

## Proceedings of the Director of School Education, Chennai-6

Present: Dr.S.Kannappan

**R.C.No. 05315/ M / S1 / 2019, Dated. 25 .10.2019**

Sub: School Education – Dengue awareness and preventive measures- Fever cases in Schools – Preparatory and Prevention activities to control dengue and other communicable diseases -To take Immediate Action-Reg.

Ref: 1. Proceedings of Director of School Education  
RC.No.53315/M/S1/2019 Dated: 02.08.2019,  
12.09.2019, 23.09.2019 and 13.10.2019.  
2. Letter from Principal Secretary, School Education  
Department, Secretariat, R.C.No.26983/SE5(2)2019-1  
Dated: 17.10.2019.

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In the reference letter 1<sup>st</sup> cited above, instructions have already been given regarding Dengue awareness and action to be taken to prevent Dengue fever. In continuation to that there are Clustering of fever cases including dengue are noticed in schools in Dharmapuri, Tiruvallur, Tirunelveli, Kanchipuram and Chennai districts.

Furthermore on inspection by Entomologists / DDHS it is found that Aedes mosquito breeding sources are present in cement tanks, buckets, water drums in toilets, Sintex tanks, broken containers, school building construction sites and construction sites/scraps near the schools. Chief Educational Officers of the above-mentioned districts are requested to instruct all school Headmasters/Headmistresses to ensure that there are no breeding sources in and around their schools.

In the reference letter 2<sup>nd</sup> cited above, all the District Chief Educational Officers are hereby directed to take the following measures at the earliest:

- (i) **To administer “Nilavembu” to all school students.**
- (ii) **All dilapidated buildings or other structures should be removed from the premises of schools without any delay as these structures could be the potential breeding ground for Aedes aegypti (Dengue) mosquito. A list of old and dilapidated buildings to the District Collectors immediately and follow it up closely with the respective authorities. A chart for the regular cleaning in every school should be sent to submitted to the District Collectors.**
- (iii) **There shall be a mass cleaning exercise on every Saturday in all school premises to remove debris and legacy dumps.**

- (iv) To sensitize students on cleanliness and appoint "Cleanliness Ambassadors" for schools. The students studying in Class IX and higher Standard shall be sensitized on the preventive measures against dengue and other communicable diseases with the help of trained health workers so as to take the message to their home and neighborhood.
- (v) Detailed instruction must be given to all the Headmasters to ensure there is no water stagnation, waste particles, coconut shells or any other unusable things on the Roof Top of School Buildings. Photos of the Rooftop must be sent to District Chief Educational officers for action taken report. These reports may be consolidated and sent to the Director of School Education on weekly basis.
- (vi) School children infected with continuous fever for five days or more must be advised and counseled to visit nearby hospital and must be advised to consult doctor for Medication at the earliest.
- (vii) Necessary instructions and guidance regarding Dengue, Chikungunya, Malaria and Viral Influenza must be given during Morning Prayer and also special instructions for all the teachers to counsel the students about the above diseases.

An action taken report on the matter above stated may have to be sent to Directorate of School Education within a week.

District Chief Educational Officers, District Educational Officers and Block Level officials with the support of local bodies and public health field staff must coordinate to follow the measures that are mentioned above.

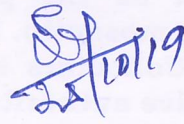
Once again, all the District Chief Educational Officers, District Educational Officers and Block Development officers are directed to ensure safety of school children & necessary instructions must be given to all school Headmasters/Headmistresses in your jurisdiction.

  
**Director of School Education**

**To**  
All District Chief Educational Officers  
All District Educational Officers  
All Block Development Officers

**Copy to:**

- 1) The Principal Secretary to Government,  
School Education Department,  
Secretariat, Chennai-9 - Submitted for kind information.
- 2) Directorate of Elementary Education  
D.P.I campus College Road,  
Chennai-06 - for information.

  
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