

## **Highlights of Polio Fax Bulletin No. 1135 for Week 27 2020**

### I. Salient features

1. Polio eradication teams at the Regional and Country levels are contributing into COVID19 Response, particularly in areas of surveillance (field and laboratory), data analysis, communications and coordination.
2. Wild Poliovirus Type-1 (WPV1):
  - One new WPV1 case reported this week from Pakistan bringing the total number of WPV1 cases in the region to 82 (Afghanistan – 26 and Pakistan – 56).
  - Nine new WPV1 positive environmental samples reported this week, all from Pakistan.
3. Vaccine Derived Poliovirus (VDPV):
  - Eleven new cVDPV2 cases reported this week, 8 from Afghanistan and 3 from Pakistan.
  - Five new cVDPV2 positive environmental samples reported this week, 4 from Afghanistan and 1 from Pakistan.

### II. Wild Poliovirus Transmission

**Endemic countries (Pakistan & Afghanistan):** Following was reported this week:

- a. *Human samples:* One new WPV1 case reported this week from Pakistan. Total WPV1 cases in 2020 to date is 82 (26 from Afghanistan and 56 from Pakistan). This compares with 59 cases in 2019 in the same period (13 from Afghanistan and 46 from Pakistan).
  - Afghanistan: No new wild poliovirus cases reported this week  
In 2020, 26 WPV1 cases are reported so far - nine cases from Hilmand province; four each from Kandahar and Farah provinces; and one each from Zabul, Nimroz, Laghman, Kunar, Badakhshan, Balkh, Herat, Badghis and Uruzgan provinces. The most recent case has onset of paralysis on 3 June 2020.
  - Pakistan: One new WPV1 case reported this week and details are as follows:  
The case reported from Wazirstan South district, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) province, with date of onset 8 June 2020. The case is a 42-month old male child. The child did not receive any OPV doses neither from routine nor from supplementary immunization activities (SIAs).  
In 2020, 56 WPV1 cases are reported so far, 21 cases from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) province, 18 from Sindh, 14 from Balochistan and 3 from Punjab province. The most recent case has onset of paralysis on 8 June 2020.
- b. *Environmental samples:* 9 new WPV1 positive environmental samples reported this week, all from Pakistan.
  - Afghanistan: In 2020 to date, there are 17 WPV1 positive environmental samples including one combined (WPV1 and cVDPV2) with most recent sample collected on 27 May 2020.
  - Pakistan: In 2020 to date, there are 229 WPV1 positive environmental samples including 11 combined (WPV1 and cVDPV2) and 3 combined (WPV1 and aVDPV2) with most recent positive sample collected on 19 June 2020.

### III. Vaccine Derived Polioviruses (VDPVs)

1. *Afghanistan:* Eight new cVDPV2 cases and four positive environmental samples were reported this week.  
*Human samples:* The eight new cVDPV2 cases were reported one each from Muhamd Dara, Lalpur, Chaparhar and Achin districts and two cases from Shinwar district, Nanagarhar province, and one each from Alishang and Mehterlam districts, Laghman province. The dates of onset of the cases vary between 1 May to 1 June 2020.

In 2020 to date, there are 25 cVDPV2 cases; 21 reported from Nangarhar province and two (2) each from Kunar and Laghman provinces, with most recent case's onset on 1 June 2020.

*Environment:* In 2020 to date, 26 cVDPV2 positive environmental samples including 1 combined (WPV1 and cVDPV2) were reported; 21 from Jalalabad and 4 from Batikot districts, Nangarhar province, and 1 from Kabul district, Kabul province, with most recent collection on 5 May 2020.

2. Pakistan: Three new cVDPV2 cases and one positive environmental sample reported this week.

*Human samples:* The three new cVDPV2 cases were reported one each from Tank district, KP province, Attock district, Punjab province, and Baldia town in Karachi, Sindh province. The dates of onset of the cases vary between 15 - 30 May.

