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From : Madhumita Ray, IAS  
The Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal.

To : The Vice-Chancellors (All universities within the State)

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Sir / Madam,

You are aware that Dengue is a vector borne disease having the potential of large scale outbreak & its risk increases due to various climatic conditions & diverse human activities viz. urbanisation, improper water storage practices in urban, suburban & rural areas. So, the State Government desires to keep everybody on full alert about this fatal disease & other vector borne diseases. The next couple of months will require all Higher Education Institutions to be vigilant & take preventive steps in this regard.

The Universities and the affiliating Colleges may take suitable action to keep the respective premises clean & take up sensitization programmes for creating awareness among the stake holders. Open vats inside or near the Institution may be closed with tight caps. Storage of water due to construction activities within the campus should be kept under regular check & regular cleaning activities of the garbage & the stagnant water bodies be undertaken in a sustainable manner. Fever cases must be reported to the concerned authority immediately & susceptible cases be tested at the nearest Dengue Testing Centre (by ELISA Method) without any waste of time.

The Health & Family Welfare Department's circular No. HIB/M/5A-6-2013/A 224 dated 30.06.2015 (copy enclosed) be followed with utmost care.

This may kindly be treated as extremely urgent.

Yours faithfully,

Enco : As stated.

  
Secretary

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CIRCULAR

In continuation to the circular bearing memo. no. HIB/M/54-6-2013/165 Dt. 7th May, 2015, where detailed activities & steps were communicated in connection with the Vector Borne Diseases in West Bengal, it is considered that as regards Dengue disease following few activities may be looked into more systematically & in a continued manner under direct monitoring of the Chief Medical Officer himself.

As we all are aware that, Dengue is a fastest growing arboviral infection. The risk of Dengue is increased due to various favourable climatic conditions and other diverse human activities. For this the active involvement of other sectors are very much essential in prevention and control of Dengue. In absence of specific drug or vaccine, the case management of Dengue is still challenging. In comparison to last year till date number of Dengue cases have been increased due to increase number of cases in Kolkata and certain other districts of our state.

With the onset of monsoon the number of Dengue cases may be increased further which may lead to morbidity and mortality. In view of the above we need to prepare ourselves for effective control of Dengue & robust management of dengue cases (as per new guidelines for Dengue case management-2014, available in [www.nvbdcp.gov.in](http://www.nvbdcp.gov.in) & soft copy supplied on 08.05.2015 Dy. CMOH-II meeting) in the forth coming days. The following activities are to be strengthened further.

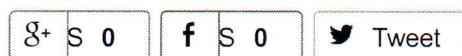
1) Identification of vulnerable areas on the basis of epidemiological and entomological surveillance on weekly basis.

- 2) Set up of rapid response team at District, Block/ Municipality level.
- 3) House to House activities- Searching of water holding containers for aedes larvae, cleaning and drying of water container, searching of fever cases and suspected cases to be tested at nearest Dengue testing Centre by ELISA Method. Analysis of House to House surveys need to be done at Municipality and CMOH level for focused attention at risk areas.
- 4) Strictly following DOs & DONTs of Dengue guidelines already circulated.
- 5) Ensure management by Medical Officers/ Specialists as per new guidelines.
- 6) Set up of fever clinics at the District/SD Hospital for screening of cases and symptomatic management and timely referral during outbreak.
- 7) Intensified IEC/BCC for social mobilization and source reduction.
- 8) Timely warning signals & Establishment of weekly/daily reporting as per norm.

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#### Check this Out:

1. **West Bengal Municipal Election in 91 ULBs, 2015**
2. **Preventive Measures for Mosquito-genic Condition in W.B.**
3. **West Bengal Health (Placement on Trainee Reserve) Rules, 2015**
4. **Terms of Reference of Staffs under Adolescent Health Program and RBSK**