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SINGAPORE'S POULTRY SUPPLY UNAFFECTED BY OUTBREAK OF HPAI IN PENANG

The Agri-Food & Veterinary Authority (AVA) has been informed by Malaysia's Department of Veterinary Services (DVS) that an outbreak of H5N1 avian flu has been confirmed in the village of Permatang Bagak, in Seberang Perai, Penang.

The outbreak will not have any impact on Singapore's poultry supply as Penang is not approved to supply poultry and poultry products to Singapore. The outbreak of HPAI in Penang will not affect poultry imports from the disease free zones of Johor, Malacca and Negri Sembilan to Singapore. AVA will continue to work closely with DVS to monitor the disease situation to ensure that poultry imported do not compromise public and animal health.

Poultry and egg supply

3 Singapore currently imports about 50% of poultry as live poultry from Malaysia (Johor, Malacca and Negri Sembilan) and 50% of poultry as frozen poultry from countries such as Brazil, US and the Netherlands. 65% of egg imports come from Malaysia while our local farms account for the remaining 35% of our egg supply.

Poultry and poultry products in Singapore are safe for consumption

AVA would like to reassure the public that we will maintain our vigilance to ensure that Singapore remains free from bird flu. We will also step up surveillance and inspections at the points of entry to prevent the incursion of the disease. AVA wishes to reiterate that poultry and poultry products here are safe for consumption.

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