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Title:	Meerut reports its 1st scrub typhus case, dengue cases cross 100-mark, Uttar Pradesh			
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Meerut reported its first case of scrub typhus. A 60-year-old woman, recently admitted in Ghaziabad hospital, was diagnosed with the bacterial disease which spreads to humans through bites of infected chiggers [larval mites].

The dengue cases in the city, meanwhile, have crossed the 100-mark. Twelve new cases were reported on Wednesday.

The total dengue count in Meerut has now reached 134. The first dengue case in Meerut was reported on August 18. The health department claimed that among the 134 cases, 75 are active while the rest of the patients have recovered and been discharged.

Divisional surveillance officer, Dr Ashok Tayal, told TOI that the case of scrub typhus was reported from Ghaziabad and the patient is undergoing treatment.

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“We are taking her status report daily. She is doing fine. Her family got her admitted in Ghaziabad hospital after she complained of a prolonged fever and fatigue,” he added.

The chief medical officer (CMO), Dr Akhilesh Mohan, has issued a high alert in all the government and private hospitals to ensure proper reporting and treatment of viral cases.

“To combat the rising infection, we have started a campaign where we are visiting every household and asking people about any recent symptoms of fever and also dengue-like symptoms. We have formed 1,800 teams to conduct larva surveys in 7.5 lakh houses in the city. Our target is to cover at least each home by the weekend,” the CMO said.

The health department maintained that apart from government and private hospitals, even the CHCs and PHCs have been asked to remain on alert and do proper reporting of fever cases.

“Even people should behave responsibly and report their symptoms to doctors, especially if they have a prolonged fever. They must avoid self-medication,” he said.

"We also request the residents to cooperate with our surveillance teams and let them do the survey properly," the CMO added.

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