

GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY DELHI DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION: SCHOOL BRANCH OLD SECRETARIAT: DELHI-110054

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Sub: Prevention and Control of Vector Borne Diseases (Dengue, Chikungunya & Malaria).

The rainy season is most conducive for vector borne diseases like Dengue, Chikungunya & Malaria which spread during this time every year. These are all mosquito generated diseases and sometimes gain epidemic proportions if preventive measures are not taken. Prevention is the best method to control any disease. In order to control and prevent the outbreak of Dengue, Chikungunya & Malaria, it is essential to prevent breeding of mosquitoes and students should be made aware of this.

In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic all the schools are closed for students and hence all the Heads of Govt., Govt. Aided and Unaided Recognized Schools under Directorate of Education, GNCT Delhi are hereby directed to utilize the facility of social media / mass message facility, e-mail etc. to share the below given awareness instructions with the students to follow at home:-

- To avoid mosquito bites wear full-sleeved clothing and use mosquito repellents. Put wire mesh on doors and windows to prevent entry of mosquitoes.
- Cover all water tanks and containers with well fitted lids to prevent breeding of mosquitoes.
- Empty, scrub and dry the room coolers every week before refilling to prevent breeding of mosquitoes. Paint the insides of coolers before use.
- All unused containers, junk materials, tyres, coconut shells etc. should be properly disposed off.
- Change water in flower vases, plant pots, bird pots every week to prevent mosquito breeding.
- · Cover the toilet seat if going out of home for more than a week.
- Use bed net at home and hospital during dengue fever to prevent mosquito bite and to interrupt transmission. Use aerosol, vaporizers (coils/mats) during day time.
- Don't allow water to stagnate in and around houses.

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The Heads of Schools may also depute class teacher/any assigned teacher to share the awareness instructions with all the students through e-learning/online platforms being used by them.

Further, the below given action plan to be followed to prevent and control vector borne diseases in school premises:-

- Nodal Officer to be appointed in each school who will be responsible for all the activities related to prevention and control of Vector Borne Diseases and monitor the activities being carried out.
- To display the Name, address, contact no. / mobile no. etc. of Nodal Officer for Vector Borne Diseases on the Notice Board.
- Observance of Dry Day once in a week in all schools (preferably on last working day) during which coolers, flower pots, bird pots, water containers, any scrap, stagnant water and other possible breeding sites to be checked thoroughly for ensuring no possibility of mosquito breeding.
- Comprehensive awareness campaign to be made for staff members in schools about prevention and control of Vector Borne Diseases.
- Display of Do's & Don'ts on the Notice Board and other prominent places in the school premises (copy enclosed).
- To ensure that school premises are mosquito free.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Encl: As above

DDE (SCHOOL)

All Heads of Govt., Govt. Aided & Unaided Recognized Schools under DoE through DEL-E.

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Copy to:-

- 1. PS to Pr. Secretary (Education).
- 2. PA to Director (Education).
- 3. All RDEs, DDEs (District/Zone) to ensure compliance.
- System Analyst (MIS) for uploading on MIS.
- 5. Guard file.

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DO's and DON'TS for Dengue, Chikungunya & Malaria

DO's	DON'TS
Cover all water tanks and containers with well fitted lids to prevent breeding of mosquitoes.	Do not keep water containers open as they can attract mosquitoes to breed.
Empty, scrub and dry the room coolers every week before refilling to prevent breeding of mosquitoes. Paint the insides of coolers before use.	Don't use the old grass of cooler in the next season and properly dispose off the same.
All unused containers, junk materials, tyres, coconut shells etc. should be properly disposed off.	Don't throw broken utensils, unused bottles, tins, old tyres and other junks in open as Aedes mosquitoes breed in these objects.
Change water in flower vases, plant pots, bird pots every week to prevent mosquito breeding.	Don't allow water to stangnate in and around houses.
Cover the toilet seat if going out of home for more than a week.	Don't insist for hospitalization in case of fever unless advised by a doctor.
To avoid mosquito bites wear full-sleeved clothing and use mosquito repellents. Put wire mesh on doors and windows to prevent entry of mosquitoes.	Do not allow children to wear short sleeved clothes and play in water puddles and stagnant water bodies.
Use bed net at home and hospital during dengue fever to prevent mosquito bite and to interrupt tansmission. Use aerosol, vaporizers (Coils/Mats) during day time.	Do not create panic. Dengue, Chikungunya and Malaria are treatable.