Bird flu

‘Bird flu 100 times worst than Covid, could kill up to half of everyone it infects’: Wider spread raises concern for humans, animal (The Tribune: 20240405)


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Health officials and scientists say the risk to humans remains low, but many questions remain.

As scientists investigate thousands of dead Antarctic penguins, Texas officials reported on Monday that a farm worker tested positive for H5N1, or bird flu, that has spread to dairy cows in Texas, Kansas, New Mexico, Michigan and Idaho - the first time the virus has infected cattle.

Experts have raised alarm over the potential threat of a bird flu pandemic, warning that it could be "100 times worse than Covid" and could "kill up to half of everyone it infected", according to a report by UK-based tabloid Daily Mail.

The concerns were raised during a recent briefing where researchers discussed on the H5N1 strain of bird flu. They expressed apprehension that the virus may be approaching a critical threshold that could spark a global pandemic, says the report.

During the briefing, Dr Suresh Kuchipudi, a prominent bird flu researcher in Pittsburgh, warned that H5N1 has the potential to cause a pandemic, given its ability to infect a range of mammalian
hosts, including humans, stating, “We are getting dangerously close to this virus potentially causing a pandemic.”

Is bird flu a concern?

The Texas case is only the second time bird flu has been confirmed in a human in the United States, with the first occurring in 2022 in Colorado in a person exposed to infected poultry. In both cases, the infections were mild.

The Texas farm worker's only symptom was conjunctivitis, or pink eye. He is being treated with Tamiflu, which is used to treat human influenza.

The infections are from the same subtype of bird flu that has been infecting wild birds and poultry flocks globally for more than two years, also killing several mammal species that likely contracted the virus from consuming sick or dead birds.

What are the risks of bird flu?

Some outbreaks of avian influenza have caused serious or fatal infections among people who have close contact with wild birds or poultry. Currently, H5N1 is not capable of spreading easily among humans, but scientists have been on alert for changes that could facilitate human spread and spark a pandemic.

Dr Thomas Inglesby, director of the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, said the Texas case "doesn't change the overall risk of a major pandemic," but stressed that any new case should be investigated to ensure it is not spreading from person to person.

An official with the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) said for most people who are not exposed to infected animals, the risk is very low.

Does bird flu affect the food supply?

The risk of contaminated milk reaching consumers is of "no concern" according to the US Department of Agriculture because pasteurisation kills viruses and milk from sick cows is not being sold.

The CDC renewed its warning that people should not consume raw milk or cheese, which can contain a number of pathogens.

Is there a bird flu vaccine for humans?

The US has a stockpile of bird flu vaccines matched with the strain currently circulating, as well as antivirals that could be used to treat human infections, Inglesby said. If there were a major epidemic or a pandemic, the U.S. would have to scale up "in a huge way," he said.

How were the cows infected with H5N1?

Richard Webby, a virologist at St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, said it is still not clear how the cows became infected, how many have been infected or how the
virus has spread to other herds, but said there's "reasonable evidence that there has been some cow-to-cow spread."

**Poor health**

*Young adults who work atypical hours could see poor health by the time they turn 50: Study (The Tribune: 20240405)*


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Young adults following atypical work routines outside the everyday nine-to-five could negatively impact their physical and mental health in mid-life, new research has found.

Analysing data on more than 7,000 people in the US collected over 30 years, researchers observed disrupted sleep patterns in people whose careers involved more volatile work schedules.

These people were more likely to report depressive symptoms at the age of 50, compared to individuals who worked during the traditional daytime hours over their entire career, according to Wen-Jui Han from New York University, US, and the author of the study published in the journal PLoS One.

The author explained that volatile work schedules are associated with poor sleep, physical fatigue, and emotional exhaustion, that can make people vulnerable to unhealthy lives.

Han’s study found the most striking results in those working stable hours in their 20s and then transitioning to more volatile routines in their 30s.

"Work that is supposed to bring resources to help us sustain a decent life has now become a vulnerability to a healthy life due to the increasing precarity in our work arrangements in this increasingly unequal society," said Han.
The study also took into account race- and gender-related trends. For example, socially vulnerable Black Americans were more likely to have volatile work schedules associated with poorer health, highlighting that some groups may disproportionately shoulder the adverse consequences of such employment patterns, according to Han.

People with vulnerable social positions such as women, Blacks and those with low levels of education disproportionately shoulder these health consequences, said Han.

