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Chikungunya cases have been on the rise, while confirmed dengue cases has been less than 100 in last four months, entomological survey conducted by the state vector-borne disease cell has found.

According to the state health department records, 2,29,224 houses have been screened for the survey which began on June 15 this year. The teams have also inspected a total of 54,032 containers which were identified as suspected breeding spots for larvae of dengue and chikungunya. A total of 26,010 containers had confirmed presence of Aedis larvae and the containers were destroyed.

Nodal officer for vector-borne disease control programme in the state, Dr S N Jha said: "A total of 77 people have tested positive for dengue out of 516 samples collected by our teams. For chikungunya, the numbers are a bit high as 107 samples out of 507

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suspected have tested positive. Our teams have destroyed more than 15,000 breeding spots and in the second part of the survey, we will take concrete steps to eliminate the breeding spots."

As per health department sources, the department is planning to impose penalty on those who are found guilty of violating norms. "Our teams have eliminated breeding spots in over 15,000 houses and we have asked them to ensure that larvaes do not get a breeding spot which are usually empty containers. We are planning to impose on-spot penalty if breeding spots are found in surveyed homes," said an official of health department.

The state health department had collaborated with the state urban development department to ensure spraying of anti larvae liquids as well as source reduction in vulnerable areas. However, residents continue to complain that RMC teams are nowhere to be seen when it comes to spraying and source reduction.

"The whole area is infested with mosquitoes. We haven't seen a single fogging or spraying team in last one month in our area," said Nilam Kumari, a Kokar resident.

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