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Title:	Spurt in malaria cases, nearly 600 detected in Mumbai-Maharashtra			
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Malaria cases have shown a significant spurt in the first fortnight of the month, with nearly 600 cases being detected. The mosquito-borne disease has also caused the year's first two monsoon-related deaths, halting the city's zero malaria death record of 2019.

BMC on Tuesday said the death audit committee confirmed the recent malaria deaths of a 27-year-old from G north ward and a 40-year-old from M east ward. Both were also Covid positive. After recording 872 cases in July, the city registered 592 malaria cases between August 1-16. BMC said malaria was the only monsoon disease that has shown an increase. Gastroenteritis, hepatitis and leptospirosis continued to see fewer cases.

The 27-year-old man from G north (Mahim, Dharavi) developed fever and vomiting on July 30 after which he was hospitalised on August 2 with complaints of breathlessness, hypotension and chest pain. The person, who had a history of chronic alcoholism, had also developed inflammation of heart muscles (myocarditis). He died

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of respiratory failure a day after admission. Civic officials said the cause of death was 'plasmodium vivax malaria with multiorgan dysfunction syndrome in Covid-19'.

The second victim was a 40-year-old man from M east ward (Govandi) who too had fever and cough with expectoration on July 25. He was hospitalised after four days in Navi Mumbai before being brought to Mumbai. The audit showed breathlessness persisted in the patient throughout and he tested positive for Covid and malaria P. vivax. He died on August 4. The cause of death was 'respiratory failure with Covid-19 pneumonia with P.vivax malaria'.

A civic official said precautions must be taken to prevent breeding of mosquitoes as dengue cases rise from mid-August to September.

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