In 2020 to date, there are 50 cVDPV2 cases reported. Cases include 42 from KP province, 5 from Punjab province, 2 from Sindh province and 1 from Balochistan province, with most recent case's onset on 30 May 2020.

*Environment:* In 2020, there are 16 positive environmental samples for cVDPV2 so far (including 11 combined WPV1 and cVDPV2), the most recent sample collected on 17 April 2020. Also, there are four aVDPV2 isolates detected in environmental samples, which include three combined (WPV1 + aVDPV2). The most recent cVDPV2 positive environmental sample was collected on 10 April 2020.

3. SOMALIA: No new VDPV isolates from human or environmental samples were reported this week.

In 2020 to date: No cVDPV2 cases. There are 11 cVDPV2 positive environmental samples reported, the most recent collected on 5 May 2020.

#### **IV. Surveillance performance indicators**

In 2020, 13 out of 22 member states are meeting the global target of both key surveillance indicators, namely non polio AFP rate of 2 per 100,000 children aged below 15 years and percent AFP cases with adequate specimen 80% and above. This compares with 19 countries meeting the both indicators in the same period in 2019. There is a decline in reporting of AFP cases due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

- Djibouti is missing both indicators since it did not report any AFP case in 2020
- Morocco and Tunisia are also missing both indicators as their non-polio AFP rate is 1.4 and 1.3 and their percentage of AFP cases with adequate stool specimens is 67.2% and 70.6% respectively.
- Jordan, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Sudan have a non-polio AFP rate of 1.1, 1.9, 0.7, 0.5, 1.4, and 1.2 respectively.







