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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Dengue hits Assam early, 300 cases reported</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU- Karbi Anglong, SSU- Assam			

Assam is witnessing a surge in dengue cases early this year, with more than 300 cases of the vector-borne disease reported so far. In the meanwhile, two Japanese Encephalitis (JE) deaths have also been reported, state health department sources said. The two JE deaths have been reported from Dhemaji and Lakhimpur districts. The recent JE death was that of a three-year-old child from Lakhimpur, who was also suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis. So far, 42 JE cases have been confirmed this season.

While most of the dengue cases were earlier reported between October and December, the source said this year, dengue started taking a toll in several districts from June, even before the onset of monsoon. July to September is considered the peak season of JE but cases were reported from June as well, even as the health department did not make the vector-borne diseases menace public.

A total of 317 dengue cases were confirmed in the state till Monday night. Karbi Anglong has reported the highest number of cases, followed by 22 dengue cases from Kamrup (Metro) district, 20 from Kamrup and 11 each from Jorhat and Barpeta districts. Ten cases have also been reported from Dima Hasao.

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“More than half the dengue cases (170) have been reported from Karbi Anglong district where the health department had declared a dengue outbreak last year. This year as well, the situation seems to be alarming in Karbi Anglong though the normal peak season for dengue is still far away. The awareness campaigns failed to create an impact in urban areas in Karbi Anglong,” a source said. Schools and colleges were closed in Karbi Anglong district headquarters of Diphu last year when dengue menace gripped the town in November.

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