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Title:	200 cases of chikungunya reported in Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh			
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The numbers of dengue and chikungunya cases are rising in Ghaziabad every day. Till Saturday, 24 more confirmed cases of chikungunya have been reported, while five more patients tested positive for dengue. According to health department officials, the total number of confirmed chikungunya cases reached 208 while confirmed dengue cases stood at 133 till Saturday. The number includes two suspected chikungunya death of Ghaziabad residents in Delhi hospitals.

The chikungunya figure crossed the 100 mark earlier this week. Officials from the health department of the municipal corporation said they are carrying out regular fogging exercise. Five trucks are used for fogging in every city zone during the day and a truck each is used in all five zones in the evening.

"One truck can spread nearly 200 litres of anti-larvae pesticide during a 50-minute fogging exercise while a cycle-mounted machine can spread nearly 5 litres of the pesticide in 40 minutes. These preventive measures are being carried out due to an increase in the number of cases of dengue and chikungunya," said Dr RK Yadav, city health officer, Ghaziabad municipal corporation. However, with so many cases being reported in the city, residents say they are not relying only on government agencies for fogging.

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"Nearly 70 highrises have either hired private agencies or have purchased fogging machines. Fogging is done regularly. For my apartment, we bought an automatic fogging machine for Rs.40,000. Private agencies charge Rs. 25000 a week for fogging," said DK Maurya, president, federation of apartment owners' association and a resident of Niho Scottish Garden, Indirapuram.

Residents, meanwhile, said they have also undertaken other activities to prevent dengue and chikungunya cases. "We have set up health checkup camps and also roped in doctors, including homoeopathic practitioners. We also get our employees and domestic helps checked," said Alok Kumar from Arihant Harmony.

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