



Ministry of Health

# Syndromic Surveillance Report

## Epiweek 5: 30/01/23 – 05/02/23

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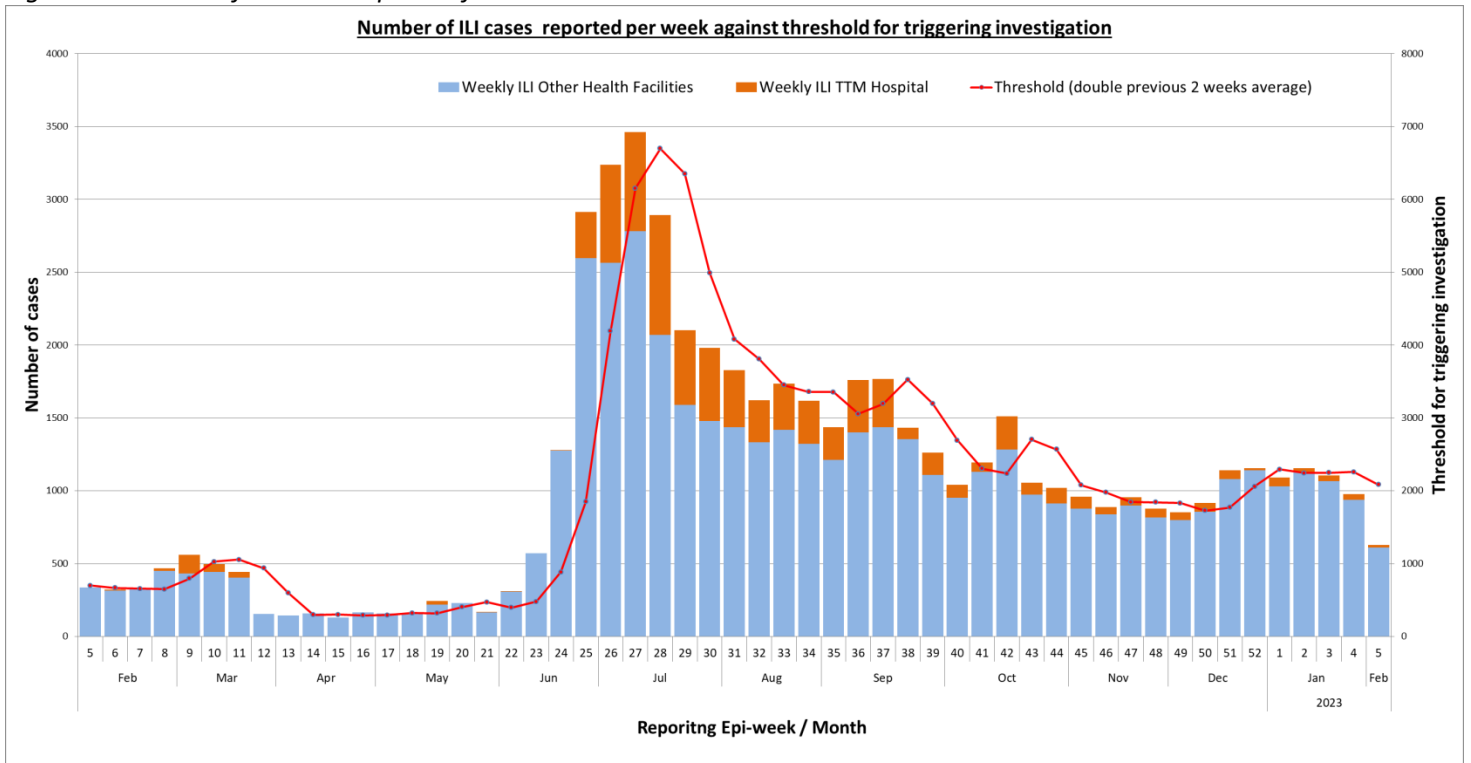
### 1. INFLUENZA LIKE ILLNESS (ILI)

