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A student of Spring Dale College died last week of high fever, suspectedly dengue, at KGMU. Private labs confirmed dengue but district health officials did not verify it, saying confirmation needs to come from a government lab.

Several patients have died recently of high grade fever in the city and health department has not addressed the issue, leading to widespread panic. Experts said every such case should be recorded, cause diagnosed and a treatment protocol be implemented.

In TOI's reality check drive conducted all through the week, people from various localities said that there have been number of high grade fever cases, including few deaths in their areas, many of which were diagnosed as dengue by private labs. "My driver's wife died after being turned away by three hospitals as they had no space. I wonder if health department is counting such cases," said Mohammad Bilal Khan, university teacher, resident of IET campus, Jankipuram.

Chief medical officer Dr SNS Yadav said, "We are recording patients with dengue only if certified by government labs but cannot record every death."

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Experts described the cases as of 'Pyrexia of Unknown Origin' (PUO) or 'Fever of Unknown Origin' and said health department has means to record high fever cases, diagnose and implement treatment protocol. They said at least cases being reported in private and government hospitals can be recorded and diagnosed properly.

"There should be proper diagnosis of high fever cases and if dengue is not confirmed, there needs to be blood test and urine culture," said Dr Vineeta Mittal, head of microbiology department, Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences. Dr Gurmeet Singh, ex-medical superintendent of KGMU hospital said there set procedures to address PUO cases. Authorities should act fast before situation goes out of control.

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