

2nd Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR) Webinar for Asia and the Pacific

25 February 2026 (15:00 – 17.30 JST)

Background

Peste des petits ruminants (PPR) is a highly infectious transboundary animal disease (TAD) that has been endemic in South Asia for many years but has not been reported in several countries in the South-East Asia, East Asia and Pacific sub-regions. The recent incursion of PPR into Vietnam has raised concerns about the potential for cross-border spread to neighbouring countries, underscoring the importance of strengthening early preparedness and coordinated response mechanisms across the Asia-Pacific region.

It is in this context that the WOAHA Regional Representation for Asia and the Pacific (RRAP) and Sub-Regional Representation for South-East Asia (SRR-SEA) organised a PPR Webinar for countries in Asia and the Pacific on 16 January 2026. The webinar focused primarily on PPR preparedness and emergency response and was organised in response to Members requests and urgent need for information on the global and regional PPR situation. It also aimed to facilitate access to relevant materials and tools to support Members in preventing the incursion and further spread of PPR to other countries and territories.

Objectives

Building from the momentum created by the first webinar, which was attended by approximately 130 policymakers and field officers representing Members in the Asia Pacific region as well as WOAHA, a follow-up webinar will focus on PPR control measures with the following objectives:

- Provide members with knowledge on PPR vaccines and emergency control measures, and the importance of post-vaccination monitoring
- Assessment of Members' laboratory diagnostic capacity for PPR

Target Participants

This meeting aims to bring together leading experts, policymakers, and partners from the Asia Pacific Region composed of the following:

Participants

- WOAHA Members in Asia and the Pacific
- Subject matter experts (SME) from WOAHA PPR Reference Laboratories including Centre de coopération internationale en recherche agronomique pour le développement (CIRAD), Montpellier, France, China Animal Health and Epidemiology Centre (CAHEC), Indian Council of Agricultural Research-National Institute of Veterinary Epidemiology and Disease Informatics (ICAR-NIVEDI) and the Hungarian National Disease Control Center
- Representatives of Regional economic communities (RECs): Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN), South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC), Pacific Community (SPC)
- Food and Agriculture Organisation of United Nations Regional Office for Asia and Pacific (FAO RAP) and FAO PPR Secretariat

Organisers

- WOAHP Regional Representation for Asia and the Pacific (WOAH RRAP)
- WOAHP Sub-Regional Representation for South-East Asia (WOAH SRR SEA)
- WOAHP PPR Secretariat

Resource Persons

- PPR vaccines and emergency control measures
 - Independent expert on PPR
- Post-vaccination monitoring
 - Centre de coopération internationale en recherche agronomique pour le développement (CIRAD)
- Sharing of experience in controlling outbreaks and eradication of PPR
 - Hungarian National Disease Control Center
- Interventions from Partners and WOAHP PPR Reference Laboratories
 - Food and Agriculture Organisation of United Nations Regional Office for Asia and Pacific (FAO RAP)
 - Indian Council of Agricultural Research – National Institute of Veterinary Epidemiology and Disease Informatics (ICAR – NIVEDI)
 - China Animal Health and Epidemiology Center (CAHEC)
 - CIRAD

Date and meeting format

- 25 February 2026, 15:00 – 17.30 JST (2.5 hours, Virtual Meeting)

Registration for the webinar

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Provisional Agenda

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Time	Topic	Resource Person
I. Opening and Context		
15:00 – 15:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome remarks Context and objective of the meeting 	Dr Tomoko Ishibashi, Regional Representative (WOAH RRAP)
II. Technical Session on PPR Control Measures		
15:10 – 15:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PPR Vaccines and Emergency Control Measures 	Dr Adama Diallo PPR Expert
15:30 – 15:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post-vaccination Monitoring 	Dr Marion Bordier PPR Expert - CIRAD
15:50 – 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Controlling an outbreak of PPR - Implications on PPR-free status 	Dr Sara Lysholm WOAH
16:00 – 16:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sharing of member experience on controlling and eradicating PPR 	Dr Georgina Helyes Hungarian National Disease Control Center
III. Technical session on PPR Preparedness including Laboratory Diagnostic Capacity		
16:20 – 16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on PPR Diagnostic Work of ICAR-NIVEDI 	Dr V Balamurugan, PPR Expert, ICAR-NIVEDI
16:30 – 16:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highlights of PPR Preparedness by PPR-free Members Mentimeter Session 	Dr Karma Rinzin, WOA SRR-SEA
IV. Plenary Discussion on PPR Prevention and Control		
16:55 – 17:15	<p><i>Interventions to enhance PPR control</i></p> <p><i>Interventions to enhance PPR Laboratory Diagnostic Capacity</i></p> <p><i>Interventions from Partners and Members</i></p>	Facilitator: WOA Experts from CAHEC, ICAR- NIVEDI, CIRAD FAO and WOA
V. Way Forward and Closing		
17:15 – 17:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommendations and next steps Closing 	Dr Naree Ketusing, Sub- Regional Representative for South-East Asia



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Moderator: Dr Sam Castro, Regional TADs Coordinator, WOAHRAP