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## CIRCULAR

**Sub:** TNTEU - Affiliated Colleges - Higher Education - Public Health - Vector-Borne Diseases - Prevention and Control of Dengue and Other Vector-Borne Diseases - Maintenance of College and Hostel Premises Free from Mosquito Breeding Sources and Other VBD Risk Factors - Instructions – Issued -Reg.

**Ref:**
1. Letter R No. 3426088/VCII/S2/2026, dated 12.10.2026 from the Director, Directorate of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Chennai -06.
2. Letter No. 1665/A1/2026-1, dated 16.10.2026, from the Deputy Secretary to Government, Higher Education (A1) Department, Secretariat, Chennai – 9.

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In accordance with the instructions issued by the Deputy Secretary to Government Higher Education (A1) Department, in the reference 2, all affiliated Colleges of Education are hereby instructed to take necessary measures to prevent and control dengue and other vector-borne diseases within their respective college and hostel premises.

Hence, all the Principals of Affiliated Colleges of Education are requested to ensure strict compliance with the instructions in reference 1 and take necessary preventive measures on a regular basis to maintain a safe and healthy environment in their respective institutions.

03/11/26
**REGISTRAR i/c**

**Encl: As above.**

**To:**

The Principal,
All the Affiliated Colleges of Education,
Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University.

Higher Education (A1) Department,
Secretariat, Chennai-9.

**Letter No.1665/A1/2026 - 1, Dated.16.10.2026.**

From
Tmt. C. Senthamizh, M.Sc., B.Ed.,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To
The Commissioner of Collegiate Education, Chennai – 15. (w.e)
The Director of Technical Education, Chennai – 25. (w.e)
The Registrars of all Universities
under the aegis of Higher Education Department. (w.e)

Sir / Madam,

Sub: Higher Education – Public Health – Vector Borne Diseases – Prevention and control of Dengue and other Vector Borne Diseases – Maintenance of Colleges and hostel premises free from mosquito breeding sources and other VBD risk factors instruction – Communicated - Regarding.

Ref: From the Director, Directorate of Public Health and Preventive Medicine Letter no : 3426088/VCII/S2/2026 dated: 12.10.2026

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I am directed to enclose a copy of the reference cited above for your information and to follow the instructions contained therein.

Yours faithfully,

16/10/26.

for Deputy Secretary to Government

16.10.26.

**DIRECTORATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE**

From
The Director of Public Health
and Preventive Medicine
No.359, Anna Salai,
Teynampet,
Chennai-6

To

1. The Additional Chief Secretary to Government,
Higher Education Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai-9

2. The Secretary to Government,
School Education Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai-9




R No: 3426088/VCII/S2/2026, Date: 12.10.2026,

Sir/Madam,

Sub : Public Health – Vector Borne Diseases – Prevention and control of Dengue and other Vector Borne Diseases – Maintenance of schools, colleges and hostel premises free from mosquito breeding sources and other VBD risk factors – Instructions – Regarding.

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I invite your kind attention to the subject cited.

Dengue and other Vector Borne Diseases continue to pose a public health concern, particularly during and following the monsoon period. Educational institutions, including schools, colleges, universities and student hostels, accommodate large numbers of students and staff and therefore require continuous attention to prevent mosquito breeding and transmission of Vector Borne Diseases.

It is observed that potential Aedes breeding sources may develop in and around educational institution premises due to accumulation of water in discarded containers, tyres, drums, buckets, overhead tanks, open water storage containers, flower pots, trays, roof gutters, construction materials, solid waste and other water-holding receptacles. In addition, poorly maintained drains, vegetation, solid waste accumulation and stagnant water may create favourable environmental conditions for other vectors.

In view of the above, I request that the following measures may kindly be communicated to all educational institutions under the administrative control of the School Education Department and Higher Education Department, including schools, colleges, universities, residential schools and hostels:

1. All school, college and hostel premises shall be maintained **free from mosquito breeding sources** and shall be inspected regularly by the concerned institution authorities.
2. A weekly **special intensified source reduction drive** may be conducted in all educational institutions for identifying and eliminating water stagnation and potential Aedes breeding sources in classrooms, laboratories, toilets, hostels, kitchens, dining halls, playgrounds, terraces, gardens, parking areas and other premises.
3. All water storage containers, overhead tanks and sumps shall be properly covered and maintained to prevent mosquito entry.
4. Discarded tyres, coconut shells, plastic containers, bottles, cups, cans, trays and other water-holding articles shall be removed or disposed of properly without allowing accumulation of rainwater.

5. Roof gutters, rainwater harvesting structures, drains and other water collection points shall be inspected and cleaned regularly to prevent stagnation.
6. Construction sites and renovation areas within the institution premises shall be monitored to ensure that construction materials and containers do not become breeding sources.
7. Hostel premises shall receive special attention, particularly water storage areas, bathrooms, terraces, gardens, waste disposal areas and other common facilities.
8. Adequate arrangements shall be made for proper solid waste management, including daily removal of discarded containers and other potential breeding sources.
9. The institution authorities shall ensure that surrounding premises and vacant areas are also periodically inspected and necessary preventive measures taken in coordination with the concerned local body.
10. Students and staff shall be regularly sensitised on Dengue prevention, particularly on identifying Aedes breeding sources, preventing water stagnation and maintaining mosquito-free surroundings.
11. Any student or staff member presenting with fever or other symptoms suggestive of a Vector Borne Disease shall be advised to **seek early medical attention through the nearest Government health facility.**
12. The Heads of Institutions shall designate a nodal person for monitoring environmental sanitation and mosquito breeding prevention and shall ensure periodic review of compliance.
13. Wherever mosquito breeding is identified, immediate source reduction and necessary vector control measures shall be undertaken in coordination with the concerned Health Department/local body authorities.
14. Routine fogging shall be adopted. Priority shall be given to elimination of breeding sources, environmental management and personal protection measures. Fogging/adult mosquito control may be undertaken as per public health requirements and the advice of the competent health authorities.
15. During the North East Monsoon and other periods of increased rainfall, intensified surveillance shall be undertaken to identify and eliminate newly generated breeding sources.

I request that necessary instructions may kindly be issued to all concerned authorities under the School Education and Higher Education Departments to ensure strict implementation of the above measures and to maintain all educational institution and hostel premises mosquito-free and conducive to prevention of Dengue and other Vector Borne Diseases.

The cooperation of both Departments is solicited for strengthening inter-sectoral coordination and preventing Vector Borne Disease transmission among students, teaching and non-teaching staff.

Yours faithfully,

15/10/26

for Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Chennai -06.

15/10/26

Copy Submitted to,

1. The Secretary to Government,
   Health and Family Welfare Department,
   Secretariat, Chennai-9.