

Measles

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ABOUT

- Caused by a virus in the paramyxovirus family
 - Human disease; not known to occur in animals
 - The virus infects the respiratory tract, then spreads throughout the body
 - Measles Immunization Day is observed on 16th March

TRANSMISSION

- Contagious Disease
- Passes through direct
 contact and through the air

VULNERABLE GROUPS

- Any unvaccinated person
- More likely among children
 under 5 years

SYMPTOMS

• High fever, rashes, blindness, encephalitis, severe diarrhea, can cause death also

TREATMENT

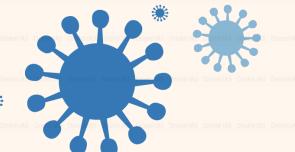
- No specific antiviral treatment
- Complications from measles can be reduced through supportive care





VACCINATION

 The measles vaccine is often incorporated with rubella and/or mumps vaccines Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR) or control of the Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR)



INITIATIVES

- Global: The Measles & Rubella Initiative (M&R Initiative)
- The Measles and Rubella Strategic Framework 2021–2030 envisions "a world free from measles and rubella"
- Indian: Measles vaccination is given under Mission Indradhanush



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