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Eliminating the Dengue Menace

Under the National Program for Eradicating Dengue Menace, the Presidential Task Force on Dengue Prevention has taken a decision to launch a Shramadana campaign with the participation of all public officers on 2nd and 9th August 2010 between 3.15 p.m to 4.15 p.m to clean up the possible breeding sites of mosquitoes that spread dengue and other diseases, that may exist within the premises of all public institutions and surrounding areas.

02) Accordingly, inspections should be carried out to find any possible breeding sites of mosquitoes and action should be taken to keep those places in a highly clean and dry condition whilst apprising the staff of the necessity of keeping the working environment clean. Since it is highly necessary to destroy the breeding sites of dengue mosquitoes in order to eradicate dengue menace, importance of the attention and dedication of public servants' towards this should be emphasized and action should be taken to cover the roads, by-roads, playgrounds and other common places outside the premises, without confining to their service stations.

03) As already been declared by the Ministry of Health through media, the staff of each public institution should implement these programs with the cooperation of trade unions, welfare societies and the general public. For this purpose, action committees may be established in an appropriate manner to make this event a success.

04) Action may be taken to obtain necessary instructions and assistance from the health authorities of the area and local government institutions for this purpose.

05) Further, it is hereby requested to implement an appropriate program to destroy the breeding sites of mosquitoes that spread dengue within the office premises by way of launching shramadana campaigns in every week by reserving a suitable time.

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