Humans get rabies through the bite or scratch of infected dogs or other mammals, such as cats or wild animals.

Symptoms are fear of water and air; difficulty swallowing; and excess salivation. Symptoms can take more than four weeks to appear.

A bite by a potentially rabid animal is a medical emergency! Bites to the face, neck or finger tips are most dangerous.

If bitten by a potentially rabid animal:

- Wash the wound with soap and water for at least five minutes.
- Consult a medical doctor immediately.

In case of dog bites:

- If possible, observe the dog for 10 days.
- If it dies within 10 days, or you don’t know its fate, you must get vaccinated.

Preventing rabies is a social responsibility. Vaccinate your dogs and cats as recommended by your veterinary doctor.