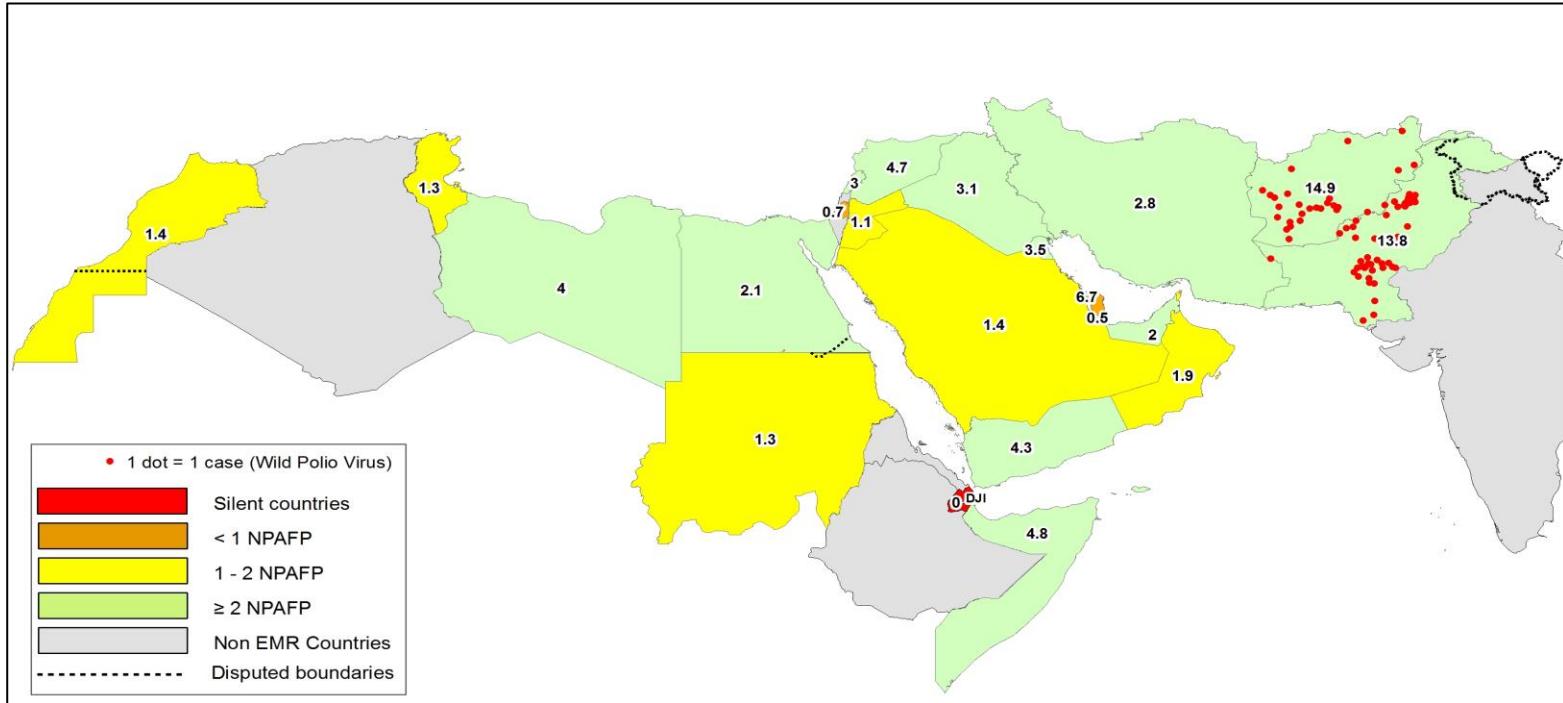




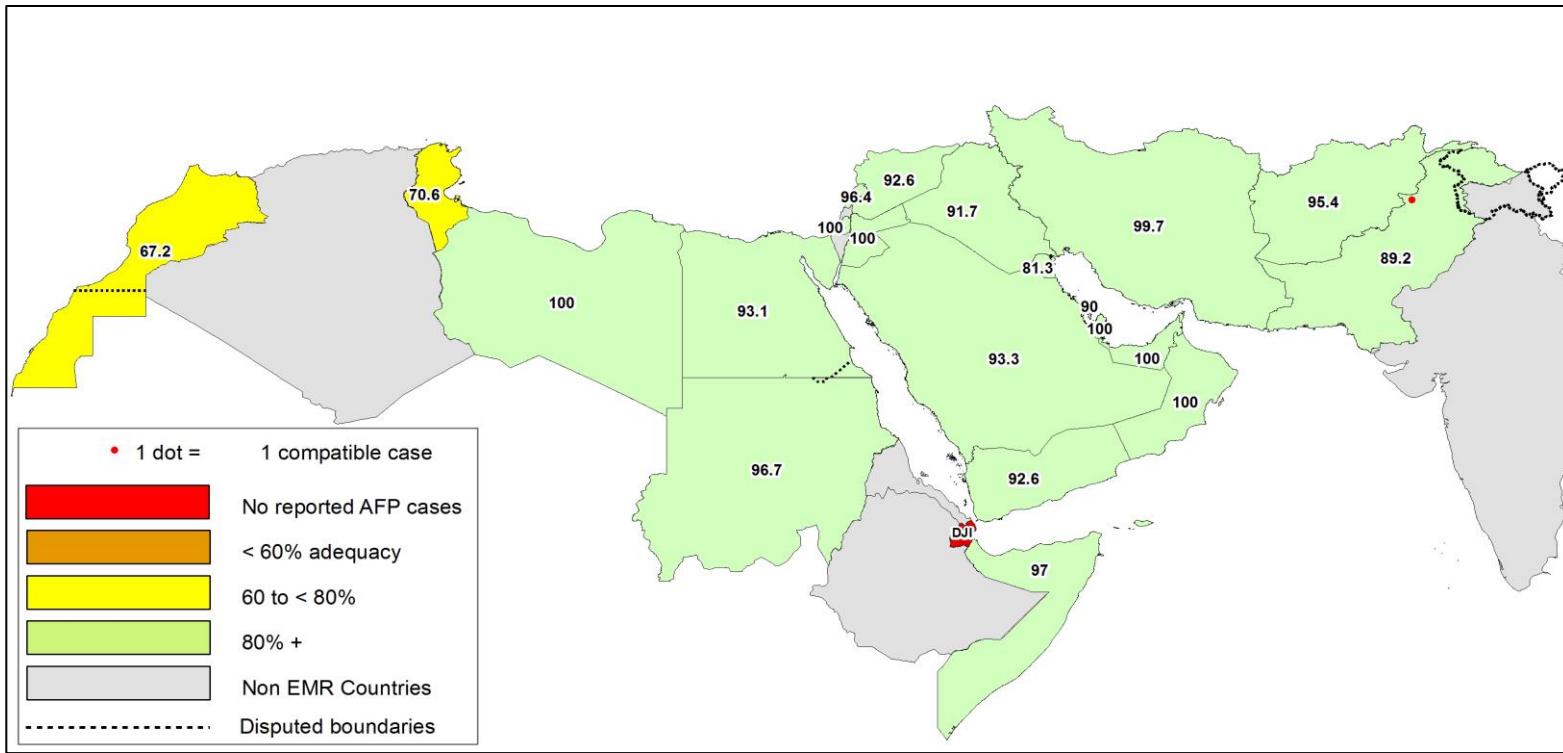
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**Figure 1: Non Polio AFP Rate and Wild Virus in EMR 01/01/2020 - 05/07/2020**



