlier in 1997 in New South Wales and in 1998 in Western Australia (passive surveillance). Passive surveillance and never reported in South Australia, Tasmania and Victoria. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory.
4	<i>Bonamia</i> species: Reported from Tasmania and Western Australia in October. Regarded as enzootic in Western Australia. Not reported during this period but known to have occurred in Victoria (last year 1993). Passive surveillance and never reported in New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland and South Australia. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory (no marine water responsibility). <i>Bonamia ostreae</i> : Passive surveillance and never reported in New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory (no marine water responsibility).
5	<i>M. refringens</i> : Active surveillance and never reported in Tasmania. Passive surveillance and never reported in New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory (no marine water responsibility). <i>M. sydneyi</i> : Considered enzootic in Queensland, but lack of diagnostic submissions. Not reported during this period (passive surveillance) but known to have occurred earlier in 1999 in New South Wales. Not reported during this period (passive surveillance) but known to have occurred in Western Australia (last year 1994) and New South Wales (last year 1999). Active surveillance and never reported in Tasmania. Passive surveillance and never reported in Northern Territory, South Australia and Victoria. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory (no marine water responsibility).
6	<i>M. mackini</i> : Active surveillance and never reported in Tasmania. Passive surveillance and never reported in New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory (no marine water responsibility). <i>M. roughleyi</i> : Not reported during this period (passive surveillance) but known to have occurred in New South Wales (last year 1996) and Western Australia (last year 1996). Considered enzootic in Queensland but lack of diagnostic submissions. Passive surveillance and never reported in Northern Territory, South Australia and Victoria. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory (no marine water responsibility).
7	<i>P. marinus</i> : Active surveillance and never reported in Tasmania. Passive surveillance and never reported in New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia. No information available for the Australian Capital territory (no marine water responsibility). <i>P. olseni</i> : Not reported during this period (passive surveillance) but known to have occurred in South Australia (last year 1997); New South Wales and Western Australia (last year 1995). Active surveillance and never reported in Tasmania. Passive surveillance and never reported in Northern Territory, Queensland and Victoria. No information available in the Australian Capital Territory (no marine water responsibility).

8	The relationship between 'Gill Associated Virus' GAV and 'Lymphoid Organ Virus' LOV is unclear to the extent that even the existence of GAV – as a separate and distinguishable virus – is questionable. There is no specific detection test for GAV. The research detection test (a RT-PCR test) recognises LOV. LOV appears widespread in healthy farmed and wild <i>Penaeus monodon</i> in Queensland. LOV is considered part of the Mid-crop Mortality Syndrome, but its role in MCMS pathogenesis is unclear.
9	'Midcrop Mortality Syndrome' MCMS is a general term used to describe presumed virus associated mortality in pond reared prawns. Several viral agents have been associated with MCMS outbreaks including 'Spawner-isolated Mortality Virus' SMV ('Spawner Mortality Syndrome').
10	During December 1999, an outbreak of disease in juvenile farmed flounder in Tasmania was associated with florid gross and histological gut lesions resembling those described for <i>Glugea stephani</i> , a significant microsporean parasite of northern Atlantic flatfish. <i>G. stephani</i> has not so far been described from Australia, and has been regarded as exotic by the Australian Import Risk Analysis for non-viable fin-fish. The microsporean parasite from this outbreak had not been speciated. Previous reports of microsporena from the gut of Australian marine fish include <i>Glugea atheriniae</i> from atherinids (hardyheads), quoted by the above IRA. Unidentified microsporena have been seen in the gut of wild and farmed flounder since at least 1993, but infection of this magnitude has not been recorded here previously.

**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

On 19 July 1999 the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS) announced its conclusions on the risk analyses of a wide range of fish and fish products for import into Australia. The overall impact of the measures will be to strengthen Australia's fish quarantine laws.

The new policies, for dead finfish, their products and live ornamental finfish, are based on a comprehensive series of scientific studies, which are available from the AQIS homepage. New policies include the import of fish products for human consumption; fish for further manufacturing processes, such as for pet food; fish for use as bait; and live ornamental fish. The new import requirements have been implemented.

The measures are consistent with Australia's traditional, very conservative approach to quarantine. Australia continues to have the strictest fish quarantine laws in the world.

