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Title:	Dengue cases rise in Madurai district, Tamil Nadu			
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The number of dengue cases is witnessing a steady rise in December with as many as 22 cases having been recorded till Friday. The rise has been attributed to intermittent There were only 14 cases in November.

“Though dengue cases this year have been consistently less compared to last year, we are seeing a marginal rise now. In December, there is usually a rise in cases as there is stagnation of water due to rains, which can promote mosquito breeding,” said a senior health official.

This year, so far, after the onset of the monsoon season, only nine dengue cases were reported in Madurai district. However, in November, the total cases rose to 14 and now the number has already reached 22 in December.

Health officials said that there are no clusters as such so far and that preventive measures have also been carried out in affected areas. Dengue cases are turning up in both rural and corporation areas. Among the cases reported, there are a few cases of children getting affected as well.

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In case of children, risk of developing serious and fatal conditions due to the disease is higher. "There is a need to be vigilant and public are also urged to ensure that possible sources of mosquito breeding in and around their residences and offices are removed or cleaned," said a health official. There have been no deaths due to dengue in Madurai, both last year and this year.

As many as 1,086 DBCs are engaged in dengue preventive measures across the district. Spraying of abate solution and sprinkling of bleach powder is also carried out. Fogging is being done periodically once in 15 days to cover all areas.

Fever surveillance is also actively on for both dengue and Covid-19. Those with symptoms of dengue, which include high fever, headache, rashes, muscle and joint pain etc., are urged to immediately consult a doctor.

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