

Rabies claims 100th fatality in Indonesia's Bali

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(AP) -- A rabies outbreak on Indonesia's resort island of Bali has now killed 100 people.

Ken Wirasandhi, a doctor monitoring the [epidemic](#), said Friday that a 40-year-old villager died overnight after being hospitalized with rabies symptoms.

Bali, an island of 3 million people and one of Asia's top tourist destinations, has been grappling with the [outbreak](#) for nearly two years. Several countries have issued advisories, telling travelers they should get shots and stay clear of dogs roaming the white-sand beaches.

In a widely criticized move, local officials responded by killing 200,000 stray dogs, saying they couldn't afford to vaccinate the animals against [rabies](#). That has changed in recent weeks with the help of international funds.

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