In short, AQIS policy is to:

- Allow the import of uncooked salmonid products, subject to restrictions that will ensure that products will only be available in the wider community in consumer-ready form (such as fillets) that offer negligible risk of disease establishment;
- Impose new restrictions on current imports of marine and freshwater finfish products (e.g. herring, cod, halibut, hake, bass, and sea bream). In future these fish will have to be 'head off' and eviscerated (gutted) and processed in approved plants or treated in a way that provides an equivalent level of protection. These restrictions do not apply to consumer-ready fish products that do not include salmon (e.g. fish fingers or pre-cooked fish meals);
- Impose new measures on live ornamental fish which will now require that all fish have official health certification and undergo periods of post-arrival quarantine of up to three weeks.

Full details of the new quarantine measures are available from AQIS or from the AQIS homepage: [www.aqis.gov.au](http://www.aqis.gov.au)

Country: Bangladesh

Period: July to September 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	July	August	September		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	+	+	+	1	
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+	2	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

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- \*\*\* No information available
- 0000 Never reported
- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	Disease occurred in several places.
2	Disease confined in Cox's Bazar region only.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**  
Not applicable.

Country: Bangladesh

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	+	+	+	1	
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+	2	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

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- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	Severely occurred; barb, snakehead, catfish and carp are affected
2	<i>Penaeus monodon</i> are affected. Disease confined in South-eastern coastal region of Bangladesh.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

## Country: Cambodia

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*					
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*					
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*					
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis					
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy					
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)					
7. Bacterial kidney disease					
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*					
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*					
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*					
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*					
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease					
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis					
3. White spot disease					
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis					
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)					
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')					
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*					
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*					
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*					
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

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- \*\*\* No information available
- 0000 Never reported
- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

## Country: People's Republic of China

Period: October to December1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	-	-	-		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	0000	0000	0000		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	***	***	***		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	***	***	***		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	***	***	***		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

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**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

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- ? Suspected by reporting officer but presence not confirmed
- +() Occurrence limited to certain zones
- \*\*\* No information available
- 0000 Never reported
- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

Country: Hong Kong SAR

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	***	***	***		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	***	***	***		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	***	***	***		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	***	***	***		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	***	***	***		
3. White spot disease	***	***	***		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	***	***	***		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	***	***	***		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

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**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

<sup>a</sup>Please use the following symbols:

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- +? Serological evidence and/or isolation of causative agent but no clinical diseases
- ? Suspected by reporting officer but presence not confirmed
- +() Occurrence limited to certain zones
- \*\*\* No information available
- 0000 Never reported
- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

No new aquatic animal health regulations have been introduced.

Country: India

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	+	+	+	1	
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	+	+	+	1	
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	+ ( )	+ ( )	+ ( )	2	
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	+ ( )	+ ( )	+ ( )	3	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

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**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	The epizootic haematopoietic necrosis and infectious haematopoietic necrosis were reported to occur in murels and catfishes.
2	The epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS) was mainly reported from bottom dwelling species like murels followed by catfishes and weed fishes.
3	White spot disease was reported to occur in some coastal farms on the east coast of India. The disease is observed to affect all age groups of shrimps in culture systems.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

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Country: Indonesia

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	0000	0000	0000		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	-(1998)	-(1998)	-(1998)		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+	1	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
1. Bacterial necrosis	0000	+	+		
2. Fouling disease on shrimp	0000	+			
3. MBV	+	+	+		
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

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**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	White spot disease observed histopathologically and grade 1 observation (gross sign). Disease outbreak observed throughout the country.
2	Vibriosis caused by <i>Vibrio alginolyticus</i> cause mass mortality in <i>Cromileptes altivelis</i> fry (less than 5 gram)
3	Ectoparasites on mud crabs, causing mortality on brood stock and reducing it's fecundity.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

Country: Iran

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers
	October	November	December	
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>				
<b>Finfish diseases</b>	0000	0000	0000	
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000	
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000	
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000	
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000	
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000	
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	0000	0000	0000	
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000	
8. Parasite				
<b>Mollusc disease</b>				
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	
<b>Crustacean disease</b>				
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000	
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000	
3. White spot disease	0000	0000	0000	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000	
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000	
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000	
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>				
<b>Finfish diseases</b>				
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000	
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000	
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>				
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>				
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>				