The findings also suggested that the effects of one's work schedules, both positive and negative, can accumulate over one's lifetime, thereby highlighting how employment patterns can contribute to health inequities, the author pointed out.

Abortion (The Asian Age: 20240405)
**Cancer**

**Median age for cancer diagnosis lower in India, says study (The Tribune:20240405)**

https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/median-age-for-cancer-diagnosis-lower-in-india-says-study/article68028482.ece

The report on Non-Communicable Diseases by Apollo Hospitals also found that one in three people screened had pre-diabetes, one person in four had diabetes, one in 10 had uncontrolled diabetes.

The hospital found that colon cancer cases were increasing among younger people.

The median age for cancer diagnosis in India is lower when compared to the U.S., U.K., and China, said a report released by Apollo Hospitals. According to the hospital’s data, the average age of diagnosis of breast cancer in India is 52 against 63 in the U.S. and UK, while for lung cancer it is 59 years as opposed to around 70 in the West.

The fourth edition of Apollo Hospitals’s “Health of the Nation” report, which looks at trends in Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) based on the hospital’s data, has highlighted the huge burden of cancers among the country’s younger population and risk posed by low cancer screening rates.

**Polio vaccine**

**Sanofi gets approval for alternative inactivated polio vaccine (The Hindu: 20240405)**

There is no shortage of polio vaccine from its side, company says

https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/sanofi-gets-approval-for-alternative-inactivated-polio-vaccine/article68029472.ece
After the French drugmaker Sanofi India Limited recently discontinued ShanIPV, its inactivated polio vaccine (IPV), in India, the company has confirmed that it will ensure there is no interruption in the availability of its IPV vaccine.

“We have already obtained the approvals for our product, IMOVAX-Polio, an alternative IPV that has been in use in more than 100 countries for 40-plus years. It also has the same composition/formulation as ShanIPV,” the company’s spokesperson said, following widespread concern that a pull out could lead to shortage of the vaccine in India.

NPPA

NPPA revises ceiling prices of over 800 scheduled drug formulations from April 1 (The Hindu: 20240405)

https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/nppa-revises-ceiling-prices-of-over-800-scheduled-drug-formulations-from-april-1/article68016011.ece

Currently India has approximately 400 molecules and 960 formulations covered under the National List of Essential Medicines

Cost of antibiotics and painkillers have registered a marginal hike in cost starting April 1 with the drug price regulator National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority’s (NPPA) latest notification allowing price hike for select medicines by 0.00551%.

While the marginal hike has come as a relief for consumers pharmaceutical companies claim that they are grappling with rising cost of raw material and tightening price control mechanisms. The Department of Pharmaceuticals has now issued its annual list of revised ceiling prices for 923 scheduled drug formulations and revised retail prices of 65 formulations with the ceiling rates coming into effect from April 1. This revision is part of routine exercise undertaken by the NPPA.

COVID-19

COVID-19 second-leading cause of death globally in 2021; slashed life expectancy: Lancet study

“India lost 1.9 years of life expectancy due to COVID-19, resulting in a net gain of 7.9 years of life expectancy between 1990 and 2021,” the study showed. (The Hindu: 20240405)
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COVID-19 (coronavirus) replaced stroke to become the second-leading cause of death globally in 2021, causing 94 deaths per one lakh population and slashing life expectancy by 1.6 years, an international research published in The Lancet journal has found.

“Disrupting more than three decades of consistent improvements in life expectancy and deaths, COVID-19 reversed this long-standing progress to emerge as “one of the most defining global health events of recent history,” researchers said.

**Gut bacteria**

**Gut bacteria and the immune system: How aging changes the microbiome and can lead to ‘inflamming’** (Indian Express: 20240405)


There is a common saying that claims “you are what you eat.” Indeed, nutrition and diet play an important role in regulating the number of different microorganisms that live in the gut. This means that diet may also play a key role in the immune function of older adults.

gut, gut healthThe gut microbiome also helps us to regulate our inflammatory reactions. (Photo: Getty Images)

The human immune system changes with age. Immune responses start to become less robust as people get older, which makes them more vulnerable to certain infections and diseases. However, immune system aging looks different from person to person. Research has shown that changes to the composition and diversity of the microorganisms in the gut may explain these differences in immune system aging.
The gut microbiome — the population of microorganisms that lives in the gastrointestinal tract — helps the body maintain a stable internal environment when it is faced with external changes. This is known as homeostasis. The gut microbiome supports homeostasis in different ways, such as through helping to keep the immune system alert, and digesting dietary fibre into short-chain fatty acids to strengthen the intestinal wall.

