

Department of Disease Control

Weekly Disease Forecast No.164_Dengue (10 -16 June 2018)

From the national disease surveillance system, the Department of Disease Control (DDC) revealed 14,973 dengue cases with 19 deaths during 1 January - 5 June 2018. Most of the cases occurred in age groups 10-14 years, 5-9 years and 15-24 years respectively.

Students accounted for 46.28% while employees were 18.83% of dengue patients. The highest incidence rates were in the southern (37.18 per 100,000 population), the central, the northern and the northeastern regions respectively.



This week disease forecast reveals a continue trend of dengue occurrence as there will be more mosquito breeding sites during this rainy season. It is noted with concern that the incidence rates of April and May were respectively 46% and 33% higher than the medians of the past 5 years. More than 10,000 dengue cases per month are likely to occur during June to September.

The Department of Disease Control (DDC) therefore advises all people to protect themselves and their children from mosquito bites. All must routinely eliminate mosquito breeding sites using the measure “3 Do’s to prevent 3 diseases (dengue, chikungunya and Zika virus)”, i.e. 1) cover water-storage containers, change water in small containers every 7 days and eliminate all mosquito breeding sites; 2) dispose garbage properly; and 3) keep houses tidy without any corners suitable for mosquitoes to rest.

DDC also emphasizes that strong and continuous participation from all people, communities and agencies using the above measure is a key success factor for prevention and control of dengue and other vector-borne diseases.

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