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

## Country: Japan

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	+	+	+		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	+	+	+		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	+	+	+		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	+	+	-		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	-	-	-		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	+?	+	-		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	(1992)	(1992)	(1992)		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

Country: Korea (DPR)

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	0000	0000	0000		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	0000	0000	0000		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*					
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*					
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*					
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

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**1. Epidemiological Comments**

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

## Country: Korea (RO)

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	-	-	-		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	?	?	?		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	?	?	?		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	?	?	?		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	0000	0000	0000		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	?	?	?		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	?	?	?		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	-	-	-		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

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**1. Epidemiological Comments**

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

Country: Lao PDR

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	***	***	***		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	***	***	***		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	***	***	***		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	***	***	***		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	***	***	***		
3. White spot disease	***	***	***		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	***	***	***		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	***	***	***		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

## Country: Malaysia

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	-	-	-		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	-	-	-		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+	1	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

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- 0000 Never reported
- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	A total of 5 samples were tested positive (PCR) from 256 <i>P. monodon</i> samples during the reporting period. The positive samples were from hatcheries and grow-out ponds. Affected areas were Sabah (2 cases) and one each in Johor, Penang and Selangor. Mortalities vary from low to high. Disinfection and break-cycle were implemented in infected hatcheries and farms. Uninfected hatcheries and farms are advised to screen brood stock and fry and practised closed system and used treated water.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

- NIL -

## Country: Myanmar

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	***	***	***		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	***	***	***		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	***	***	***		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	***	***	***		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	***	***	***		
3. White spot disease	***	***	***		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	***	***	***		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	***	***	***		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
Parasitic cysts of black and round were observed in gill region of <i>Pangasius sutchi</i>		***	-		
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					
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- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

None.

Country: Nepal

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	***	***	***		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	***	***	***		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	+	***	+	1	
7. Bacterial kidney disease	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	***	***	***		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	***	***	***		
3. White spot disease	***	***	***		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	***	***	***		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	***	***	***		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

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- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	EUS disease was reported in the local fish species such as <i>Puntius</i> sp., <i>Murrel</i> sp. and local eel ( <i>J. bangalensis</i> ) in the range of about 15% in the natural water bodies such as swamps and in severe infection was reported in the range of about 20% in most of the cultured fish species of Indian major carps comprising <i>Labeo rohita</i> , <i>C. mrigala</i> and <i>Catla catla</i> and similar infection was also reported in the Chinese carps such as silver carp, bighead and grass carp in most of the districts of tarai including Jhapa, Morang, Sunsari, Saptari, Siraha, Dhanusha, Mahottary, Sarlahi, Rautahat, Bara, Parsa, Chitawan, Nawalparasi, Rupandehi, Kapilbastu, Dang, and Banke Districts in Nepal. The total loss is estimated to about NRs 222-240 million (US\$ 2.2-2.4 million). As a result of this disease fish farmers are forced to harvest the fish at the early stage of harvesting size which is below 500 gm before the outbreak of the disease which occur mostly in this month every year since 1989/1990.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date)**

No new aquatic animal health regulation was introduced in this period. A twenty year Fisheries Master Plan under Agricultural Prospective Plan for Nepal is under consideration, in which adequate aquatic animal health management regulations and fish quarantine act is envisaged and expected to be implemented from the end of Ninth Five Year Plan Period (1997 to 2002).

Country: Pakistan

Period: July to September 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	July	August	September		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	****	****	****		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	****	****	****		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	0000	0000	0000		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	?	?	?		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	0000	0000	?/98		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

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**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

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- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

Country: Pakistan

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	****	****	****		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	****	****	****		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000	1	
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	****	****	****		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000	1	
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	-	-	-	2	
7. Bacterial kidney disease	?	?	?		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	1	
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	1	
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	1	
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	1	
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000	1	
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	?	?	?		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	****	****	****	1	
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	-	-	-		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	****	****	****	1	
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	****	****	****		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					
	0000	0000	0000		

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**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	Lack of laboratory and shortage of well trained technical know-how and professionally skilled manpower.
2	The disease has been reported from restricted area of Sindh, however, has not been confirmed.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

## Country: Philippines

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	***	***	***		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000	1	
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	-	-	-	3	
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	-	-	-		
3. White spot disease	-	-	-	4	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***	5	
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	***	***	***		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