**Case Definition:** An acute respiratory infection with a history of fever or measured fever of  $\geq 38\text{ C}^\circ$  and cough, with onset within the last 10 days

**Alert threshold:** Exceeding double the average in the previous 2 weeks

Epi-weeks	Epi-week 4: 23/01/23-29/01/23	Epi-week 5: 30/01/23-05/02/23
Total cases reported	979	627
Moving Average	1130	1042
Threshold*	2260	2083

Figure 1. Number of ILI cases reported from all Health Facilities



The ILI cases reported in the previous 3 weeks is below the threshold. However, even though the threshold has not exceeded, the Ministry of Health still highly recommends the general public to continue the practice of preventative measures such as – wearing of masks, hand hygiene and avoid large gatherings. If you are feeling ill with flu-like symptoms, please stay home and take medications as prescribed the clinician.

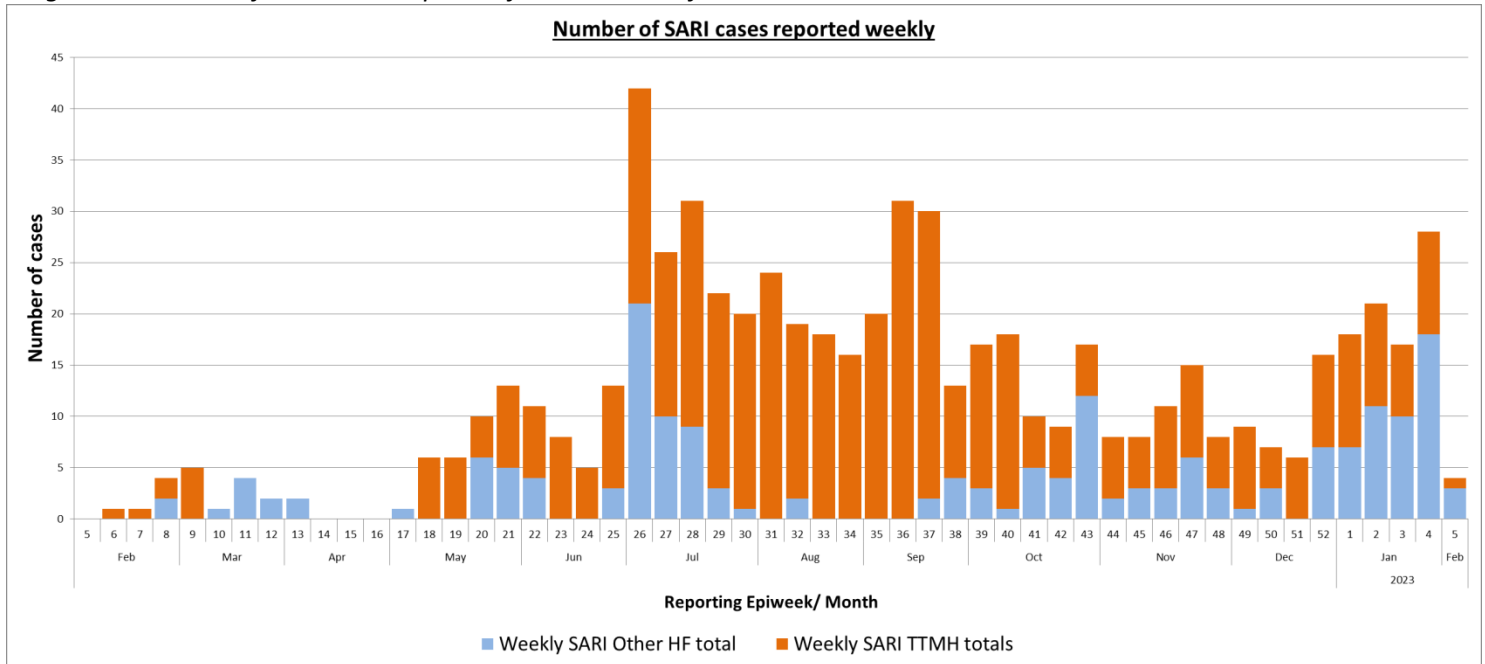
## 2. SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY INFECTION (SARI)

