

HEALTH SECRETARY REVIEWS STATE EFFORTS IN
COMBATTING VECTOR BORNE DISEASES

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Shri Arun Kumar Mishra, IAS, Secretary of Health, chaired a meeting of the State Level Committee for Vector Borne Diseases and the State Task Force for Malaria Elimination at Conference Hall of DHS [today](#) in the city.

Dr. Kalpana Mahatme, State Programme Officer and Deputy Director of National Vector Borne Diseases Control Programme, presented an overview of the current situation, preparedness, and various prevention and control activities for vector-borne diseases and malaria elimination, as well as data on filaria elimination.

According to the data, the State reported 1,701 suspected cases of dengue as of [June 2024](#), with 177 confirmed cases. For chikungunya, there were 195 suspected cases and 2 confirmed cases.

Dr. Mahatme discussed various strategies implemented for preventing dengue and chikungunya, including source reduction drives, house-to-house visits, fever surveys, anti-larval measures, and fogging operations.

Shri Arun Kumar Mishra invited suggestions from various departments on how to prevent and control vector-borne diseases and directed the concerned members to implement actions based on these suggestions.

The meeting was also attended by Dr. Rupa Kamat, Deputy Director ,DHS along with other government officials.

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