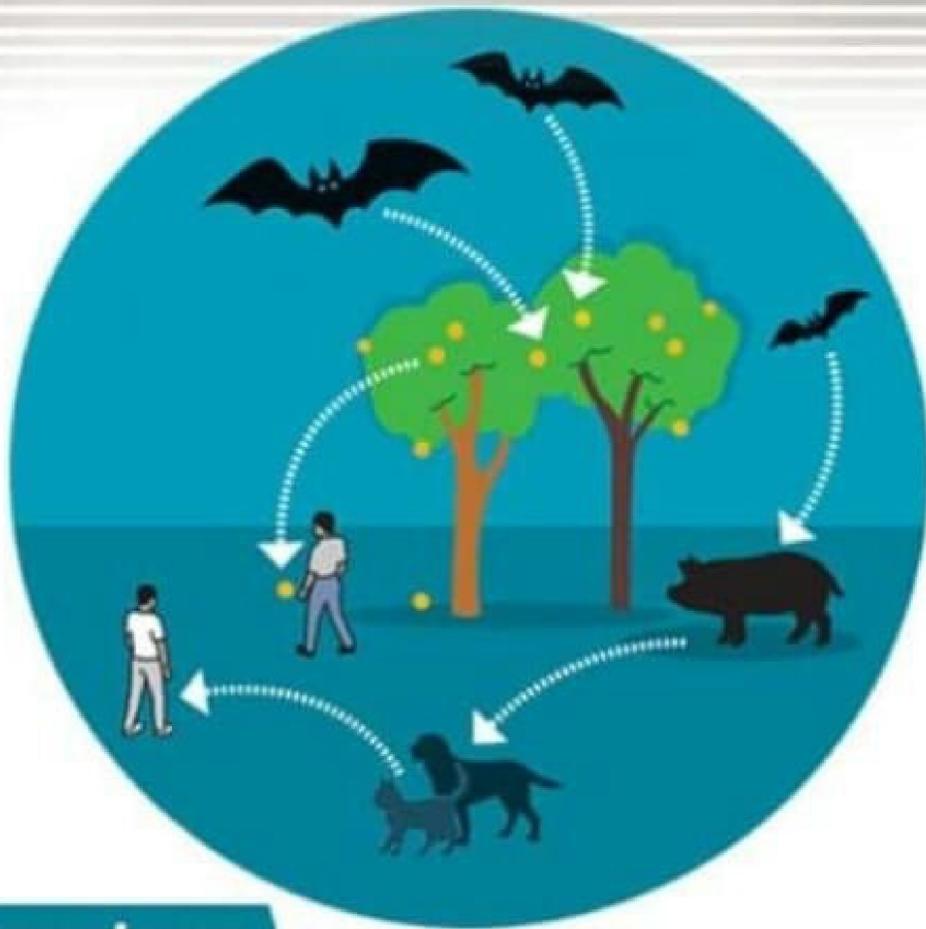


NIPAH VIRUS DISEASE (NiV Disease)



Nipah scare in Indian subcontinent

2001:
Siliguri (West Bengal, India)
Affected – 66
Dead – 45

2011:
Bangladesh
Affected – 56
Dead – 50

Data: WHO

Symptoms

- Fever, headache, vomiting, fainting
- Some may show symptoms of epilepsy
- Symptoms may last for 10-12 days
- Then, the infected may fall unconscious
- Death may happen as brain fever develops at the final stage

Incubation period: 6-21 days.

**Mortality
rate
74.5%**

How does it spread

- From fruit bats to animals through bites
- From animals to other animals through fluids
- From bats to humans (if one takes fruits bitten by bats)
- From animals to humans through body fluids
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How to prevent

- Do not eat fruits bitten by birds and animals
- Wash hands properly after contacting infected people
- Wear mask and gloves while tending to patients
- Do not drink toddy collected from areas where bats are found in large numbers

Samples :

The samples may be as follows • Throat swab in viral transport medium • Urine 10 ml in universal sterile container • Blood in plain vial (atleast 5ml) • CSF (atleast 1 ml) in sterile container

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