

Republic of the Philippines

Department of Education

Region XII Schools Division Office of Tacurong City

June 1, 2023

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

SGOD No. 43, s. 2023

JUNE AS DENGUE FEVER AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

TO:

Asst. Schools Division Superintendent

Chiefs, CID and SGOD

Cluster Heads School Heads Clinic-in-Charge

Elementary and Secondary Schools (Public)

This Division

- 1. Whereas Dengue fever, an endemic disease in the Philippines, commonly affects children and causes school absenteeism due to illness and economic burden.
- 2. Whereas the cases of dengue in the country typically increases during rainy season due to the proliferation of mosquito breeding sites.
- 3. Whereas by virtue of the Proclamation 1204 series of 1998, June of every year is celebrated as the National Dengue Awareness month in the country.
- 4. Anent this, the Health and Nutrition Services Section of this Division encourages the Schools and this office to observe dengue preventive measures suggested by the Department of Health.
- 5. Hereunder are the DOH's preventive guidelines for the spread of Dengue virus:
 - 5.1 Observe the enhanced 4S Strategy:
 - S earch and destroy mosquito breeding areas
 - S eek early consultation when signs and symptoms of dengue occur
 - S elf protection measures from mosquito bite
 - **S ay "Yes to Fogging" only** as a last resort when there is an impending outbreak.



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5.2 Schools shall observe the **4 O' Clock habbit** which seeks to enjoin the communities to take time to weed out dengue breeding sites at 4 p.m.:

STOP – Drop everything at 4 O'clock in the afternoon to shift focus to mosquito control.

LOOK - Search for possible mosquito breeding sites like stagnant water in broken pots or receptacles.

LISTEN – Stay updated on bulletins or instructions from local government units or community heads about the ongoing measures being done and how you can help or participate.

- 5.3 Observe the **OOTD** (**Outfit Of The Day**) for **4 O'Clock Habbit** such as wearing of long-sleeved shirts, long pants, closed shoes and applying of mosquito repellents.
- 6. For proper guidance and widest dissemination.

Schools Division Superintendent

Enclosures: none References: Proclamation 1204 s. 1998, Healthy Pilipinas: Dengue (Last updated May 30, 2023) Allotment: NONE

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