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Once again some cases of dengue were reported across Steel city and many of them either undergoing treatment at Lal Bahadur Shastri Hospital Bhilai or in private hospitals as well as nursing homes. Doctors attribute burst in cases to water insufficiency and again residents storing water in open containers that serve as breeding grounds for the vector. Both children and adults have been affected, say doctors, pointing out that the disease seems to have set in earlier than usual this year.

At civil hospital of Bhilainagar, there were over 10 cases of dengue seen in last three days, said senior consultant of the hospital Dr S K Agrawal. "Most improved with out-patient care and only a few needed to be admitted to the hospital for two or three days," he said.

With water scarcity hitting the city due to sudden rise of temperature, there is a possibility that residents may have been storing water, and if the containers are not closed properly, this could have led to the breeding of dengue-causing mosquitoes, said Dr S K Banjare, consultant physician, who saw some cases in the first week of November, and has again seen a few cases this month.

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Dr S K Tripathi, general physician stated that water storage could be a factor. There have been two to three cases of dengue per day for the last few days. He and other medical experts asserted that people must ensure water is stored safely and trash is properly disposed of and does not accumulate. "The dengue mosquito is a daytime biter so residents may have to use repellents in the day too, not just at night," he added.

It is learnt that, Dengue, a mosquito-borne viral infection that causes a flu-like illness and can potentially cause fatal complications, has been a problem for public authorities in the state especially Durg-Bhilainagar from last year and it had also claimed over 54 lives in a short span of three months too in the district. In an effort to tackle the disease, the Health Department has decided to strongly focus on community awareness, especially among schools and schoolchildren as well as self-help groups. In a review meeting on vector-borne diseases, Dr S P Mandal, vector borne disease officer had noted that community awareness as well as participation were vital for the prevention of the disease and had urged all stakeholders to start awareness campaigns on preventive steps to be taken. "It is not just the job of the government, but also of the community when it comes to keeping surroundings clean. By controlling the vector, we can control dengue," pointed Dr Mandal.

In this regard, Dr G S Thakur, chief medical and health officer of the district pointed out that the focus is on overall cleanliness, proper storage of water, disposing of food waste, personal hygiene and mosquito control. This year still not big outbreak of dengue was reported and all of the suspected patients were detected in an initial stage. So they will be cured with proper medication and diet.

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