**Case Definition:** An acute respiratory infection with a history of fever or measured fever of  $\geq 38\text{ C}^\circ$  and cough, with onset within the last 10 days, AND requiring hospitalization

**Alert threshold:** 2 linked cases

Epiweek	Epi-week 4: 23/01/23-29/01/23	Epi-week 5: 30/01/23-05/02/23
Total cases reported	28	4
Moving Average	19	22.5
Threshold*	2 linked cases	2 linked cases

Figure 2. Number of SARI cases reported from all health facilities



The SARI cases reported have been investigated, and no known links were identified. Therefore, it does not meet the definition exceeding the threshold. The SARI cases reported last week are people diagnosed with unresolved or severe pneumonia. The public is strongly advised to continue to practice preventative measures as mentioned above such as wearing of masks, hand hygiene and avoid crowded places.

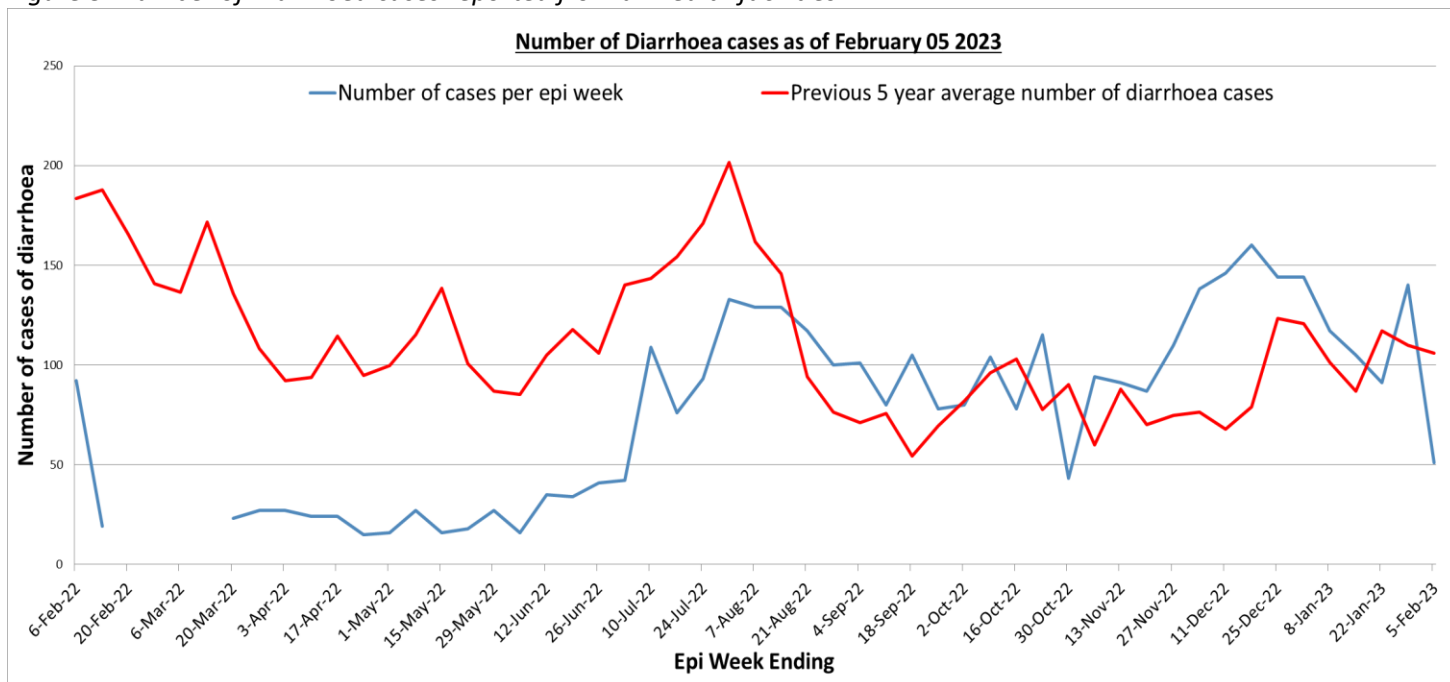
## 3. DIARRHOEA

**Case Definition:** Three (3) or more loose or watery or bloody stools in 24hrs

**Alert threshold:** more than twice the average of the last two weeks count

Epi-weeks	Epi-week 4: 23/01/23-29/01/23	Epi-week 5: 30/01/23-05/02/23
Total cases reported	140	51
Moving Average	98	115.5
Threshold	196	231