Active workstations

Active workstations may boost cognitive performance, overall health: Study (New Kerala:20240405)


citive workstations containing a walking pad, bike, stepper or standing desk are successful strategies for lowering sedentary time and improving mental cognition at work without reducing job performance, a new study suggested on Thursday.

According to the Mayo Clinic study published in the journal of the American Heart Association, extended sedentary behaviour, whether at work or home, increases a person's risk of preventable chronic diseases.

"Active workstations may offer a way to potentially improve cognitive performance and overall health, simply by moving at work," said Francisco Lopez-Jimenez, MD, a preventive cardiologist at Mayo Clinic and senior author of the study.

The study involved 44 participants in a randomised clinical trial where four office settings were assessed over four consecutive days.

Researchers analysed participants' neurocognitive function based on 11 assessments that evaluated reasoning, short-term memory and concentration.

Fine motor skills were evaluated through an online typing speed test, and other tests.

"Being sedentary is the new smoking when it comes to your cardiovascular health, and office workers may spend a large part of their eight-hour workday sitting at a computer screen and keyboard," said Lopez-Jimenez.

As per the study, when participants used the active workstations, their brain function either improved or stayed the same, and their typing speed slowed down only a bit.

However, the accuracy of their typing was not affected.
"These findings indicate that there are more ways to do that work while remaining productive and mentally sharp," said the researcher.

The study revealed improved reasoning scores when standing, stepping and walking as compared to sitting.

**Ayushman Bharat Health Accounts**

**How Ayushman Bharat Health Accounts are helping millions get quality healthcare (New Kerala:20240405)**


The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on Thursday shared an explainer on how Ayushman Bharat Health Accounts (ABHA) are facilitating cashless transactions and managing financial aspects related to healthcare services under the ‘Ayushman Bharat’ scheme.

ABHA, a key component of the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), is an account/number used to link all the health records of a person.

According to the health ministry, ABHA reduces out-of-pocket expenses for beneficiaries and improves access to quality healthcare.

By enabling cashless transactions and electronic health records, ABHA minimises administrative hassles and delays, allowing healthcare providers to focus on patient care.

In addition, ABHA generates valuable data insights that can be used for evidence-based decision-making and policy formulation, which helps in addressing healthcare challenges effectively and improving the overall quality of care.

"ABHA intends to create a digital health ecosystem and aims to promote digitisation of healthcare. Any individual can enroll in Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) to generate a Health ID or ABHA, free of cost," the health ministry noted.

With the ABHA mobile application, individuals can effortlessly access and share their health records digitally. It allows patients to seamlessly receive digital lab reports, prescriptions, and diagnoses from various healthcare providers, including doctors, labs, hospitals, and wellness centres.

The ministry also addressed some of the myths that people may encounter with ABHA.
Answering one of such myths, 'Is it possible for the government or any other entity to do surveillance of the health status', the ministry stated: “No. The health records are created and stored at the place of their creation by respective healthcare providers (which is the case even now).”

"The government will not have access to such data. No additional means of accessing such data is being created or envisaged in the current ecosystem.”

Responding to another myth, the health ministry said that only individuals can share their own records with other doctors or hospitals using different digital health systems after giving their consent.

Through technology and data-driven approaches, ABHA aims to improve access to quality healthcare and relieve financial burdens on vulnerable sections of society.

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**Side Effects of Skipping Breakfast**

Side Effects of Skipping Breakfast: सुबह के समय का नाश्ता स्किप करने से शारीर में पोषक तत्त्वों की कमी के साथ आपको सेहत से हानि होने का खतरा है। आइए जानतेहैं (Hindustan :20240405)