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 (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	Passive surveillance and no reported case (clinical manifestation) of the disease during the reporting period. The disease is suspected but not yet confirmed to be present in the country.
2	Approximately 30% of the one hundred pieces (50-100 grams) of apparently healthy (naïve) snakehead, <i>Ophicephalus striatus</i> taken from Oton, Guimaras and Dumangas, Iloilo (Visayas) showed gross signs of EUS infection 24-48 hours after they were transported at the BFAR Fish Health Laboratory in Manila for challenge experiment. Histopathological (H & E and Grocott's stained tissue sections) examination of the affected fish showed fungal granuloma and fungal hypha, thereby confirming EUS infection.  This is the first reported case of EUS in the area.
3	No reported case (passive) of the disease in the <i>P. monodon</i> hatchery and grow-out ponds.  The disease was last reported in Penaeus monodon post larvae samples from hatcheries in Tagkawayan and Calauag, Quezon (Luzon), examined using Combined SDS Western Blot Enzyme Immunoassays at the University of the Philippines – Los Banos (UPLB) Biotechnology.
4	No reported case (passive) of the disease in the <i>P. monodon</i> hatchery and grow-out ponds.  The disease was last reported in <i>P. monodon</i> post larvae samples from hatcheries in Tagkawayan and Calauag, Quezon (Luzon) examined using PCR technique at the UPLB-Biotechnology.
5	Information available was in 1998, when samples of <i>P. monodon</i> from selected grow-out farms were sent to Australia in October 1998 (Dr. Leigh Owens of James Cook University). Examination of the samples by in-situ hybridisation using Spawner Mortality Virus (SMV) probe produced positive results.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date)**

## Country: Singapore

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	-	-	-	1	
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	0000	0000	0000		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	2	
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	2	
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	2	
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	2	
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	-	-	-		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000	2	
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					
	nil	nil	nil		

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- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	Viral Encephalopathy and Retinopathy – last major outbreak reported in Nov/Dec 1997 in seabass fry; 2 isolated cases confirmed by PCR in a batch of seabass fry and a batch of golden trevally fry in April 99.
2	No oyster farming in Singapore.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

None

Country: Sri Lanka

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	0000	0000	0000		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	0000	0000	0000		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	?	+	+	1	
7. Bacterial kidney disease	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	?	?	?	2	
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+	3	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	0000	0000	0000		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	0000	0000	0000		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	0000	0000	0000		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	0000	0000	0000		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

<sup>a</sup>Please use the following symbols:

- + Disease reported or known to be present
- +? Serological evidence and/or isolation of causative agent but no clinical diseases
- ? Suspected by reporting officer but presence not confirmed
- +() Occurrence limited to certain zones
- \*\*\* No information available
- 0000 Never reported
- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	The typical lesions of EUS was observed in North Western part of the country in Nov and Dec 1999. Affected fishes were <i>Ophiocephalus</i> and <i>Clarias</i> spp. No significant mortalities were reported.
2	Clear visual signs not reported.
3	<i>P. monodon</i> samples from the farms and hatcheries in North Western Province tested with PCR amplification for white spot disease showed positive results.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

## Country: Thailand

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	***	***	***		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	-	-	-		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	-	+	-	1	
7. Bacterial kidney disease	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	?	?	?		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	-	-	-		
3. White spot disease	+	+	+	2	
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	***	***	***		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	***	***	***		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

**Molluscs:** Iridovirosis (Oyster velar disease)

**Crustaceans:** Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*); Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*); Taura syndrome; Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

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- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
1	EUS first occurred in southern part of Thailand in 1981. Since then the outbreak re-occurs almost every year and has spread throughout the country. For 1999, EUS outbreak started in November when the water temperature dropped less than 25 °C in the Central and South and less than 20 °C in the North and Northeast. EUS affected both wild and culture fishes especially snakehead fish ( <i>Channa striata</i> ), giant gourami ( <i>Osteogaster goramy</i> ), snakeskin gourami ( <i>Trichogaster pectoralis</i> ), climbing perch ( <i>Anabas testudineus</i> ), and common archer fish ( <i>Toxotes chatareus</i> ). The EUS affected fish from 7 farms were sent for diagnosis. About 40% of stocking fish were affected and death toll were between 10-30%.
2	A total of 3,693 tiger prawn samples cultured in 18 Provinces had been sent to 10 PCR Laboratories of the Department of Fisheries. 180 samples were recorded as PCR positive or carrying SEMBV genome.
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

