

Department of Disease Control Weekly Disease Forecast No.81_Dengue (31 October – 6 November 2016)

From the national disease surveillance system, during 1 January to 24 October 2016, there were 50,856 dengue cases (77.73 per 100,000 population) of which 44 died.

It was noted with concern that 50% of the death cases were admitted quite late, i.e. after three days of illness. It was found also that there were 4 dengue deaths during last week (24 - 30 October 2016).



This week disease forecast reveals a continue occurrence trend of dengue cases as raining lasts longer than usual this year.

The Department of Disease Control (DDC) recommends that a patient who has high grade fever (more than 38.5 degree Celsius) and does not have specific symptoms of other diseases, seek a medical care at a hospital urgently. The patient will receive diagnosis to rule out dengue, proper treatment , as well as medical advice.



DDC also encourages the public to protect themselves well from mosquito bites and do a weekly elimination of mosquito breeding sites in and around their houses using the measures called “3 Do’s to prevent 3 Diseases (dengue, chikungunya, and Zika virus)”. The public therefore should 1. empty or change water in small containers every 7 days or cover water-storage containers to keep them mosquito-proof, 2. dispose garbages properly, and 3. keep houses tidy routinely.

For queries or additional information, please call DDC hotline 1422.