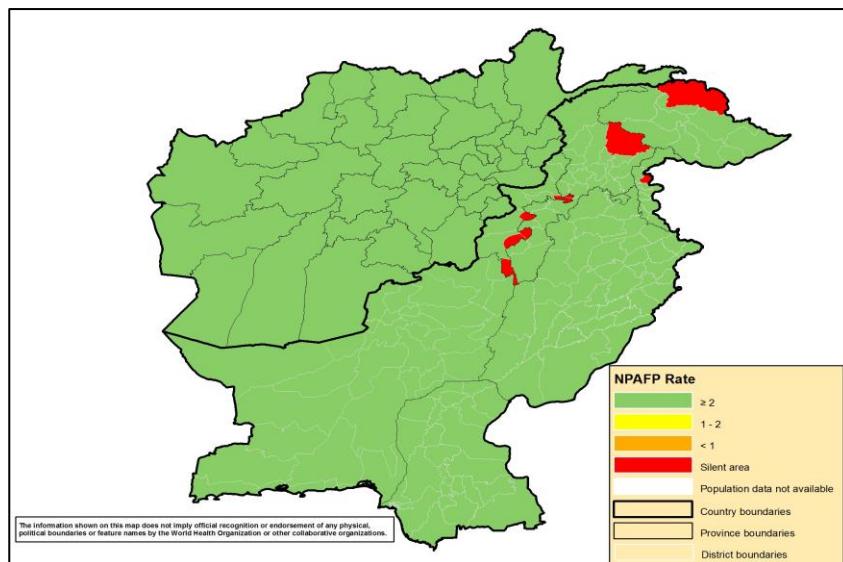
**Figure 2: Percent of AFP cases with Adequate Samples & Compatible Cases in EMR 01/01/2020 - 05/07/2020**



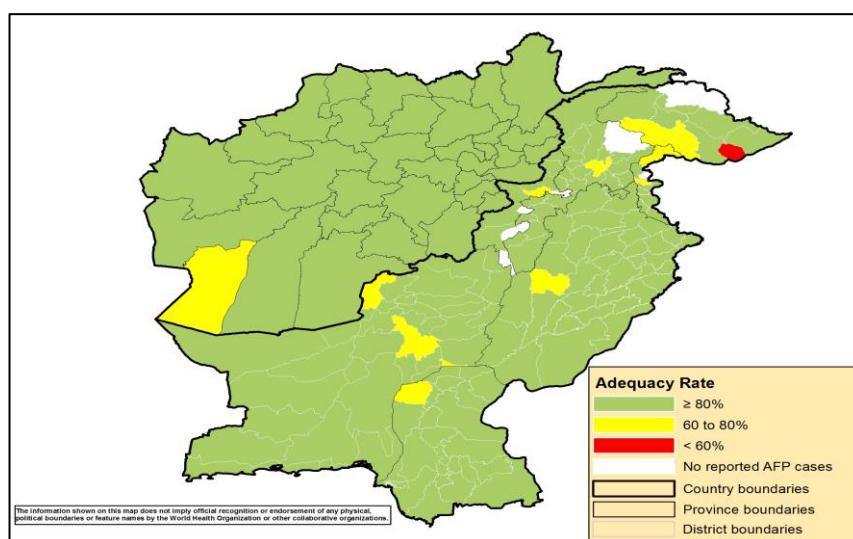
**Table 8: Wild polio cases by country and date of onset of paralysis in EMR, 2019 - 2020**