Figure 3. Number of Diarrhoea cases reported from all health facilities

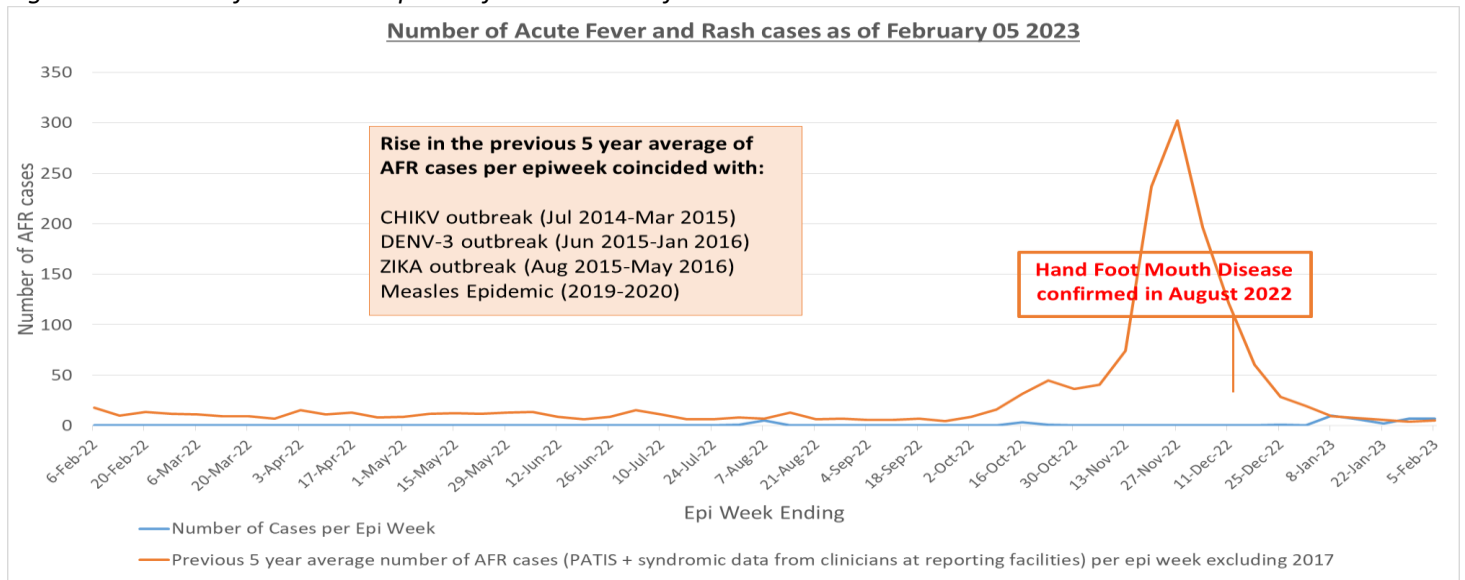


Diarrhoea cases reported in the previous weeks is below the threshold. In spite of the numbers, the Ministry of Health urges the public to continue the practice of preventative measures as we are still in the rainy/wet season. Please ensure access to safe drinking water, use of improved sanitation, hand washing with soap, and ensure good personal hygiene. In addition for prevention, all children at 6 months should have rotavirus vaccination.

