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Title:	Rise in number of dengue cases in Telangana's urban centres			
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The urban centres of Telangana, especially areas under Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC), Medchal-Malkajgiri and Rangareddy districts, continued to report a large number of dengue cases in the months of September and October.

The extended seasonal rains have created ideal conditions for mosquito breeding, which triggered cases of dengue in large numbers, health officials said. According to the Department of Public Health, 50 per cent to 60 per cent of dengue cases reported in the last one month across Telangana have come from urban centres, especially from the districts of Hyderabad, Medchal-Malkajgiri and Rangareddy.

"Non-stop rains have triggered viral fevers, dengue and malaria especially in urban centres. Among the seasonal diseases, 90 per cent of the ailments are viral fevers while the rest are dengue followed by malaria. Cases of dengue are high in areas under GHMC, RR and Medchal-Malkajgiri, Warangal and Khammam. Also, Mulugu

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and Bhadradri Kothagudem districts have seen a sharp rise in malaria cases," Director of Public Health (DPH) Dr G Srinivasa Rao on Monday said.

In August, there were 1,720 dengue positive cases reported in Telangana while between September and October 4, the number of dengue cases shot up to 2,500 with 60 per cent of them reported from GHMC and surrounding districts.

### Some precautions

AVOID STALE FOOD AND ALWAYS DRINK TREATED OR BOILED DRINKING WATER

- Chlorination of water storage tanks and distribution of such tablets taken-up in Hyderabad
- Test kits to diagnose fevers, malaria and dengue available at government hospitals
- If cases rise, authorities to conduct special health camps, fever OPs, and establish isolation wards

Keep surroundings clean and dry

## Rapid rise

BETWEEN JULY AND OCTOBER, TS REPORTED CLOSE TO 5000 POSITIVE DENGUE CASES

- 50 % to 60 % cases from urban centres
- Hyderabad, Medchal-Malkajgiri and Rangareddy districts have maximum dengue cases

Mulugu and Bhadradri Kothagudem have the maximum cases of malaria In Sept and Oct, there were 2500 cases in TS

Among the seasonal diseases, 90% are viral fevers while the rest are dengue followed by malaria. Cases of dengue are high in GHMC areas, RR, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Warangal and Khammam. Also, Mulugu and Bhadradri Kothagudem districts have seen a sharp rise in malaria cases

- DR G SRINIVASA RAO, Director of Public Health

"People should realise that stagnant water is the prime source for mosquito breeding. While municipal and other link departments are doing their best in conducting anti-larval measures, individual households on their part must observe dry day at least once a week and get rid of all potential breeding grounds," said Dr Rao.

Between January and June, the State received about 600 positive cases of dengue but since then the cases of surged. "Based on our past experience, we are hoping that by the end of October, seasonal ailments will start to tapper off. The symptoms of seasonal ailments and Covid are almost similar. That's why we urge people to quickly get tested for Covid-19 and later for other seasonal ailments like dengue and malaria. Quick testing and initiating treatment is important," Dr Rao said.

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