Year	COUNTRY	Count	First Case	Last Case
2020	AFG	26	4-Jan-20	3-Jun-20
	PAK	56	1-Jan-20	8-Jun-20
<b>2020 Total</b>		<b>82</b>	<b>1-Jan-20</b>	<b>8-Jun-20</b>
2019	AFG	29	4-Jan-19	7-Dec-19
	PAK	147	15-Jan-19	31-Dec-19
<b>2019 Total</b>		<b>176</b>	<b>4-Jan-19</b>	<b>31-Dec-19</b>

**Figure 3: Non Polio AFP rate by Province in Afghanistan & by District in Pakistan 01/01/2020 - 05/07/2020**

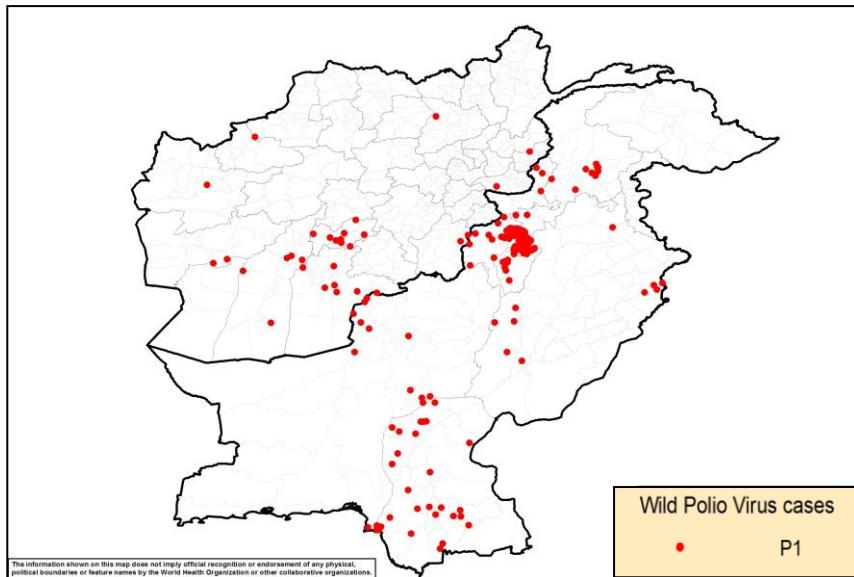


**Figure 4: Percent of AFP cases with Adequate Samples in Afghanistan by Province & Pakistan by District 01/01/2020 - 05/07/2020**

