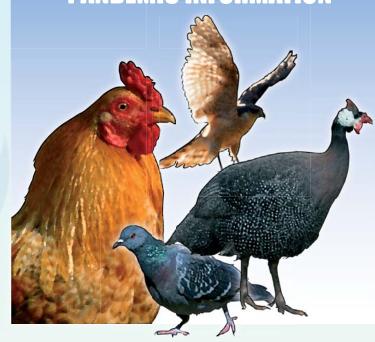


AVIAN INFLUENZA PANDEMIC INFORMATION



WHAT IS AVIAN INFLUENZA?

AI is a disease caused by a group of viruses affecting mainly birds.

- The germ is known as Influenza H5N1.
- It can survive for :
 - 30 days at 0°C
 - 5 min in 60°C
 - 1 min in 100°C.

HOW DO YOU REDUCE YOUR RISK OF CONTRACTING AVIAN INFLUENZA

- Always wash hands with soap and water
- Inform yourself and others about influenza and maintain good health
- Keep away from others, especially when sick with flu symptoms
- Avoid contact with birds and poultry
- If a person feels sick after close contact with a bird, contact the nearest health facility immediately
- Cook chicken, meat and eggs thoroughly at 70°C
- Avoid backyard poultry.

Runny stuffy

nose and

wheezing

Very common

Severe

Severe

Worsening

with sputum

Avoid touching sick or dead birds and report to the medical cell for advice, or call Laboratory LANADA: 20 22 58 38.

TREATMENT

Stuffy

nose

Sneezing

Sore

Chest

Cough

discomfort

throat

Common

usual

Common

Mild

Moderate

Wheezina

Sometimes

Sometimes

Common

Can become

severe

- Tamiflu: an antiviral drug, effective within 48hrs after the first dose, reduces symptoms and complications.
 - It can be taken as prevention or treatment.
 - ONUCI has 17,600 caps of Tamiflu as emergency stock, and 25% of the required quantities for ONUCI Staff members.
- Vaccination not yet possible for H5N1.

