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Title:	Alarming rise in dengue cases in 1 month in Patna, Bihar			
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With 102 new cases registered in the state, including 82 in Patna alone, in the past 24 hours, dengue threat looms large over the majority of population in and around the state capital.

State programme officer of health department, Dr Vinay Sharma, on Thursday said altogether 1,838 cases of confirmed dengue fever have been reported from across the state since January, including 1,076 in Patna alone.

The spike in dengue cases was almost over ten times in the last four weeks, he said.

While the number of dengue cases reported in the state on September 2 was 160, it jumped to 1838 on Thursday.

Ascribing the reason behind it, Dr Sharma said sporadic rain and accumulation of rainwater in small pits, open sewerage chambers, empty vessels and containers

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dumped on rooftops and used tyres with water abandoned around prove ideal places for breeding of the mosquitoes carrying dengue virus.

“Though municipal bodies and health department are carrying out their preventive exercises, public awareness and their involvement too counted much to check this serious health issue,” he said, adding that directions have been issued to all districts to identify the hotspots and carry out fumigation and other measures to eliminate eggs and larvae of the vectors, Aedes mosquitoes.

Patna civil surgeon Dr KK Roy said, “Suburban areas of Patna like Maner, Daniyavan, Danapur and Sampatchak had also one case each on Thursday.”

He said, “The dengue hotspots identified in Patna are Kankarbagh, Azimabad, Bhikhnaphadi, Patna City, Alamganj and Bankipur. The health department teams were carrying out fogging in 500 metres radius of identified hotspots besides spraying of larvicide there.”

Dr Roy appealed to people to keep their surroundings clean and ensure no accumulated water even for a day as it could provide favourable environment to mosquitoes to grow.

Five new dengue patients were admitted in Patna Medical College Hospital (PMCH) on Thursday. Total 15 patients are undergoing treatment in the dengue ward there.

Three children admitted in the dengue ward of Nalanda Medical College Hospital (NMCH) were discharged after recovery on Wednesday.

IGIMS superintendent Dr Manish Mandal said eight dengue patients, including three new ones admitted on Thursday, were undergoing treatment. Total samples tested at IGIMS on Thursday were 76 of which 39 were found positive for dengue. Mandal admitted that there was a rapid increase in dengue positivity in the last two months.

Director of LNJP superspeciality hospital, Dr Subhash Chandra, said: “Though there was no admission of anyone, long queues of patients with viral fever could be seen at the hospital's OPDs every day.”

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