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The lull in the recent spell of rains has unleashed a barrage of dengue fevers in the city. With small puddles and stagnant water in different parts of the city providing perfect breeding ground for mosquitoes, health experts and doctors said there has been a sudden spike in dengue cases. Outpatient wings in private and government hospitals are chock-a-block with patients and as per official records, Hyderabad has reported 120 new cases of dengue in the first seven days of August out of the 182 cases recorded across the state.

Hyderabad accounts for 70% of dengue cases recorded in the state currently. Telangana recorded 360 cases of which Hyderabad accounted for 164 cases last month - 46% of overall cases.

Dr M Karuna said that there were more dengue cases than last year but were mostly reported in the OP departments. She said ICU admissions and platelet transfusions are few. "This pattern in dengue repeats every 3-4 years as we are witnessing this year. Immediately after a heavy spell of rainfall, small puddles, potholes and water

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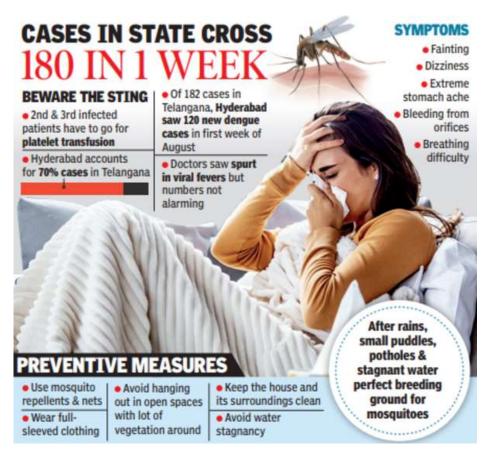


accumulated in tyres, flower pots, among others are the perfect breeding ground for mosquitoes," she explained.

At the state-run Fever Hospital, which is the largest tertiary care centre for these cases, a spurt in viral fevers has been reported. "There is a slight increase although the numbers are not alarming. There were 1-2 admissions also," said Dr K Shankar, superintendent, Fever Hospital.

The dengue-causing aedes aegypti mosquitoes can even breed in clean moist spaces unlike malaria-causing mosquitoes, a health expert said. Also, dengue-causing mosquitoes are essentially day biters and can breed inside homes, in clean kitchen utensils and just about any moist space.

"Cases are likely to rise further up till September, following which the incidence will come down," the expert said.



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