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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Woman, 65, dies of dengue in Pilibhit district-Uttar Pradesh; first death in district this year</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU-Pilibhit, SSU-Uttar Pradesh			

A 65-year-old woman, Dibna Devi, of Naugma Pakaria village situated on the outskirts of Pilibhit city, died on Thursday morning of dengue at a private hospital here. She is the first patient to have succumbed to the vector-borne disease in the district this year.

According to the gram pradhan's husband, Dibna Devi was under treatment at Bareilly-based Clara Swain Hospital but had been shifted to a private hospital in Pilibhit after her condition deteriorated. He claimed that more than 90 villagers, including the women and children, were suffering from fever at the village. All are suspected to be afflicted with dengue.

The serology report of Dibna Devi issued by Clara Swain Hospital had revealed she had tested positive for dengue.

The deceased's husband, Ram Charan, her daughter-in-law Shakuntla Devi, daughter Rajeshwari and granddaughter Rina are also said to be suffering from dengue.

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Following her death, the medical administration has sent a specialized team to the village to take stock of the situation. Guddu Mian, husband of pradhan Phool Bi, told mediapersons that the medical administration had completely failed to take preventive measures against dengue at the village. He said that the village had the population of over 25,000 but no immunization work had been carried out to curb mosquito menace there by the authorities.

On being asked about the factual situation of dengue, the additional chief medical officer, Dr CM Chaturvedi, who is also the nodal officer for immunization programme, said the department had come to know about the death of Dibna Devi through the media.

Dr Ashwini Gupta, nodal officer for vector-borne diseases control programme in the medical department, claimed that as many as 119 suspected cases of dengue had been reported in the district over the past few months. Of these, 13 had tested positive through ELISA examination, which is the only diagnostic test for confirmation of dengue, 41 tested negative while reports of the remaining 65 cases were awaited. "As the ELISA test is not available anywhere in Pilibhit, we send blood samples of patients to Bareilly-based laboratories for clinical examination. We have also issued a letter to the district unit of the Indian Medical Council to make it mandatory for private doctors to report to the health department about all suspected dengue cases, so that the respective samples could be sent for ELISA test," said Gupta.

He further claimed that the health department had so far carried out fogging in 28 villages, larvicidal chemical spray in as many as 1,423 villages and the indoor residual spray in 110 villages as preventive steps against dengue.

Dengue is a viral illness spread by a bite of the Aedes mosquito. The mosquitoes are active during daytime. It results in high fever, headache, vomiting, muscle and joint pains, and a characteristic skin rash that appears two-five days after onset of fever. In a small number of cases, the disease develops into severe dengue, resulting in bleeding, low levels of blood platelets and blood plasma leakage, or into dengue shock syndrome, where dangerously low blood pressure occurs. Such cases may prove to be fatal. The best way to prevent dengue is to prevent mosquitoes from breeding. The Aedes mosquito breeds in clean water.

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