#### 4. ACUTE FEVER AND RASH (AFR)

<b>Case Definition:</b> Sudden onset of fever (>38°C) AND acute non-vesicular or non-blistering rash		
<b>Alert threshold:</b> <b>two or more cases that temporally and epidemiologically linked</b>		
<b>Epi-weeks</b>	<b>Epi-week 4: 23/01/23-29/01/23</b>	<b>Epi-week 5: 30/01/23-05/02/23</b>
<b>Total cases reported</b>	7	7
<b>Moving Average</b>	4	4.5
<b>Threshold</b>	≥ 2 linked cases	≥ 2 linked cases
The AFR cases reported have been investigated and no known links have been identified. Therefore, it does not meet the definition of exceeding the threshold.		

Figure 4. Number of AFR cases reported from all health facilities



## 5. PROLONGED FEVER

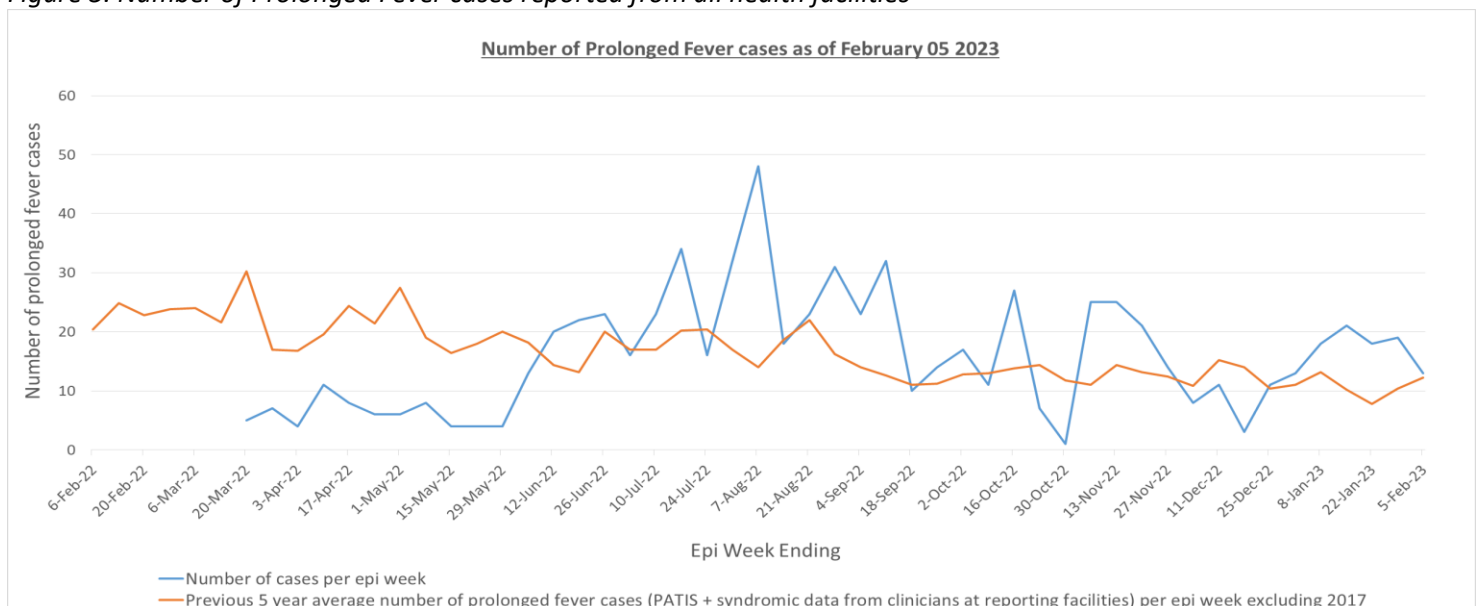
**Case Definition:** Fever  $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$  lasting 3 or more days

**Alert threshold:** twice the average number of cases seen in the previous two weeks

Epi-weeks	Epi-week 4: 23/01/23-29/01/23	Epi-week 5: 30/01/23-05/02/23
Total cases reported	19	13
Moving Average	19.5	18.5
Threshold	39	37

Prolonged fever cases reported in the previous week is below the threshold. All cases of prolonged fever are advised to test for Typhoid Fever. In the previous week, there were no confirmed cases of typhoid Fever.