Country: Vietnam

Period: October to December 1999

Item	Disease status <sup>a</sup>			Comment Numbers	
	October	November	December		
<b>Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
2. Infectious haematopoietic necrosis*	***	***	***		
3. <i>Oncorhynchus masou</i> virus disease*	***	***	***		
4. Infectious pancreatic necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy	***	***	***		
6. Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)	***	***	***		
7. Bacterial kidney disease	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc disease</b>					
1. Bonamiosis ( <i>Bonamia</i> sp., <i>B. ostreae</i> )*	***	***	***		
2. Marteiliosis ( <i>Marteilia refringens</i> , <i>M. sydneyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
3. Microcytosis ( <i>Mikrocytos mackini</i> , <i>M. roughleyi</i> )*	***	***	***		
4. Perkinsosis ( <i>Perkinsus marinus</i> , <i>P. olseni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Crustacean disease</b>					
1. Yellowhead disease	***	***	***		
2. Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis	***	***	***		
3. White spot disease	-	-	-		
4. Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis	***	***	***		
5. Gill associated virus (GAV)	***	***	***		
6. Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')	***	***	***		
<b>Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to the OIE</b>					
<b>Finfish diseases</b>					
1. Spring viraemia of carp*	***	***	***		
2. Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia*	***	***	***		
<b>Mollusc diseases</b>					
1. Haplosporidiosis ( <i>Haplosporidium costale</i> , <i>H. nelsoni</i> )*	***	***	***		
<b>Any other diseases of importance<sup>b</sup></b>					
Red spot disease in grass carp	-	-	-		
<b>Unknown diseases of serious nature</b>					

<sup>b</sup>In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:

**Finfish:** Channel catfish virus disease; Infectious salmon anaemia; Piscirickettsiosis; Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*); Enteric septicaemia of catfish

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- Not reported (but disease is known to occur)
- (year) Year of last occurrence

**1. Epidemiological Comments**

Comment No.	Epidemiological comment
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**2. New aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months (with effective date):**

No.

## Related Events and Publications

**Diagnostic Procedures for Finfish Diseases** (by Kamonporn Tonguthai, Supranee Chinabut, Temdoung Somsiri, Pornlerd Chanratchakool, Somkiat Kanchanakan)

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**CD-ROM on Diagnosis of Shrimp Diseases** (by V. Alday de Graindorge and T.W. Flegel)  
This CD-Rom provides detailed information on the diagnosis of shrimp disease, with emphasis on *Peneaus monodon*.

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### Epizootic Ulcerative Syndrome (EUS) Handbooks

Two new EUS handbooks are available free of charge: (1) *Pathology and Histopathology of EUS* by S. Chinabut and R.J. Roberts; and (2) *EUS Technical Handbook* by J.H. Lilley, R.B. Callinan, S. Chinabut, S. Kanchanakan, I.H. MacRae and M.J. Phillips.

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**Health Management in Shrimp Ponds.** Third Edition (by P. Chanratchakool, JF Turnbull, SJ Funge-Smith, IH MacRae and C Limsuwan).

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### ADB/NACA - Report on a Regional Study and Workshop: Aquaculture Sustainability and the Environment

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## **List of Diseases in the Asia-Pacific Quarterly Aquatic Animal Disease Reports**

### **Diseases prevalent in some parts of the region**

- Finfish Diseases:      Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis\*  
                            Infectious haematopoietic necrosis\*  
                            Oncorhynchus masou virus disease\*  
                            Infectious pancreatic necrosis\*  
                            Viral encephalopathy and retinopathy\*  
                            Epizootic ulcerative syndrome (EUS)  
                            Bacterial kidney disease
- Mollusc Diseases:      Bonamiosis (*Bonamia* sp., *B. ostreae*)\*  
                            Marteiliosis (*Marteilia refringens*, *M. sydneyi*)\*  
                            Microcytosis (*Mikrocytos mackini*, *M. roughleyi*)\*  
                            Perkinsosis (*Perkinsus marinus*, *P. olseni*)\*
- Crustacean Disease:    Yellowhead disease  
                            Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis (IHHN)  
                            White spot disease  
                            Baculoviral midgut gland necrosis  
                            Gill associated virus (GAV)  
                            Spawner mortality syndrome ('Midcrop mortality syndrome')

