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Title:	Suspected cases of dengue and Japanese Encephalitis on the rise in district East Singhbhum, Jharkhand			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU-East Singhbhum, SSU-Jharkhand			

East Singhbhum district administration has sounded an alert in the district in view of influx of the dengue virus across the district. Sources went on to inform that one suspected cases of Japanese Encephalitis and three suspected cases of dengue have surfaced in the last 48 hours.

The health department has decided to call a meeting in a day or two of civic bodies to review preparations to deal with the situation. The meeting will be presided by East Singhbhum Civil Surgeon, with participation of civic bodies like JNAC, MNAC and Jugsalai Municipality.

An official of the Centre's Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP), who monitors the cases of vector-borne diseases in the city, said that the situation is under control but they have called a meeting to chalk strategy and also review progress made so far.

The department is taking preventive measures like coordinating with the district health department (read district malaria officer) in carrying out spraying of

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bleaching powders, DDT and anti larvicidal in affected areas identified on the basis of location of patients undergoing treatment at health centers.

However, areas like Birsangar, BaridihBustee, Carriage Colony and at certain places in Govindpur where people live in bustees in a great number drainage or sewerage system have gone hay wire.

“Heaps of garbage and filth lie unattended in our locality but there is no one to listen. A drain is over flowing nearby our complex though I went to lodge a complained at Jugsalai Municipality but despite assurances the situation remains the same. The stink and unhygienic atmosphere bothers commuters, especially pedestrians using footpaths along the roads. People inhale these particles and fell victim to various infectious diseases,” noted Mahesh Sharma of Jugsalai.

Though all the civic bodies in the city are regularly convening meetings to counter the viral attack in the city but the heaps of garbage lying unattended, dumped on roads or overflowing from garbage containers are serving as breeding grounds for the phenomenal growth of mosquitoes causing dengue virus through out the city.

Bhahadur Mardi a resident of Sundernagar opined “Dengue is a mosquito-borne infection. The Dengue viruses are transmitted to humans through the bites of infective female Aedes mosquitoes which have good concentration in municipal areas. If preventive steps are not taken in time, the spread could acquire dangerous proportion,”

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