Figure 5. Number of Prolonged Fever cases reported from all health facilities



## 6. DENGUE-LIKE ILLNESS (DLI)

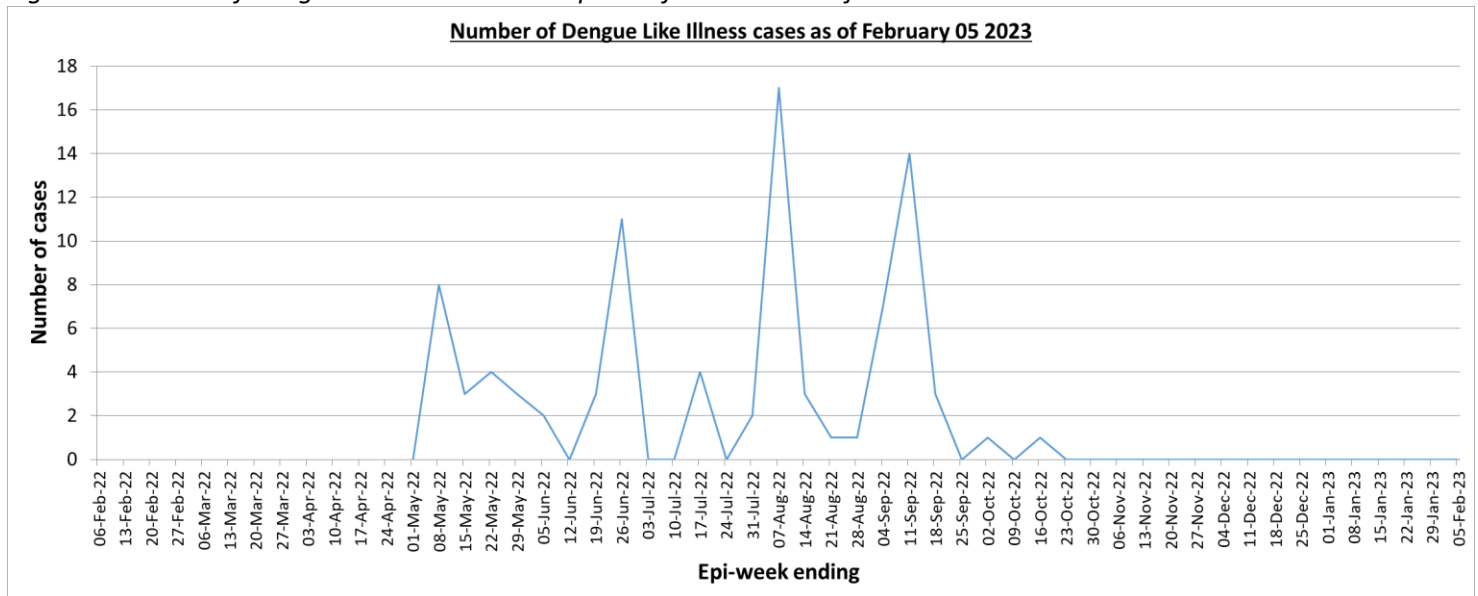
**Case Definition:** Fever ( $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) for at least 2 days, PLUS at least 2 of the following:

- Nausea or vomiting
- Muscle or joint pain
- Severe headache or pain behind the eyes
- Rash
- bleeding

**Alert threshold:** twice the average number of cases seen in the previous two weeks

Epi-weeks	Epi-week 4: 23/01/23-29/01/23	Epi-week 5: 30/01/23-05/02/23
Total cases reported	0	0
Moving Average	0	0
Threshold	0	0

Figure 6. Number of Dengue-Like Illness cases reported from all health facilities



Since October 2022, there have been zero reported cases of DLI. This syndrome is still monitored under the Syndromic Surveillance System.

For prevention and control of Dengue, use personal protective equipment such as repellents and mosquito nets. Also, eliminate any mosquito breeding grounds around the houses.