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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Suspected dengue case: 7-year-old boy dies of viral fever in Madurai district, Tamil Nadu</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Madurai, SSU-Tamil Nadu			

A 7-year-old boy died of viral hemorrhagic fever on Thursday night at a private hospital in Madurai. Though the boy had preliminarily tested positive for dengue on Wednesday at another private hospital, a district health official said that it could not be confirmed whether the boy suffered from dengue. The boy -- S Thirumalesh from S Alangulam -- was admitted to the hospital with symptoms of viral fever on Wednesday. According to the medical report from the hospital, the boy died of massive blood loss during treatment for viral haemorrhagic fever. The cause of death was mentioned as decompensated shock and pulmonary haemorrhage. Previously, before admission to the hospital on Wednesday, the boy preliminarily tested positive for dengue antigen at another private hospital lab.

"The boy did have low platelet count and other symptoms of dengue. However, an ELISA test to confirm dengue had not been done before his death. So, it cannot be declared as a dengue death," the health official said. The official however said that measures are being intensified by Madurai corporation to prevent spread of fever and dengue cases in S Alangulam area, which is a known hotspot for dengue in the city.

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