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Side Effects of Skipping Breakfast: सुबह किए जानेवाले नाश्ते का महत्व ज्यादातर लोगों को पता होता है। बावजूद इसके ऑफिस और कॉलेज पहुंचने की
जल्दी या फिर बढ़ती गति के साथ सुबह का नाश्ता स्किप कर देते हैं। लंबे कारण तक बनी रहनेवाली इस आदत की वजह से यह मेंपोषक तत्वों की कमी होनेवाली है। जिसके वजह से एक सात मोटे मेंभी आनेलगता है। कई शोध और अध्ययन भी इस बात की पुष्टि करतेहीं सुबह का नाश्ता स्किप करना शरीर को बढा रहने वाली इस आदत के लंबे में सेव्यस्के शरीर में पोषकता की कमी होने लगती है। बजसकी वजह से यह शरीर के शरीर में जल्द ही रोगों की चपेट में आनेलगता है। कई शोध और अध्ययन भी इस नाश्ता की बदनभर में एनजी बनाए रखने के साथ शरीर को जरूरी बरहाकर बनाए रखता है। सुबह का नाश्ता छोड़ना शरीर को मो आपा, हा डर्जीज, डायबीटिज और स्ट्रेस जैसी सेहत समस्याएं परेशान करनेलगती हैं। यही वजह है कि डॉक्टर भी सुबह उठने के बाद नाश्ता कर लेने की सलाह देते हैं।

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सुबह का नाश्ता न करनेवाले की इम्यूनिटी कमजोर हो सकती है। इम्यूनिटी कमजोर होने पर आपका शरीर कई तरह के इंफेक्शन और बीमारियों का शिकार हो सकता है। बता दें, बॉर्डी की इम्यूनिटी ही व्यक्ति को कई तरह के इंफेक्शन और बीमारियों से बचाती है

**Best Rice For Diabetics:**

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यह एक अनोखा चावल है जिसे बांस के शूटस से बनाया जाता है और इसकी ग्लाइसेमिक इंडेक्स मात्र 20 होती है। यह कम मिठने वाला और पीठक छोटे दाने वाला चावल है, जो स्टीम करने पर सबसे स्वादिष्ट लगता है और इसकी खाश फूल जैसी होती है। महाराष्ट्र के पश्चिमी क्षेत्र में पैदा होने वाला यह मध्यम दाने वाला चावल चिपचिप बनता है और इसकी खुशबू मीठी होती है। इसका ग्लाइसेमिक इंडेक्स 45-52 के बीच होता है।

कोलम राइस और ब्लैक राइस

यह एक छोटे दाने वाला चावल है जो पकाने पर संजी हो जाता है और इसकी खाश फूल जैसी होती है। पोंगल बनाने के लिए ज्यादातर इसी चावल का इस्तेमाल किया जाता है। इसका ग्लाइसेमिक इंडेक्स 51 होता है, जो इसे डायबिटीज रोगियों के लिए अच्छा बनाता है। ब्लैक राइस आयरन, कैल्शियम और एंटीऑक्सिडेंट्स से भरपूर होता है और इसका ग्लाइसेमिक इंडेक्स 42 होता है।

रेड राइस

इस चावल में नद्दी जैसा स्वाद होता है और इसका रंग एंटीऑक्सिडेंट्स की मात्रा के कारण होता है। इसमें हाइ लेवल के एंटीऑक्सिडेंट्स होते हैं जो फ्री रेडिकल्स को कम करते हैं और इसका ग्लाइसेमिक इंडेक्स 55 के आसपास होता है।

ब्राउन राइस

गहरे रंग का यह लंबे दाने वाला चावल होता है जिसमें हल्की सी गंध होती है। यह कैलोरी और ग्लाइसेमिक इंडेक्स (50-55) में कम होता है। यह पेट के लिए हल्का होता है और मिनरल्स और विटामिन से भरपूर होता है।
बासमती चावल

यह सबसे लोकप्रिय चावलों में से एक है, जो लंबे दाने वाला और सुखद खुशबू वाला होता है। भारत में इसे बिरयानी से लेकर खीर तक सभी तरह के व्यंजनों में इस्तेमाल किया जाता है। इसका ग्लाइसेमिक इंडेक्स 50-52 के बीच होता है।

मोगरा राइस और जोह राइस

यह खास और शीतकालीन धान है, जो अपनी खुशबू और लाजवाब स्वाद के लिए जाना जाता है। जोहा राइस छोटे दाने वाला एक शीतकालीन धान है, जो अपनी खास खुशबू और लाजवाब स्वाद के लिए जाना जाता है। जोहा चावल खाने वाले लोगों में शुगर की बीमारी (डायबिटीज़) और हृदय संबंधी बीमारियों का खतरा कम होता है।

सोना मसूरी

यह हल्का और सुगंधित, मध्यम दाने वाला चावल मुख्य रूप से दक्षिण भारतीय व्यंजनों में इस्तेमाल किया जाता है। सोना मसूरी, सोना और महसूरी चावल के मिश्रण से बनाया जाता है। इसका ग्लाइसेमिक इंडेक्स 51 होता है।