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Title:	Mumbai: Jump in dengue hospitalisations in August, compared to July figures, Maharashtra			
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Dengue hospitalisations have seen a significant jump in August compared to July. BMC said over 132 people required hospitalisation after they were confirmed to have dengue. In July, 28 confirmed admissions were recorded. The actual hospitalisations could be higher as not all private admissions are notified.

Most cases were reported from F south (Parel, Sewri, Naigaum), B (Dongri, Umarchadi) and H west (Bandra, Khar and Santacruz (W), civic officials said. BMC said there were no deaths because of the mosquito-borne disease. Malaria admissions remained the same since July, when 787 cases were reported. In August, 790 cases were reported.

Insecticide department said 13,15,373 houses were inspected, and 11,492 dengue breeding spots were destroyed. Dr Mangala Gomare, BMC's executive health officer, said the city usually registers a rise in dengue cases in August-September. She said

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people should not delay seeing a doctor if they have fever, headache, rashes, muscle pain and joint pain.

Dr Abhishek Subhash, consultant (internal medicine) at Bhatia Hospital, said dengue was more than last year. Many patients having fever have dengue-like symptoms with low platelets. “Although dengue tests are coming out negative in many cases. But since symptoms and presentation are akin to dengue, we are treating patients accordingly,” he said. The doctor added that 50-60% of fever cases he has treated have turned out to be dengue.

Doctors caution that the window for undergoing a dengue test was crucial too. A civic doctor said NS1 antigen test for dengue comes positive around 24 hours after onset of symptoms. There have been 3,338 malaria cases, 133 leptospirosis, 209 dengue, 1,848 gastroenteritis, 165 hepatitis and 45 H1N1 cases between January-August.

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