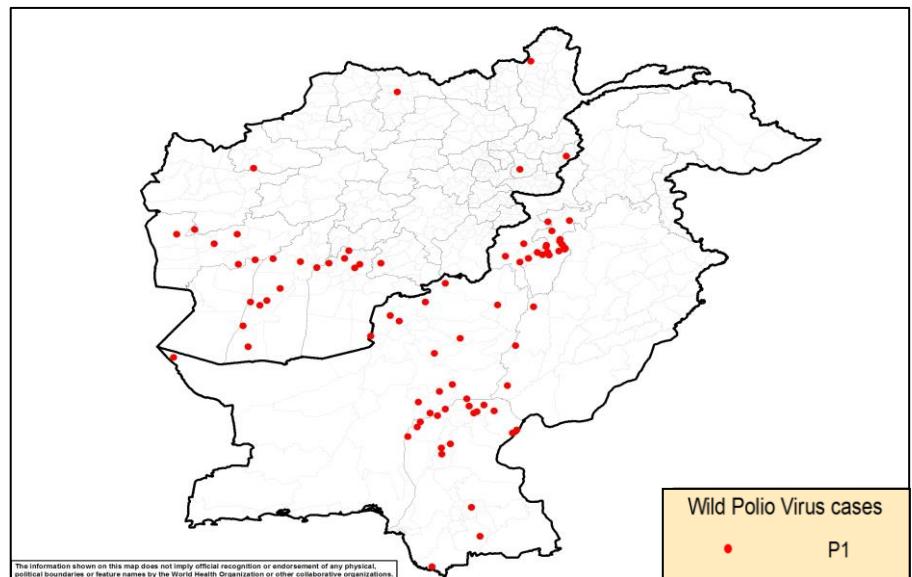


**Figure 5: Wild Virus Cases by Type & District in Afghanistan & Pakistan**

**5(a) 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2019**



**5(b) 01/01/2020 - 05/07/2020**



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**Table 9: Wild Polio cases by district and date of onset of paralysis, Afghanistan 2019-2020**

ONSETYR	PROVINCE	DISTRICT	Count	First case	Last case
2020	BALKH	DEHDADI	1	15-Mar-20	15-Mar-20
	HIRAT	SHINDAND	1	21-Mar-20	21-Mar-20
FARAH	BALABULUK		2	11-May-20	17-May-20
	ANARDARA		1	6-May-20	6-May-20
	BAKWA		1	4-Feb-20	4-Feb-20
BADGHIS	QADIS		1	13-May-20	13-May-20
KUNAR	SHIGAL WA SHELTON		1	5-Mar-20	5-Mar-20
LAGHMAN	MEHTARLAM		1	10-Feb-20	10-Feb-20
KANDAHAR	NESH		1	23-May-20	23-May-20
	SHAHWALIKOT		2	4-Mar-20	22-Mar-20
	GHORAK		1	19-Mar-20	19-Mar-20
ZABUL	MIZAN		1	21-Jan-20	21-Jan-20
HILMAND	REG		4	25-May-20	3-Jun-20
	DEH-E-SHU		1	27-May-20	27-May-20
	NAWZAD		1	11-May-20	11-May-20
	SANGIN		1	7-May-20	7-May-20
	NAD-E-ALI		1	1-May-20	1-May-20
	WASHER		1	4-Jan-20	4-Jan-20
URUZGAN	TIRINKOT		1	28-May-20	28-May-20
NIMROZ	KHASHROD		1	28-Feb-20	28-Feb-20
BADAKHSHAN	YAWAN		1	10-Mar-20	10-Mar-20
<b>2020 Total</b>			<b>26</b>	<b>4-Jan-20</b>	<b>3-Jun-20</b>
2019	HIRAT	PASHTUNZARGHUN	1	19-Nov-19	19-Nov-19
	FARAH	BAKWA	2	14-Nov-19	25-Nov-19
	BADGHIS	BALAMURGHAB	1	17-Oct-19	17-Oct-19
	NANGARHAR	KHOGYANI	1	18-Sep-19	18-Sep-19
	KUNAR	WATAPUR	1	8-May-19	8-May-19
	PAKTIKA	BERMEL	2	15-Sep-19	28-Sep-19
	KANDAHAR	SHAHWALIKOT	1	7-Dec-19	7-Dec-19
		SPINBOLDAK	2	4-Jan-19	22-Nov-19
		KANDAHAR	2	17-Aug-19	10-Nov-19
		GHORAK	1	12-Jan-19	12-Jan-19
	HILMAND	GARMSER	1	26-May-19	26-May-19
		MUSAQALAH	1	5-May-19	5-May-19
		NAWZAD	1	3-Apr-19	3-Apr-19
		WASHER	1	23-Mar-19	23-Mar-19
		SANGIN	1	6-Mar-19	6-Mar-19
	URUZGAN	KHASURUZGAN	1	2-Nov-19	2-Nov-19
		TIRINKOT	4	19-May-19	2-Aug-19
		CHORA	3	20-Mar-19	23-Jul-19
		SHAHID-E-HASSAS	1	25-Feb-19	25-Feb-19
<b>2019 Total</b>	<b>BAGHLAN</b>	<b>PUL-E- KHUMRI</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>4-Jan-19</b>	<b>7-Dec-19</b>