### **Diseases presumed exotic to the region, but reportable to OIE**

- Finfish Diseases:      Spring viremia of carp\*  
                            Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia\*
- Mollusc Diseases:      Haplosporidiosis (*Haplosporidium costale*, *H. nelsoni*)\*

### **Any other diseases of importance: In particular, these include the following diseases so far presumed, but not proven, to be exotic to this region:**

- Finfish Diseases:      Channel catfish virus disease  
                            Infectious salmon anaemia  
                            Piscirickettsiosis  
                            Gyrodactylosis (*Gyrodactylus salaris*)  
                            Enteric septicaemia of catfish
- Mollusc Diseases:      Iridovirus (Oyster velar disease)
- Crustacean Diseases:   Nuclear polyhedrosis baculovirosis (*Baculovirus penaei*)  
                            Crayfish plague (*Aphanomyces astaci*)  
                            Taura syndrome  
                            Necrotising hepatopancreatitis

\* OIE notifiable diseases

**Instructions on how to fill in the  
QUARTERLY AQUATIC ANIMAL DISEASE REPORT**  
(Revised during the Second Workshop )

Symbols used in the report are similar to those used by FAO, OIE and WHO for the *Animal Health Yearbook*. Please read these instructions carefully before you fill in the forms.

Under the heading "Month" please enter months of a quarter in question, e.g. July, August, September.

In "Comment Numbers" on page 1, please enter serial numbers, and write your corresponding comments on page 2. See Section C below.

If an unknown disease of serious nature appears, please fill in the last line of the form and add epidemiological comments on page 2.

Please do not fail to enter "\*\*\*\*" or "-" as appropriate against each disease, which is essential to incorporate your information on the *Quarterly Aquatic Animal Disease Report (Asia and Pacific Region.)*

If you have new aquatic animal health regulations introduced within the past six months, please describe them under Section 2 on page 2.

Please use the following symbols to fill in the forms.

**A. Symbols used for negative occurrence are as follows:**

- \*\*\* This symbol means that no information on a disease in question is available due to reasons such as lack of surveillance systems or expertise.
- This symbol is used when a disease is not reported during a reporting period. However the disease is known to be present in the country (date of last outbreak is not always known).
- 0000 This symbol is used when disease surveillance is in place and a disease has never been reported.
- (year) Year of last occurrence (a disease has been absent since then).

**B. Symbols used for positive occurrence are shown below.**

- + This symbol means that the occurrence of a disease in question is sporadic but it is known to be present. However the occurrence is relatively rare.
- +? This symbol is used when the presence of a disease is suspected but there is no recognised occurrence of clinical signs of the disease in the country. Serological evidence and isolation of the causal agent may indicate the presence of the disease, but no confirmed report is available. **It is important that the species of animals to which it applies is indicated in the "Comments" on page 2 of the form if you use this symbol.**
- +() These symbols mean that a disease is present in a very limited zone or zones as exceptional cases. It may also include the occurrence of a disease in a quarantine area.
- ? This symbol is used only when a disease is suspected by the reporting officer, but the presence of the disease has not been confirmed.

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<sup>1</sup>Refers to the Second Training Workshop of the FAO/NACA/OIE Regional Programme for the Development of Technical Guidelines on Quarantine and Health Certification and Establishment of Information Systems for the Responsible Movement of Live Aquatic Animals in Asia, 1-5 February 1999, Bangkok, Thailand.

**C. Subjects to be covered in the Epidemiological Comments**

1. Origin of the disease or pathogen (history of the disease);
2. Mortality rate (high/low or decreasing/increasing);
3. size of infected areas or names of infected areas;
4. Death toll (economic loss, etc.);
5. Preventive/control measures taken;
6. Disease characteristics (unusual clinical signs or lesions);
7. Pathogen (isolated/sero-typed);
8. Unknown diseases (describe details as much as possible);
9. Samples sent to national or international laboratories for confirmation (indicate the names of laboratories); and
10. Published paper (articles in journals)/web site, etc.

**IMPORTANT**

Please send the **original report** or the best photocopy thereof to the OIE and/or NACA **by fax** and **registered airmail**. Faxed reports are needed to check whether or not the reports are all right. The deadline for submission of the reports is **one and a half months (45 days)** after the end of the quarterly period.

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