**Situation update**

- A total of 179 cases and 31 deaths (CFR: 29%) were reported between 02 August and 04 November 2016 from 8 health districts (Abalak, Tilia, Tassara, Tchinta, Keita, Madaoua, Tahoua commune and Tahoua department) in Tahoua region. Tchita is the most affected district reporting 62% of cases followed by Tassara reporting 26% of cases (Fig 4).
- 23 new cases and no deaths were reported since the last report on 28 October 2016.
- Nomadic movement has contributed to the further expansion of the outbreak to the south with new districts reporting cases (Fig 1).

**Actions undertaken**

- A risk communication expert is working with country office staff to strengthen community awareness and case detection in Tahoua region.
- An IPC expert is being deployed to assist with the outbreak response.
- Laboratory investigation of entomological specimens (sandflies) was carried out by IPD/MSP. All samples were PCR negative and further analysis of specimens will be performed at IPD.
- Additional patient specimens arrived from the field and analysis is in progress by CERMES.
- A comprehensive epidemiological investigation protocol is being developed by the country office with support from AFRO and HQ.
- A joint mission to Ménaka in Mali was conducted by FAO, WHO and MoH Mali. Human and animal samples were collected and results are pending.

**Fig 1. Geographic distribution of RVF cases in Niger, as of 4 November 2016**

**Fig 2. Distribution of cases by age group, as of 4 November 2016**

**Fig 3. Distribution of cases, by gender as of 4 November 2016**

**Fig 4. Distribution of cases by health district, as of 4 November 2016**

**Fig 5. Distribution of cases by profession, as of 4 November 2016**

**Fig 6. Distribution of RVF cases and deaths, as of 4 November 2016**

*IPC = Infection prevention and control; IPD = Institute Pasteur Dakar; MSP = Ministre de la Santé Publique du Niger; CERMES = Centre de Recherche Médicale et Sanitaire; FAO = Food and Animal Organization; MoH = Ministry of Health*