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**Table 10: Wild Polio cases by district and date of onset of paralysis, Pakistan 2019-2020**

ONSET/YR	PROVINCE	DISTRICT	Count	First case	Last case
2020	KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA	WAZIR-S	2	21-Feb-20	8-Jun-20
		BANNU	1	27-Apr-20	27-Apr-20
		TANK	4	11-Jan-20	15-Mar-20
		KARAK	2	20-Jan-20	13-Mar-20
		LAKKIMRWT	12	2-Jan-20	9-Mar-20
	BALOCHISTAN	CHAGHAI	1	4-Jun-20	4-Jun-20
		DUKKI	1	26-May-20	26-May-20
		PISHIN	3	31-Jan-20	26-May-20
		KABDULAH	1	11-May-20	11-May-20
		JHALMAGSI	1	19-Apr-20	19-Apr-20
		ZHOB	2	22-Feb-20	13-Apr-20
		NSIRABAD	2	3-Jan-20	13-Apr-20
		JAFARABAD	1	12-Feb-20	12-Feb-20
		SOHBATPUR	1	12-Feb-20	12-Feb-20
		SIBI	1	7-Feb-20	7-Feb-20
	PUNJAB	RAJANPUR	1	2-Jun-20	2-Jun-20
		DGKHAN	2	18-Jan-20	4-May-20
	SINDH	GHOSTKI	3	2-Mar-20	18-May-20
		KAMBAR	3	8-Jan-20	11-Apr-20
		KHAIRPUR	1	27-Mar-20	27-Mar-20
		JACOBABAD	3	7-Feb-20	16-Mar-20
		NFEROZ	2	8-Feb-20	22-Feb-20
		SHIKARPUR	1	11-Feb-20	11-Feb-20
		KASHMORE	2	16-Jan-20	3-Feb-20
		T.ALLAHYAR	1	7-Jan-20	7-Jan-20
		SUJAWAL	1	7-Jan-20	7-Jan-20
		BADIN	1	1-Jan-20	1-Jan-20
			<b>56</b>	<b>1-Jan-20</b>	<b>8-Jun-20</b>
<b>2020 Total</b>					
2019	KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA	LAKKIMRWT	32	27-May-19	31-Dec-19
		DIKHAN	4	5-May-19	21-Dec-19
		MOHMAND	1	20-Dec-19	20-Dec-19
		TANK	6	11-Oct-19	18-Dec-19
		BANNU	26	15-Jan-19	30-Nov-19
		SWABI	1	17-Nov-19	17-Nov-19
		WAZIR-N	9	4-Apr-19	10-Oct-19
		TORGHAR	7	25-May-19	13-Sep-19
		WAZIR-S	1	20-Aug-19	20-Aug-19
		HANGU	2	20-Jan-19	28-Jul-19
		CHARSADA	1	21-Jul-19	21-Jul-19
		SHANGLA	1	18-May-19	18-May-19
		KHYBER	1	14-Feb-19	14-Feb-19
		BAJOUR	1	18-Jan-19	18-Jan-19
	BALOCHISTAN	KABDULAH	5	9-Jun-19	31-Dec-19
		JAFARABAD	3	28-May-19	18-Dec-19
		NSIRABAD	1	5-Dec-19	5-Dec-19
		MASTUNG	1	18-Nov-19	18-Nov-19
		HARNAI	1	27-Sep-19	27-Sep-19
		QUETTA	1	6-Jul-19	6-Jul-19
	PUNJAB	LAHORE	5	20-Jan-19	28-Dec-19
		DGKHAN	4	2-Dec-19	25-Dec-19
		OKARA	1	8-Dec-19	8-Dec-19
		MUZFARGARH	1	26-Nov-19	26-Nov-19
		JHELUM	1	21-Jun-19	21-Jun-19
	SINDH	THATTA	1	26-Dec-19	26-Dec-19
		DADU	2	6-Dec-19	26-Dec-19
		LARKANA	3	17-Apr-19	24-Dec-19
		JAMSHORO	3	23-Aug-19	22-Dec-19
		JACOBABAD	1	19-Dec-19	19-Dec-19
		MIRPURKHAS	4	17-Nov-19	18-Dec-19
		KAMBAR	3	2-Nov-19	14-Dec-19
		BADIN	1	28-Nov-19	28-Nov-19
		T.ALLAHYAR	1	10-Nov-19	10-Nov-19
		KHIKAMARI	1	29-Oct-19	29-Oct-19
		SUKKUR	1	27-Oct-19	27-Oct-19
		KHIJAMSHEED	1	24-Oct-19	24-Oct-19
		SBENAZIRABAD	1	19-Oct-19	19-Oct-19
		SUJAWAL	1	25-Sep-19	25-Sep-19
		KHORANGI	2	20-Aug-19	26-Aug-19
		HYDERABAD	2	20-Jul-19	5-Aug-19
		KHIGIQBAL	1	29-Apr-19	29-Apr-19
		KHILAYARI	1	25-Feb-19	25-Feb-19
<b>2019 Total</b>			<b>147</b>	<b>15-Jan-19</b>	<b>31-Dec-19</b>

