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Following an increase in the number of dengue cases in Kothamangalam taluk, surveillance teams have been pressed into service by the health department. The decision was taken at a meeting chaired by district collector S Suhas who instructed officials to begin cleaning operations in the area, after Benny (48) of Kuttampuzha died of suspected dengue.

A total of 159 suspected dengue cases were reported in the district this month while the number of confirmed cases is 54. The total number of confirmed dengue cases has been estimated at 240 (from January-August). The number of cases has been increasing steadily from June-August.

The health and sanitation department will focus around the Kothamangalam market area, including revenue tower, school, 'anganwadis', bus stand, etc, where a lot of waste has been dumped. There are about 168 shops and most of the shops have tarpaulin roof sheets. Officials said mosquitoes breed on the water collected on the sheets.

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A drain near the shops is also filled with waste and the health department has begun steps to clear it.

The police have also been asked to monitor people dumping wastes in public places. An awareness campaign has been launched with the district malaria officer informing that the peak biting period is between 7am and 6pm. Hence, all public, including students and traders who spend the day in the area should be vigilant. Antony John, MLA, has asked the health department to ensure the availability of platelets for dengue treatment.

Municipality chairperson Manju Siju said the non-functioning toilets at the municipal bus stand would be closed and new ones would be built soon. The health department said that 22 rounds of fogging was done at Kuttampuzha panchayat and 12 at Kothamangalam market.

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