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The number of dengue cases reported by 150-odd hospitals in the city have shown no respite this year too. In February alone, 23 cases were reported, which follows the exact trend reported in February 2020, when 24 cases were reported. However, what is worrying municipal health officials are the chikungunya cases. Since January this year, 78 chikungunya cases were reported. Of this, 20 were reported in February alone.

In the whole of last year 1,754 chikungunya cases were reported, while 923 cases were reported in 2020.

Both dengue and chikungunya are caused by the Aedes Aegypti mosquitoes.

On the other hand, malaria cases in the city have witnessed a steep fall. Since January this year, Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation health officials claim that some 6 malaria cases were reported, of which just two malaria were reported in February alone. Between January and December last year, 987 malaria cases had been reported, claim AMC officials.



In the case of water-borne diseases, 68 cases of typhoid and 83 jaundice cases were reported from the city. "Jaundice cases rose in the first two months this year with 225 cases. For the whole of last year some 1,439 cases were registered, while 664 jaundice cases were registered in 2020," says a senior municipal health official.

No cholera cases were reported till February 26 this year, claims AMC. The civic body will launch a disease surveillance programme this year among institutions and educational institutions. Apart from hospitals, schools also will have to report the status of students' health annually or monthly whenever a health check-up is conducted on their premises.

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