

**CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY HEALTH**

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**PRESS-RELEASE
(Cases of acute Fever, Malaria/Dengue)**

Considering delayed rain during the last month of September this year, all sort of preventive and punitive measures are being taken to control vector borne diseases. The measure includes:

- i. Awareness & education programmes at different locations in the city
- ii. Fogging and Spray at public/private places in co-ordination with the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh
- iii. Checking and inspection of vulnerable places
- iv. Notices /Show Cause Notices and Challans/Fines upon the Private and Government premises

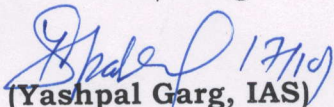
2. Because of all sort of efforts, we could succeed to a great extent, in containing number of confirmed cases of Malaria/Dengue in the City. However, the number of patients in the hospitals have suddenly increased manifolds because of patients from the adjoining areas. For an example, in GMCH-32- there are 126 patients of acute fever with thrombocytopenia and 38 patients of Dengue out of which only 25 patients and 08 patients respectively are from UT Chandigarh. Similarly out of 90 admissions in the GMSH-16 during the last two days, only 18 patients are the residents of UT Chandigarh.

3. According to Doctors, most of the patients from the adjoining areas are non-critical and could have been treated there itself. Accordingly, the authorities of the adjoining States are being requested not to send non-critical patients so that sufficient space and better care is available for the critical patients in GMSH-16 and GMCH-32. However, to cope up with the rush, the COVID wards have already been opened for the patients of Fever/Malaria/Dengue. Further the COVID Hospital at Sector-48 is also being opened from Monday for the patients of acute Fever/Malaria/Dengue.

4. Here it is clarified that we have sufficient stock of all the required medicines and kits etc. There is no need of worry on that account. Each of the aspect is being closely monitored and it is expected that the number of cases will get reduced in the coming week.

5. All the residents are requested to:

- To ensure that there is no stagnant water in/around their premises.
- To use mosquito repellants/coils, mosquito nets and ointment etc
- To cover themselves with wear full sleeves clothes
- To contact the Helpline Line No. 7626002036 for issues related to Malaria/Dengue.


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