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| Title:                          | Epidemic situation alarming- 2 dengue, 400 cold-cough and fever cases reported in Rajkot, Gujarat |                   |                   |   |
| Action By<br>CSU, IDSP<br>–NCDC | Information communicated to DSU – Rajkot, SSU- Gujarat  |                   |                   |   |

The epidemic in Rajkot city is continuously increasing due to rainy weather. In which there is an increase in the cases of dengue and malaria, especially due to the increase in mosquito-borne diseases, 2 cases of dengue have been reported for the second consecutive week. Although no case of malaria has been recorded in the records of the municipality, but in addition to 400 cases of cold-cough and fever, 184 more cases of diarrhea-vomiting have been reported in the health department and the operation of insecticides and fogging has been started to prevent mosquito-borne epidemics. The health department has also appealed to the people to take precautions not to eat outside food and to take various measures to prevent mosquito infestation.

#### The risk of spreading the disease is high

According to the health official Dengue, Aedes, mosquito bites more people during the day time and simultaneously and the risk of spreading such diseases is high in densely populated places. However, the mosquito's life cycle is short and reproduction is fast, so it spreads very quickly in a short time. Especially in urban areas, lack of cleanliness, lack of hygiene, and human carelessness increase the breeding of

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mosquitoes due to the fact that clean water containers are easily available for mosquitoes to breed. Due to this, continuous efforts are being made by the Rajkot Municipal Corporation's health system to control diseases like dengue, malaria, chikungunya etc.

Efforts are being made by the Rajkot Municipal Corporation to address the public health challenge posed by the epidemic, **including fogging in 1102 households.** Under vector control operation, 56 Malaria Field Workers, 415 Urban ASHA and 115 VBD Volunteers have carried out disinfection in 58,956 houses between 07th and 13th August and necessary works including fogging have been done in 1102 houses. Vehicle mountain fogging machine fogging operation is done in the area where mosquito density is high. In which notices were given to 398 residential and 58 commercial Assamese due to mosquito breeding in various areas.

### Necessary Tips to Prevent Dengue-Malaria

- Keep water cement tanks, syntex tanks, barrels, caraba and other containers filled with water airtight. If there is no air-tight lid, keep it covered with an air-tight cloth.
- Regularly empty and clean the drinking troughs and troughs for animals every week.
- Regularly emptying and scrubbing the water of freezer trays, mats, coolers, pots, bird cages etc. -

Disposing of unnecessary canisters, tires, scraps at proper place

- Disposing of water accumulated in agashi, chhajja
- Disposing of excess water accumulated in plant troughs
- Wear clothing that covers the body throughout the day as dengue mosquitoes bite during the day.

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