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Table 11: Circulating VDPV cases and date of onset of paralysis in EMR countries by districts 2019-2020

COUNTRY	YEAR	PROVINCE	DISTRICT	Count	First Case	Last Case
AFG	2020	LAGHMAN	ALISHANG MEHTERLAM	1 1	24-May-20 20-May-20	24-May-20 20-May-20
		KUNAR	NARANG NURGAL	1	1-May-20 6-Apr-20	1-May-20 6-Apr-20
		NANGARHAR	ACHIN CHAPARHAR BEHSUD RODAT LALPUR BATIKOT SHINWAR Muhammad Dara Kama Dehbala Dar-e-Nur	1 2 1 1 3 1 5 3 1	25-May-20 11-May-20 28-Apr-20 18-Apr-20 30-Apr-20 5-Feb-20 27-Mar-20 6-Apr-20 4-Apr-20 18-Apr-20 16-Apr-20	25-May-20 01-Jun-20 28-Apr-20 18-Apr-20 21-May-20 5-Feb-20 22-May-20 24-May-20 30-Apr-20 18-Apr-20 16-Apr-20
			SINDH	1	15-May-20	15-May-20
			BALOCHISTAN	1	2-May-20	2-May-20
			PUNJAB	1	29-Feb-20	29-Feb-20
			ATTOCK RAWALPINDI FAISALABAD	1	30-May-20	30-May-20
			TANK DIRUPPER WAZIR-S PESHAWAR BAJOUR KHYSER NOWSHERA LAKKI MARWAT MARDAN DIR LOWER BANNU	1 1 1 6 3 15 4 5 1 3 2	18-Jan-20 5-Feb-20	18-Jan-20 14-Mar-20
			Total 2020	75	2-Jan-20	1-Jun-20
		PAK	PUNJAB	1	22-Nov-19	22-Nov-19
			KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA	3 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	12-Dec-19 12-Dec-19 12-Dec-19 1-Dec-19 8-Dec-19 13-Dec-19 3-Nov-19 27-Oct-19 6-Oct-19 4-Sep-19	28-Dec-19 21-Dec-19 1-Dec-19 8-Dec-19 13-Dec-19 3-Nov-19 27-Oct-19 11-Oct-19 17-Dec-19
			ISLAMABAD	1	11-Sep-19	11-Sep-19
			GILGIT BALTISTAN	4	7-Jul-19	28-Aug-19
			BARI	1	8-May-19	8-May-19
			TOGDHER	1	21-Apr-19	21-Apr-19
			SOOL	1	15-Mar-19	15-Mar-19
			Total 2019	25	15-Mar-19	28-Dec-19

