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The rural areas of the Kolhapur district have witnessed more dengue cases this year compared to the urban areas, health department data shows.

According to the health department, the rural areas in Kolhapur registered 110 cases dengue cases between January to May this year. During the same period, the urban areas saw around 44 cases. In June this year, 39 more cases were recorded in rural areas as against 18 cases in the urban areas.

Dilip Patil, health officer of the Kolhapur Municipal Corporation, told TOI they had started with the full-fledged surveillance of the city in order to sensitise citizens about dengue.

"In the first step, we have identified the areas that had reported maximum dengue cases. The houses in such areas will be surveyed and looked for any kind of breeding sites. By destroying the breeding places of the mosquitoes, we can stop the spread of the infection," he said.

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He added that they will also closely monitor the houses, which have reported one or two dengue cases, to look for the possible breeding places of the mosquito. He said the incubation period of dengue, after the bite of a mosquito carrying virus, is between three and fifteen days.

The symptoms may show in parts as they begin with more benign symptoms such as headache, chills, fever, pain in eyes, loss of appetite and backache. Patients can also be affected with pain in joints in the first hours of the occurrence of dengue. According to medical experts, dengue is caused by the bite of one of the many types of mosquitoes in the genus Aedes Aegypti, which has white stripes on their bodies and legs.

It is caused when the mosquito has previously bitten a person, who was infected. The pathway which is followed in case of the incidence of dengue is 'infected person to mosquito to another person'. The spread of the dengue virus cannot happen directly from one person to another. It is not contagious and cannot spread through direct human contact. Box Dengue cases in 2019 Month Rural KMC Jan to May 110 44 June 39 18

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Dengue Prevention

- *Ensure improved water storage
- *Ensure proper waste disposal
- *Strictly avoid water stagnancy
- *Wear full-sleeved clothes
- *Opt for natural mosquito repellents like marigold and lemongrass

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